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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 13th 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 Maternity Services at Low Newton and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

I would be grateful if you could provide the information for this request:

- 1. The total number of women recorded as accessing maternity services or receiving medical care relating to pregnancy whose postcode was recorded as DH1 5YA (HMP Low Newton) for each of the last 5 years (2019- 2023);**

Year	Total
2019	7
2020	<5
2021	6
2022	8
2023	<5

2. The total number of women who received a diagnosis of Gestational diabetes mellitus (SNOMED code 11687002 (Gestational diabetes mellitus (disorder)) in the MSD106 Diagnosis (Pregnancy) table) whose postcode was recorded as DH1 5YA (HMP Low Newton) for each of the last 5 years (2019- 2023)

Zero, DH1 5YA women had a diagnosis of gestational diabetes using the SNOMED code for the period Apr21-Dec23.

3. If possible for both 1 & 2 to be broken down by ethnicity

Please note, regards to exact numbers of patients broken down by ethnicity the Trust has withheld this information, as to disclose this information would breach one of the data protection principles contained in the Data Protection Act 2018 (which supplements the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which came into effect in May 2018) in that it would render it possible to identify the individuals. We do not believe that it would be fair to the individuals for their identities to be made public. We therefore believe that the exemption contained within section 40 of the Act is engaged.

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