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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to medical negligence in maternity services.

You asked:

- 1. How many medical negligence claims were made against the Trust in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021?*
- 2. How much compensation was paid out to claimants in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021?*
- 3. How many claims for medical negligence relating to maternity services were made in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021?*
- 4. How many baby deaths and birth injuries were recorded in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021?*

Trust response:

1, 2 & 3.

The response to your request is best confirmed by the NHS Resolution who manage negligence and other claims against the NHS in England on behalf of their member organisations.

The link to the NHS R website which holds a large amount of information on this subject is below:

www.resolution.nhs.uk

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Please note: We have included Baby Deaths after 28 weeks gestation (stillbirths) and neonatal deaths, but excluded late miscarriages (before 28 weeks)

As “Birth injuries” is a broad request and could include bruising following forceps, for example, we have used the definition of a diagnosis of brain injury.

Year	Stillbirths	NND	Total Baby Deaths	Birth Injuries - defined as diagnosis of HIE
2018	9	3	12	13
2019	16	3	19	12
2020	11	2	13	12
2021	18	5	23	8