

16 January 2017

Our Ref: RFI 19143

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Number of Babies Born in the Trust with Drug Addictions in the Past 10
Years**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for the information relating to the above which you requested on 9 December 2016.

A response to request has been provided by the Woman & Acute Child Health Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to me at the address below.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

**L McAree (Miss)
Head of Information Governance &
Directorate Support**

Q1. *I would like to know how many babies have been born in the Trust with drug addictions in the past 10 years.*

A1. A total of 24 babies born in the last 10 years have been born with complications in the neonatal period, related to maternal drug use.

Please note this figure does not include alcohol use.

Q2. *What drugs were the babies born with an addictions to.*

A2. The information requested is not recorded on a central information system, therefore the Trust are unable to provide this information.