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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 25 March 2021 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 obstetric patients and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. In the period 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2020 (3 full years), how many obstetric (Maternity) patients per year accessed PALS and what was the ethnic breakdown for those who accessed PALS?

During the time period specified 45 obstetric (Maternity) patients accessed PALS. An annual breakdown is as follows:

2018: 18
 2019: 12
 2020: 15

Please note, the PALS service does not record the ethnicity of patients who approach them.

2. What was the total number and ethnic breakdown for obstetric (Maternity) patients accessing the hospital in general (inpatients and outpatients) in the same time period?

Ethnic Group Description	2018	2019	2020
White - British	4257	4125	3949
White - Irish	11	7	3
White - Any Other Background	148	112	129

Mixed - White/Black Caribbean	7	8	4
Mixed - White/Black African	3	9	6
Mixed - White/Asian	2	5	3
Mixed-Any Other Mixed Background	12	9	11
Asian/British - Indian	15	18	20
Asian/British - Pakistani	9	5	4
Asian/British - Bangladeshi	13	11	17
Asian/British Any Other Background	15	12	16
Black/British Caribbean	3	3	5
Black/British African	17	4	6
Black/British Any Other Background	2	3	1
Chinese	11	21	8
Any Other Ethnic Group	49	67	60
Not stated/not given	281	293	306
Total	4855	4712	4548

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. I am sorry that I have not been able to provide all of the information you requested, however I hope that my explanation as to why this is not possible has been satisfactory. 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

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