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Date: 11th November 2023

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 31st July 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Midwifery Red Flags

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 How many midwifery red flag events did the Trust record in 2022?

A1 From March 2022, the criteria for identifying midwifery red flags increased and therefore the numbers raised from March reflect a more accurate account of red flag events.

April 2022 to March 2023 (Financial year) there were 3,479 midwifery red flags recorded.

For note, from January 2022 to December 2022 there were 2,673 midwifery red flags recorded.

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours.

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