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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 6th February 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 trauma protocols for pregnant patients attending ED and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. Does your hospital/trust have a trauma protocol for pregnant patients presenting in the Emergency Department with trauma?

Yes

2. If yes, could you please attach it with your response to this email?

Please see attached.

3. Which specialties are called for a trauma call in pregnant patients?

If the Trust received a pre-alert for a pregnant patient involved in a major trauma we would put out both a trauma call and an obstetric emergencies call. The trauma team bleep holders are: Surgical Registrar, Ortho SHO/Registrar, Emergency Anaesthetist, Paeds Registrar (although when the call goes out they will say adult or paed), X-Ray The obstetric emergencies bleep holders are: Obstetric Anaesthetist, Anaesthetic Nurse, Gynae Registrar and SHO, ward 8 co-ordinator and Consultant depending on the time of day.

4. Do you routinely call Obstetrics and Gynaecology as part of this initial trauma call?

If the patient is known to be pregnant yes.

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