



Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 07/05/18.

I am pleased to be able to provide you with the following information.

Q1) Please provide the name of your Trust(s) and the names of the Hospitals you run

Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust

Q2) Under the care of your Trust, how many women had a stillbirth from and including 37 weeks in the following years?

a)2014	4
b)2015	9
c)2016	5
d)2017	4

Q3) Of those that had a stillbirth in Q2, how many of those women were 40 weeks or more, in the following years?

a)2014	2
b)2015	4
c)2016	1
d)2017	2

Q4) Of those women who had had a stillbirth in Q2- How many were sent home from the Trust because they were considered to be in early stages of labour, in the following years?

a)2014	
b)2015	
c)2016	
d)2017	

The required information would be recorded in the individual patient's notes. To extract this information, would require a manual review of each medical record; this would not be feasible as the time required to carry out this task would exceed the 18 hours allowed for a FOI request.

Q5) Following each stillbirths noted in Q2, in the following years how many internal investigations into why the baby died were carried out?

a)2014	1
b)2015	5
c)2016	4
d)2017	4

All cases are discussed with a multi-disciplinary team to ascertain appropriate care.

Q6) *Following on from Q5, in 2017 only, please list how many times each of these was a contributing factor, concluded from **the** investigation*

a) poor staffing levels

b) lack of available beds

c) lack of experienced Dr or obstetrician

d) failure to notice vital signs of distress

e) other - (please specify)

Through thorough and further investigation I can confirm the points below did not contribute to the stillbirths in 2017.

Q7) *Do you have a bereavement suite in your Trust? If yes, how many?*

Yes, one

Q8) *Do you have Specialist Bereavement Midwife in your Trust? If yes, how many?*

Yes, two

Q9) *Does your Trust provide midwives with compulsory bereavement training?*

We see all new starters and have input on training days, for A & E also. It is part of the preceptorship programme for newly qualified midwives.