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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Request No: AD-IG-01(2)-2015-76

Key Word: Child Births

Subject: Child Births

Request: **Date Received:** 16/07/2015 **Date of Response:** 03/08/2015

Thank you for your request for information received 16 July 2015 and which was dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We would also inform you that Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS) Health and Social Care Trust has now completed its search for the information you requested and which is detailed below.

Question 1

The number of incidents attended by NIAS that involved the chief complaint of pregnancy/childbirth/miscarriage for 2013/14; 2014/15 and 01/04/2015 to 30/06/2015 broken down by Local Government District (LGD) the call was received from ie Omagh, Dungannon, Cookstown or Strabane LGD

Answer 1

Please refer to the attached excel spreadsheet 76_15_FOI and refer to Ans1 sheet. This sheet contains the chief complaint of pregnancy/childbirth/miscarriage and GP/Health Care Professional calls received with responses which relate to same. We have also provided the calls with responses to other chief complaints that noted in "What's the Problem" that the patient was also pregnant. For example, a road traffic collision and a female was noted to be pregnant.

Question 2

For the same period and data above, the number of incidents classified as miscarriage only or for calls stopped with "patient deceased" which could relate to either baby or mother.

Answer 2

Please refer to the attached Excel spreadsheet 76_15_FOI and refer to Ans2 sheet. We further investigated the chief complaints subsets to identify miscarriage/haemorrhage and/or complications with the mother or child. Please note these numbers will also be included in Answer 1 provided.

There are no records with call stopped reasons of "patient deceased" relating to either baby or mother. If a miscarriage has occurred, it would be the mother that would be the patient and potentially would travel to Hospital.

I hope the above and attached fully assists you. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible, or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter.



Please note that, under the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations, if you wish to publish or otherwise use this information besides for your own means, you will need to seek our permission to do so.

In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Finance and ICT Director, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS) HSC Trust, Site 30, Knockbracken Healthcare Park, Saintfield Road, Belfast, BT8 8SG.

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request, you may make a complaint under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the Trust has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act.

You can write to the Information Commissioner at:

Website: ni@ico.org.uk
Post: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE SK9 5AF
Telephone: 028 9027 8757 or 0303 123 1114 (Belfast based Office)

In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out. However the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion. Please be advised that NIAS replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ <http://www.niamb.co.uk>.

Personal details in respect of your request will have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Yours sincerely

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