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Email only

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 17th July 2023 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Pregnancy and Miscarriage and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

FOI REQUEST:

Pregnancy and Miscarriage

- **How many early pregnancy units do you have within your health trust? Please can you provide the opening times of those early pregnancy units?**

2x early pregnancy units:

Mon-Fri 08:00- 17:00

Sat and Sun 08:00-14:00

- **Do you have any *dedicated* recurrent pregnancy-loss clinics or recurrent miscarriage clinics within your health trust? If so, please can you give the number of clinics you have?**

Yes, 1 clinic weekly across the Trust

- **Do you have any *dedicated* pregnancy-loss clinics or miscarriage clinics (i.e. for non recurring losses) within your health trust? If so, please can you give the number of clinics you have?**

No, these patients would be given an appointment in the early pregnancy clinic

- **How many recurrent miscarriages would an individual need to experience before being entitled to an investigation into the causes?**

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- **What mental health support do you offer for people affected by miscarriage?**

Counselling support offered to all patients who are affected by miscarriage by qualified bereavement counsellor (6 sessions)

Telephone number of wards to contact for support whilst within the service

Sign post to SANDS for support as well as miscarriage association leaflets and 4LOIUS

Garden of remembrance

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator