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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 Interpreters in maternity.

You asked:

- 1. How many women in the maternity service were identified as needing an interpreter in financial year 2020/2021 and 2021/2022.*
- 2. How many face to face /telephone /video interpreter sessions were conducted in the maternity services (antenatal, labour, postnatal) in financial year 2020/2021 and 2021/2022.*
- 3. What was the annual spend on interpreter sessions in maternity services in financial year 2020/2021 and 2021/2022.*

Trust response:

1.

2020/2021- 577*

2021/2022 – 1063*

* This is based on the data which shows number of sessions. We are unable to filter down to see if one patient has had more than one session.

2. Maternity services include midwifery and the birthing centres at Maidstone Hospital and Crowborough.

20/21 – Face to Face - 6 sessions and telephone calls –571 sessions

21/22 – Face to Face 38 sessions and telephone calls - 1025 sessions

3. 20/21- £16,574.80 inc. VAT. 21/22 - £26,541.96 inc. VAT