

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 06 June 2022.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

1. In the Trust's written material, either external or internal, how are individuals who are pregnant referred to? e.g. As 'women', as 'pregnant people', as 'women and pregnant people' etc. Please provide this material or link(s) to it.

Currently, the terminology woman is used within patient information leaflets and guidelines.

2. If using any wording other than solely 'women', 'women and girls' or 'females', when and why was such terminology introduced?

To support inclusivity, we initially implemented the terminology birthing person, in addition to woman, into some maternity guidelines at the point of update, following this we held an engagement session including the MVP to review the use of terminology within maternity communications and to agree the terminology which will be used within all future maternity communication. This has not yet been formally agreed.

3. Since April 2020 (i.e. the start of the 2020-2021 financial year), how many births in total have taken place at the Trust (including home births if relevant)? Please stipulate by financial year, i.e. 2020-21, 2021-22, financial year 2022-23 to date this FOI request was received.

3336 (20-21), 3724 (21-22), 562 (1/4/22-31/5/22)

4. Since April 2020 (i.e. the start of the 2020-2021 financial year), how many births at the Trust (including home births if relevant) have been to individuals who do not identify as women? Please stipulate by financial year, i.e. 2020-21, 2021-22, and financial year 2022-23 to date this FOI request was received.

0 (20-21), 1 (21-22), 0 (22 to date)

5. Since April 2020 (i.e., the start of the 2020-2021 financial year), how many births at the Trust (including home births if relevant) have been to individuals who identify as men or as trans-men? Please stipulate by financial year, i.e. 2020-21, 2021-22, financial year 2022-23 to date this FOI request was received.

0 (20-21), 1 (21-22), 0 (22 to date) same individuals as in question 4

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

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

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