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Email only

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### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information**

Thank you for your request for information received on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding the midwifery books. Specifically you requested information as follows:

**1. *Do the authority still use paper versions of the red book and green book for community midwifery and home health visiting?***

Answer: The Trust continue to issue a Red child health book, at the time of delivery. This book is provided by the Hospital Staff to parents, upon the birth of their baby. This is a paper record that is then used by the Community Midwifery and Health Visiting Service.

Health Visitors are not employees of the Trust, the service is provided by Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust. Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust should be the first point of contact for this information. If you wish to contact them in accordance with Section 16 of the Act (duty to provide advice and assistance) you can contact them via the following addresses:

Darlington 0-19 services  
Suite 6, the Beehive  
Lingfield Point  
Darlington, DL1 1YN

Or:

School Nursing Service  
Greencroft Centre  
1 Woodland Court  
Greencroft Industrial Park  
Stanley  
Durham  
DH9 7BF

**2. Do the authority use any electronic versions of the red book or green book?**

Answer: No, we do not currently use an electronic version.

**3. If so which products do they use and how much did they spend on this software in each of the last three financial years?**

Answer: Not applicable, please see above response.

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. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive  
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust  
Darlington Memorial Hospital  
Hollyhurst Road  
Darlington  
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If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF



County Durham  
and Darlington  
NHS Foundation Trust

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

**Joanna Tyrrell**  
**Freedom of Information Officer**