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Dear Sir or Madam,

Ref: FOI 2889

Thank you for your recent follow-up queries relating to our FOI response.

Please refer to our response below.

- 1. Considering there were 2 Intrapartum baby deaths in the first 18 days of January this year. I find it hard to believe that there hasn't been any further deaths [Great if there hasn't] but I am suspicious. Would you be able to double check this for me please?**

The Trust can confirm that the figures provided in our previous response are true and accurate.

- 2. I am disappointed that you aren't able to give the amount [if any] of babies that have been left disabled because of a poor birth. Other hospitals previously did divulge that information when I requested it through an FOI. I'm not looking for names just figures please. If you could be so kind!**

The Trust does not have a robust clinical data field that supports this question completely. However we can confirm that there were no deaths over this period in relation to babies who were diagnosed with hypoxia at birth, for which we applied the clinical diagnosis of HIE 3 or above.

- 3. There is a vast comparison in [all] the stillbirths this year against what it shows for [10 years] in my previous FOI request. How can there have been that much of an improvement in Zero time?**

Since the publication of the saving babies lives care bundle earlier this year the maternity service have worked hard to implement a number of the recommendations. All mothers now have the mama academy antenatal wallets which informs mums about fetal movements. We have introduced CO (carbon monoxide) monitoring of all women antenatally along with an improved pathway for supporting those women who want to quit smoking. We have 2 fetal monitoring lead midwives to support the clinicians in clinical practice, with increased training.

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Yours sincerely

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