

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request concerning request Midwifery career Neonatal scientist.

The Trust can provide the following information:

- Firstly, I would like to ask if there are any substances that the midwife/ neonatal scientist come in contact with while working in the science laboratory, which might be classed as hazardous or non-hazardous materials and substances; my definition of a hazardous and non-hazardous materials and substances are that hazardous material are any items or agent (biological, chemical, physical) which has the potential to cause harm to humans; and non-hazardous are hazards that have no risk towards the user (technician).

Midwives do not work in the labs and so therefore aren't exposed to hazardous substances

- Secondly, I would also like to find out if there are any procedures (actions taken/ dealings) the midwife/neonatal scientist follow. Also I would like to learn if there are any information sources, such as procedural manuals which allow the midwife/neonatal scientist to deal with the lab materials safety.

N/A –as the Trust does not have any midwives working in this area.

- Thirdly, I would like to ask if there are any things that the midwife/ neonatal scientist don't like about their job. Also if the midwife or the neonatal scientist could change their career now what career would they change it to?

As this is not recorded information, it is not an appropriate question under the FOI ACT.

- Finally I would like to find out on average how much wage you get per year and what course you have to study in university in order to become a midwife / neonatal scientist.

BSc in Midwifery starting pay for a midwife at this Trust is £30,940

Biomedical Scientists are highly skilled laboratory workers who have multiple degrees in Science (BSc and MSc), starting salary is that of a Band 5 AfC. They do not work exclusively with neonatal samples but with all patient types.

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