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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Virtual wards for any maternity/obstetrics patients?

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
1. Does your trust use virtual wards for any maternity/obstetrics patients? If no please go to the last question (question 2).	No we do not have any maternity / obstetric patients seen in virtual clinics.			
1a. Is this provided internally (i.e. Trust versus private outsource), If outsourced which provider is responsible for delivering the virtual ward.	N/A			
1b. How long have you been providing or had provision for this virtual ward (months)?	N/A			
1c. If yes what obstetric/early pregnancy conditions do you currently use the virtual ward for:	N/A			
1d. Which diagnostic/monitoring tests do you provide as part of this service: • Pulse • Temperature • Blood pressure • Pulse Oximetry • Blood tests • Urinalysis • Symptom questionnaire • Fetal monitoring • IV fluids • IV medications • Oral Medications	N/A			
1e. Which categories of medications are administered : • Antihypertensives • Antiemetics • Analgesia • Other please specify: • None	N/A			
1f. What is the maximum frequency of monitoring provided?	N/A			
1g. On average how many times a day will monitoring occur?	N/A			
1h. Are abnormal results reviewed by the treating team or the virtual ward provider?	N/A			
1i. Is there a time limit of how long patients can stay within the virtual ward e.g. two weeks. If yes how long is the duration?	N/A			
1j. How is the virtual ward funded?	N/A			
2. If you currently do not provide a virtual ward for maternity/obstetrics patients do you have plans to implement them and if so when is this expected to go live?	We do not have nay current plans to provide any virtual clinics for maternity / obstetric patients			

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

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Yours faithfully

Information Governance Team

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