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I am responding to your request for information received 12th September 2019. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Information Governance Coordinator

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Request:

Cell salvage in obstetrics

We are looking at the use of autologous cell salvage in obstetric units and would be grateful if you could complete this questionnaire (the questions can be answered either directly within the email or by using the attached document):

1. Does your hospital have an obstetric unit?

- a. Yes
- b. No

2. What is the number of births per year in your obstetric unit?

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3. Do you use cell salvage in obstetrics?

- a. Yes
- b. No

4. In what situations is cell salvage used (tick any that apply)

- a. All caesarean sections
- b. category 1 caesarean section,
- c. category 2 caesarean section,
- d. category 3 caesarean section,
- e. category 4 caesarean section,
- f. caesarean section with high risk of haemorrhage,
- g. obstetric patients refusing blood transfusion,

5. What is the availability of cell salvage in your obstetric unit

- a. 24 hour,
- b. day-time only,
- c. depending on staff and/or equipment),

6. How many times per year over the last 5 years have you used cell salvage for collection only in your obstetric unit?

Year	Number of times CS used
2014	
2015	
2016	
2017	
2018	

7. How many times per year over the last 5 years have you used cell salvage for collection and reinfusion in your obstetric unit?

Year	Number of times CS used
2014	

2015	
2016	
2017	
2018	

8. Does your hospital obstetric unit have any concerns about using cell salvaged blood at caesarean section?
- a. Yes
 - b. No
9. If yes to question 6, do your concerns relate to any of the following (tick all that apply)
- a. Infection risk
 - b. Haemolytic disease in future pregnancy
 - c. Cost
 - d. Amniotic fluid embolism
 - e. Need for broad spectrum antibiotics
 - f. Availability of trained staff
 - g. Availability of equipment
 - h. Other (please state)

Answer - Questions 2 – 9:

The East London NHS Foundation Trust provides Mental Health and Community Services. Questions 2 – 9 are not applicable to the Trust.