

## Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act Reference 2024.003 Released 4 April 2024

Thank you for your email dated 3 April 2024 requesting information regarding private maternity services.

Please find detailed below a summary of your original request together with our response.

## **Original request:**

How many patients paid for private maternity services via your trust in the calendar years 2012, 2016, 2018 and 2022, 2023? Please break this down by year and say whether the births were consultant led natural delivery or consultant led caesarean. Please also say how much money was raised by the trust for private maternity services in those years.

How many patients paid for a private room to stay in after birth via your trust in the calendar years 2012, 2016, 2018 and 2022, 2023?

Please break this down by year and also state the money made for the trust through this service in each of those years.

If you have any gueries regarding this request then please let me know. I am defining private maternity services as when a patient pays for their birth to be done privately and also any aftercare as part of a package. I know separately, that patients can just pay for a private room to stay in after giving birth, which is the focus of the second question.

For the first question in relation to money made, please can this figure include any additional that patients may have paid for beyond the package available - ie an extra stay in hospital or for anaesthetics intervention.

Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust is not commissioned to provide maternity services; therefore, we do not hold any information in relation to your request.

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