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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 18 August 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 Abortions, Births and Covid Vaccinations and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

- 1. Please can you provide me with the admission numbers for spontaneous and missed abortions in your hospital for the last 5 years and the current year so far?**

Year	Count
2016	600
2017	550
2018	620
2019	660
2020	345
2021	210

- 2. Of these admissions, how many of the mothers received one or more of the covid-19 injections ('vaccinated') in pregnancy and how many received none ('unvaccinated')?**

The vaccine status started to be recorded on the Nervecentre system in June 2021, since this time there have been 47 admissions, 44 with vaccinations status not recorded, one not vaccinated and 2 had received one vaccination.

- 3. Please provide the numbers of neonates (from birth up to 28 days) diagnosed with a congenital anomaly in your hospital for the last 5 years and the current year so far?**

Year	Count
2016	93
2017	88
2018	95
2019	75
2020	49
2021	24

- 4. Of these admissions, how many of the mothers received one or more of the covid-19 injections ('vaccinated') in pregnancy and how many received none ('unvaccinated')?**

Of the 2 babies admitted after the vaccination status started to be recorded, one had no status recorded against the mother and one was a diagnosis after the birth episode so the mother wasn't admitted to record their status.

- 5. Please provide the numbers of neonates (from birth up to 28 days) diagnosed with thrombocytopenia and coagulation disorders in your hospital for the last 5 years and the current year so far?**

Year	Count
2016	0
2017	0
2018	3
2019	1
2020	1
2021	2

- 6. Of these admissions, how many of the mothers received one or more of the covid-19 injections ('vaccinated') in pregnancy and how many received none ('unvaccinated')?**

The vaccination status of the mother for the one baby diagnosed after June 2021 was not recorded.

- 7. Please provide the numbers of neonates (from birth up to 28 days) delivered preterm (before 37 weeks of gestation) in your hospital for the last 5 years and the current year so far?**

Year	Count
2016	465
2017	358
2018	342
2019	342

Year	Count
2020	303
2021	176

8. Of these admissions, how many of the mothers received one or more of the covid-19 injections ('vaccinated') in pregnancy and how many received none ('unvaccinated')?

There were 50 premature births after the vaccination status started being recorded (June 21) of which there was 39 with the status not recorded for the mother, 10 not vaccinated and one who had received one dose.

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