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Dear

I am responding to your request for information received **1st July 2022**. 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,

Shuchi Joshi

Senior Information Governance Coordinator – Information Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request:



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- Question 1: How many bladder injuries sustained during childbirth were recorded in the last five years (2016 – 2021)**
- Question 2: How many organ injuries were recorded as a result of a caesarean (elective or emergency) in the last five years (2016 – 2021)**
- Question 3: How many anal sphincter injuries sustained during childbirth were recorded in the last five years (2016 – 2021)**
- Question 4: How many third grade or fourth grade tears sustained during childbirth were recorded in the last five years?**
- Question 5: Of these injuries, how many patients were referred to perinatal and pelvic health physiotherapy services?**
- Question 6: Of these injuries, how many patients were still being followed up for ongoing care after 2 years?**
- Question 7: Of these injuries, how many resulted in a serious incident investigation being raised?**
- Question 8: Of these injuries, how many were recorded as ‘never events’.**
- Question 9: Of these injuries, how many patients received Duty of Candour notifications.**
- Question 10: How many readmissions post-birth were recorded in the last five years related to bladder injuries?**
- Question 11: How many readmissions post-birth were recorded in the last five years related to anal sphincter injuries?**
- Question 12: How many readmissions post-birth were recorded in the last five years related to third grade or fourth grade tears sustained during childbirth?**

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—

- (a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
- (b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.

East London Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and does not provide services described in the questions above. Therefore, we cannot provide the information.