

16 August 2018

Dear

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**Re: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

**Ref no: CAS-03710-Z2Q2J7-CC**  
**CAS-03710-Z2Q2J7-ES**  
**CAS-03710-Z2Q2J7-NS**  
**CAS-03710-Z2Q2J7-SAS**  
**CAS-03710-Z2Q2J7-SOT**  
**CAS-03710-Z2Q2J7-SE**

Thank you for your correspondence dated 2 August 2018 making a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for information which may be held by NHS Cannock Chase Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), NHS East Staffordshire CCG, NHS North Staffordshire CCG, NHS Stafford and Surrounds CCG, NHS Stoke-on-Trent CCG and NHS South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula CCG.

**You requested the following information and our response is detailed below:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please could you kindly provide me with the following information for your CCG (or if you represent a CSU, for all the CCGs you are responsible for).

- How many babies (i.e) below the age of 1) were diagnosed with issues of ankylossia (tongue-tie) in each financial year since 2013/14.
- Of the babies diagnosed with issues of ankylossia (tongue-tie) in 2017 how many had a surgical procedure carried out by NHS surgeons to resolve these specific issues, and how long did they wait (on average, in calendar days) for the procedure following diagnosis?
- In 2017, what was the mean age of babies with such issues when the ankylossia (tongue-tie) procedure was performed?

**The CCG's do not hold this information, you may wish to redirect your request to the acute trusts that provide maternity services to Staffordshire patients via the following emails;**

- **University Hospital North Midlands NHS Trust - [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)**
- **University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (UHDBT) - [dhft.foi@nhs.net](mailto:dhft.foi@nhs.net)**
- **The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust - [rwh-tr.foi@nhs.net](mailto:rwh-tr.foi@nhs.net)**
- **Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust - [foi@walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk)**
- **The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust - [dqft.foi@nhs.net](mailto:dqft.foi@nhs.net)**
- **University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust (for Good Hope) [foi@uhb.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhb.nhs.uk)**
- **Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust - [foi@sssft.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@sssft.nhs.uk)**

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Yours sincerely



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