

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 12 October 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

1. Please tell me how many a) consultant obstetricians and b) anaesthetists are onsite in your maternity department between the hours of 10pm to 8am, Monday to Sunday?

Anaesthetists - One Anaesthetist on site for Obstetrics 24hrs and between 10pm and 8am. Second Anaesthetist to assist with emergencies onsite from ICU.

Obstetricians - There is one Consultant on-call who attends if required, no resident Consultant overnight.

2. Please tell me how many a) consultant obstetricians and b) anaesthetists are on-duty but not onsite between the hours of 10pm to 8am, Monday to Sunday?

Anaesthetists - One Consultant on-call from home between 10pm -8am

Obstetricians - There is one Consultant on-call who attends if required, no resident Consultant overnight.

3. Please tell me how many a) consultants obstetricians and b) anaesthetists are onsite on Saturday or Sunday, between the hours of 8am to 6pm?

Anaesthetists - One Anaesthetist on-site during weekends between 8am – 6pm. Consultant on-site from 8:30am till 1pm and then non-resident on-call.

Obstetricians - Consultant resident hours at 8am-2pm on Saturday and 8am-1pm on Sunday

4. Please state how many a) consultant obstetricians and b) anaesthetists are onsite between the hours of 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday?

Anaesthetists - 8am – 6pm Weekdays, One Consultant to cover Labour ward, One Consultant undertaking elective sections, One Junior available for Labour ward and takes over from Consultant from 6pm. On-Call Consultant onsite until 10pm.

Obstetricians - There are always a minimum of 4 Consultants present in the hospital 8am to 6pm Mon-Fri including the on-call Obstetric Consultant (the others are generally undertaking other clinical duties)

5. Please state the maximum distance on-duty consultant obstetricians and anaesthetists can live away from the hospital?

Anaesthetists - All Consultants should live within 18miles or 30mins from hospital, whichever is shorter. We have accommodation on site for consultants that live further away.

Obstetricians - All consultants should live within 18miles or 30mins from hospital, whichever is shorter. We have accommodation on site for consultants that live further away.

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom Of Information Co-ordinator
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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