

12 May 2025

Our reference: FOI DA6006

I am responding to your request for information received 16 April 2025. 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,

Information Rights Coordinator

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:

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SK9 5AF

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Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request:

Question 1: Does East London NHS Foundation trust have specialist midwives dedicated to supporting women who use substances during the perinatal period?

If so, please provide any documentation available for these services, such as referral guidelines, service protocols, or links to relevant webpages or online resources.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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 NHS Foundation Trust does not employ midwives and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: Are there any other dedicated services within East London NHS Foundation trust that provide care to women who use or are in treatment for substances during the perinatal period?

Answer: The Trust does not have any dedicated services for substance misuse, but women in the perinatal phase can access support with substance misuse through the following services:

P2R in Bedfordshire.
Resolutions in Luton .
Turning Points and Reset in East London

Please provide details on the service, including:

Question 2a: Who leads the service and which professionals are involved in delivering the care.

Answer: P2R is a service within the Trust and Resolutions is provided by the Change, Grow, Live organisation.

Turning Points is a local provider in City and Hackney. Clinical teams also attend weekly clinical meetings to discuss service user needs.

Tower Hamlets has a borough wide partnership with RESET, which are a local provider to Tower Hamlets.

Question 2b: Whether this service is a partnership between:

- i. NHS**
- ii. Third sector organisations**
- iii. Local authority**
- iv. Other organisations**

Answer: The Service is a partnership between:
i. NHS – (P2R Bedfordshire).
ii. Third sector organisations (Resolutions Luton).
iii. Other organisations (Turning Points and Reset – East London).



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Question 2c: If applicable, whether the service involves a manualised intervention, is an outreach service, or has a specific location.

Answer: P2R Bedfordshire and Resolutions Luton both offer outreach in the community and have locations across Bedfordshire and Luton.

Question 2d: Whether the service is provided by a national organisation, or any other relevant details.

Answer: Not applicable.

Question 3: Please provide any documentation, guidelines, or protocols related to these services, and/or any relevant URLs.

Answer: Please see links below:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/services/path-2-recovery-p2r-bedford-borough>

<https://www.changegrowlive.org/resolutions-drug-alcohol-service-luton/victoria-street>



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