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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 20 February 2020 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 birth of a new-born child. Specifically you requested information as follows:

### ***List of all data***

***1) gathered and***

***2) recorded relevant to the newly born***

***a List of the categories/headings that any forms uses to record that data.***

***(if you believe and able to supply blank record sheets for efficacy then that is welcomed).***

***List of all recipients of gathered or recorded data or DNA samples/information***

***3) departments within the hospital***

***4) within NHS***

***and***

***5) any other company or institution private or public outside of NHS.***

*So for avoidance of misunderstanding - to put it in another way:*

*What and everything that is recorded for following the birthing of a child?*

*Recorded by whom (job title and department)?*

*And (the data in part or whole)*

*Shared or given to whom?*

*Within Hospital (by departments) and NHS and*

*Other third parties without NHS whether private, public or governmental or subsidiaries?*

*Any codes or abbreviations serial numbers used for or on the forms and meanings of (to assist the understanding of disclosed data)*

*Any and all matters relevant to DNA sampling and recording of the new born and as above the process thereof and list of recipients of that data.*

*If there are any time frames that such recordings of data must be completed by - then please include?*

*In effect the process with which the data is created, by whom, its flow and distribution/notification to ALL other recipients/bodies.*

*The Data also includes matters concerning DNA samples/ information and of such.*

***I do hope that by giving different variations of the request I have eliminated any possible misunderstanding.***

**County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust replies:**

Please see the attached table.

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  
DL3 6HX

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

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**