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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 Antenatal and Newborn Screening team provision.

*You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.
Please can you provide us with the following information for 2021-22 and 2023-23?*

1. *Is care recorded on paper or an IT system?*
2. *Pregnancy bookings?*
3. *Birth numbers?*
4. *Do you have a neonatal unit and if so is this level 1, 2 or 3?*
5. *What is the current uptake of screening for TR 13/18 and 21?*
6. *How many high chance Combined?*
7. *How many high chance Quads?*
8. *Does the screening coordinator provide all, the majority, or none of the counselling for high chance results? Who else supports this?*
9. *How many NIPT samples did you take?*
10. *Do you have a fetal medicine service?*
11. *How many hours/days per week? is a midwife or the screening midwife present during these consultations? If yes what is the banding?*
12. *How many NIPD samples did you take?*
13. *How many CVS did you perform?*
14. *How many amniocentesis did you perform?*
15. *How many feticide did you perform?*
16. *Number of termination of pregnancy for fetal abnormality?*
17. *Do you offer surgical termination and if so to what gestation? Do you offer medical termination? Does the screening coordinator provide hours/support for this?*
18. *Do you provide training for midwives on a mandatory day (how many hours) or how do you give updates to midwives?*

19. *Staff numbers, banding and hours within the antenatal and new-born team:*

Screening Coordinator

Deputy Screening Coordinator

20. *Any additional cover for fetal medicine or is this included within the Screening Coordinator's role?*

21. *Failsafe's: antenatal screening new-born bloodspot and new-born infant examination - do you have a failsafe officer and if so what is the banding/hours? If not who performs the failsafe?*

Trust response:

1. Patient records are stored on the trust system. The patient also has handled notes containing booking documents, admission summaries, scan reports and an AN sheet with details of all CMW appointments.

2. 2021-2022 – 6391, 2022-2023 - 6452

3. 2021- 2022 – 5817, 2022-2023 – 5781

4. Level 2

5. 2021-2022 – 95.8%, 2022-2023 – 96.3%

6. Combined? 2021-2022 – 102 combined / 2022-2023 - 134 combined

7. 2021-2022 – 12 quad / 2022-2023 – 11 quad

8. Screening coordinators provide all the counselling for this

9.

2021-2022 – total 68 NIPT

2022-2023 – total 118 NIPT

10. We have an in-house service with two scan clinics per week. (1pm-4.30pm on Mondays and 09am-11:30am on Thursdays)

11. We attend for these clinics to support – either band 7 or Band 6

12. None – patients are referred to tertiary centre

13. None – patients are referred to tertiary centre

14. None – patients are referred to tertiary centre

15. None – patients are referred to tertiary centre

16. This information is not held in a reportable format and would require the manual checking of several databases held by different areas within the Trust. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.

17. We offer surgical TOP until 13 weeks of pregnancy although the doctors agreeable to perform these is very limited. These patients are cared for on our gynae ward. Yes, we offer medical termination up to 16 weeks on our gynae ward and after 16 weeks on our delivery suite. The screening coordinator spends time arranging these terminations and commencing the medical TOP procedure (administration of MIFE). The rest of the patients' care is provided by the delivery suite team/bereavement team as an inpatient.

18. We provide monthly mandatory training lasting around 45 minutes. We also spend time teaching student midwives and new starters from our paediatric and obstetric teams.

19.

Screening Coordinator 37.5 hours – Band 7

Deputy Screening Coordinator 37.5 hours Band 6

20. We complete all the referrals to our tertiary centres and become the point of contact for the patient, ensuring that they receive correct appointments and are followed up after the appointments. We also attend a weekly MDT meeting with the tertiary unit to discuss all shared patients.

21. We have two admin support workers –

Band 4 failsafe officer – 37.5 hours

Band 3 screening support worker/failsafe – 26 hours