

FoI request re: Admissions due to Retained Products of Conception
Ref: 21-JE-0508

Thank you for your request for information relating to the number of women presented to the hospital with Retained Products of Conception (RPOC) after medically induced abortion.

Please find our responses below:

Request 1:

How many women presented to hospitals within of your Trust with Retained Products of Conception (RPOC) after medically induced abortion [also known as induced miscarriage or termination of pregnancy] for the 24 months starting 01 June 2019 to 31 May 2021, and 574

Request 2:

how many of them required evacuation of retained products (ERPC), [sometimes referred to as surgical management of miscarriage, SMM]. If possible, please can this information be broken down per month?

Months	Total ERPC
Jun-19	34
Jul-19	25
Aug-19	21
Sep-19	23
Oct-19	31
Nov-19	22
Dec-19	18
Jan-20	24
Feb-20	23
Mar-20	17
Apr-20	6
May-20	14
Jun-20	14
Jul-20	19
Aug-20	18
Sep-20	13
Oct-20	15
Nov-20	27
Dec-20	16
Jan-21	12
Feb-21	12
Mar-21	19
Apr-21	17

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Request 3:

Please tell us the threshold volume of bleeding required for coding and reporting of haemorrhage at your hospitals and

Postpartum Haemorrhage (PPH) is the most common form of major obstetric haemorrhage. The traditional definition of primary PPH is the loss of 500 ml or more of blood from the genital tract within 24 hours of the birth of a baby. RCOG Green Top Guideline, No 52. December 2016.

Request 4:

how many women have been treated within your hospitals with haemorrhage after starting a medically induced abortion (also known as induced miscarriage or termination of pregnancy) for each month over a 24 months period starting 01 June 2019 to 31 May 2021. ≤5

Please note that the trust's policy is not to provide patient or staff numbers, where the response is less than or equal to five (≤5) as it would potentially allow identification of the individual patient/staff and would therefore be personal data. The trust considers that release of that information would breach GDPR/DPA18 principles on the grounds that it would not be fair in all the circumstances. This information is therefore exempt under section 40 of the FOI Act 2000.

I hope you find this information useful. Please quote the above reference in any further communication on this matter.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me by email or at the address shown below.

Yours sincerely

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If you are dissatisfied with this response, Whittington Health operates a complaints procedure, details of which can be found below:

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Chief Operating Officer
Jenner Building

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