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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 Stillbirth data.

You asked:

1. Annual stillbirth rates since 2010, finishing with the most recent data (per 100,000 and in real numbers if possible; i.e.: 55 stillbirths in 2021)
2. Annual perinatal mortality rates since 2010, finishing with the most recent data (per 100,000 and in real numbers if possible; i.e.: 55 perinatal deaths in 2021) Does the trust use the GAP protocol?
3. Finally, please indicate in your response which of the categories below best describes the facilities at your trust:
 - a. Level 3 NICU and neonatal surgery
 - b. Level 3 NICU
 - c. 4,000 or more births
 - d. 3,000 or more births
 - e. Less than 2,000 births

Trust response:

Please note we are unable to provide data prior to 2013.

1.

| Year | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Stillbirths | 20 | 16 | 22 | 19 | 18 | 7 | 16 | 11 | 17 |
| Births | 4878 | 5590 | 5700 | 5890 | 5883 | 6081 | 5634 | 5462 | 5941 |
| SB per 1000 | 4.1 | 2.9 | 3.9 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 1.15 | 2.8 | 2.0 | 2.9 |

2.

| Year | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Perinatal deaths | 21 | 17 | 24 | 24 | 23 | 9 | 19 | 12 | 21 |
| Births | 4878 | 5590 | 5700 | 5890 | 5883 | 6081 | 5634 | 5462 | 5941 |

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| per 1000 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 1.5 | 3.4 | 2.2 | 3.5 |
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The trust has used the GAP protocol since 2016

3. Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust has a Level 2 Neonatal Unit and 5,000 or more births per year.