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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 7th June 2024 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 Fetal Cardiac Protocols and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

We have been advised to approach each of the acute trusts.

Our questions are;

When congenital heart defects are not identified during screening at the 20 week fetal anomaly scan

1. Does your trust currently retain the fetal cardiac views?

Yes, the Trust retains the cardiac views at anomaly scan.

2. Were fetal cardiac views retained in 2021 and 2022?

Yes

3. If views are currently retained, are these still images or video clips?

Still images

4. For how long has your trust had this fetal cardiac view retention policy?

The Trust follows NHS England guidelines. If you wish to contact NHS England in accordance with Section 16 of the Act (duty to provide advice and assistance) you can do so via the following address:

NHS England
NHS England
PO Box 16738
Redditch
B97 9PT

Email requests should be sent to england.contactus@nhs.net

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.cddffoi@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