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REQUEST

Thank you for your response. I see you say that the Trust has never experienced any cases of FGM. So I would like to follow up on three things:

- You have not answered question 1, in regards to the training conducted by the Trust on the FGM legislation of 2003, if you could find out what training is provided that would be great.
- As you list no cases of FGM, may I ask whether you record cases of FGM only on individual case notes or on a central database using a dedicated clinical code?
- Due to the fact that the local area is an ethnically and culturally diverse area, the chances are that FGM cases have slipped through the cracks if they were not recorded centrally – could you possibly provide the non-FGM figures for the various questions as per the original FoI?

RESPONSE

1. The Medical Staff and Midwives have not received formal training on the FGM Act 2003 legislation, although they all have an obligation with their PREP requirements to keep themselves updated educationally.

From November 2014 our Maternity IT System will be able to record cases of FGM, previously we would document this information in Hospital Records.

As previously stated we have no record of women attending with FGM.

The population served by the Trust is located principally in the boroughs of St Helens and Knowsley. The percentage of the population from BME groups in each of these boroughs (source 2011 Census) is 3.4% and 2.8% respectively.

2a. 2012-13

- births (of all types) 3765
- births by elective caesarean 398
- births by emergency caesarean 541
- vaginal births 2411
- vaginal births using forceps or ventouse 415
- vaginal births involving de-infibulation – 0

2013-14

- i. births (of all types) 3678
- ii. ii. births by elective caesarean 410
- iii. births by emergency caesarean 455
- iv. vaginal births 2481
- v. vaginal births using forceps or ventouse 332
- vi. vaginal births involving de-infibulation – 0

2b.

- i. births (of all types) 830
- ii. births by elective caesarean 105
- iii. births by emergency caesarean 109
- iv. vaginal births 527
- v. vaginal births using forceps or ventouse 89
- vi. vaginal births involving de-infibulation 0