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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 Pain relief options during labour.

You asked:

- 1. Whether the trust's maternity department offered remifentanyl as a pain relief option during labour in 2022-23*
- 2. If the trust did offer remifentanyl as a pain relief option during labour in 2022-23, if at any point this was not available and, if so and if possible to calculate, approximately how many days this was not available as an option for*
- 3. Whether the trust's maternity department offered Entonox as a pain relief option during labour in 2022-23*
- 4. If the trust did offer Entonox as a pain relief option during labour in 2022-23, if at any point this was not available and, if so and if possible to calculate, approximately how many days this was not available as an option for*
- 5. Whether the trust's maternity department offered sterile water injections as a pain relief option during labour in 2022-23*
- 6. If the trust did offer sterile water injections as a pain relief option during labour in 2022-23, if at any point this was not available and, if so and if possible to calculate, approximately how many days this was not available as an option for*

Trust response:

1. This is available as an option, but is not our opioid analgesia of choice (we prefer to use pethidine)
2. Always available
3. Yes

4. Always available
5. Yes
6. Always available