

Request title: Midwife Led Birth Units

Date of Response: 06th January 2017

Further to your Freedom of Information request, the Trust has answered your questions in the order they appear in your request.

Request

1. Does the Trust run a midwife-led unit for births either stand-alone or alongside. If so please specify which. If not please discount the rest of the questions as they are not relevant.
2. How many women started their deliveries at the midwife-led unit in 2015/16?
3. How many women started their deliveries at the Trust's consultant-led maternity units?
4. For women who started their deliveries at midwife-led unit, please state how many stillbirths occurred in 2015/16?
5. For women who initiated their deliveries at the consultant-led units, how many stillbirths occurred in 2015/16?
6. Of the deliveries which began in midwife-led units, please state how many serious untoward incidents occurred in 2015/16?
7. If possible please provide a list of the types of SUIs which occurred in question 6
8. Of the deliveries which were initiated in consultant led units, please state how many serious untoward incidents occurred in 2015/16
9. If possible please provide a list of the types of SUIs which occurred in question 8.
10. For births initiated in midwife-led units, please state how many
 - Resulted in haemorrhage
 - 4th degree tear
 - Trauma to baby that required extended stay (of a week or more) in hospital
11. For births initiated in consultant-led units please state how many
 - Resulted in haemorrhage
 - 4th degree tear
 - Trauma to baby that required extended stay (of a week or more) in hospital

Reply

1. The Trust has an alongside birth centre – opened in September 2010, covered by the integrated service initially and then fully staffed from September 2013. The Trust also has 3 freestanding birth centres, Tiverton, Okehampton and Honiton – these services transferred from the PCT in 2010 to the RD&E. Tiverton – 14 miles (25mins approx.) Okehampton – 24 miles (35minutes) Honiton - 22miles (30minutes) Exeter birth centre – same site
2. 993
3. 3134
4. 0
5. 10
6. 0
7. N/A
8. 4 in total, all unexpected term admissions to the Neonatal unit
9. All were unexpected term admissions to the Neonatal unit
10. We are only able to identify the outcomes of women delivered at the birth units and the outcomes, this does not capture all the transfers to the labour ward.

	Number of births 2015-16	Haemorrhage >1500ml	4th degree tear	Baby length of stay ≥7 days
Honiton	70	0	0	Less than 5
Tiverton	59	0	0	0
Okehampton	67	0	0	0
EBC	602	Less than 5	0	Less than 5
Total	798	Less than 5	0	Less than 5

11. We are only able to identify the outcomes of women delivered in the consultant unit the outcomes, this does not capture all the transfers to the labour ward.

	Number of births 2015-16	Haemorrhage >1500ml	4th degree tear	Baby length of stay ≥7 days
Total midwife-led	926	5	Less than 5	Less than 5
Consultant-led unit	3191	63	8	228