

12 March 2018

Our Ref: RFI 22777

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Information in Relation to Pseudomonas in Babies**

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 26 February 2018.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Hospital Services 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**

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Please tell me how many cases there have been where babies have contracted pseudomonas aeruginosa from hospitals within your Trust catchment area since February 2012 (or the longest time period possible to comply with cost and time exemptions). Please provide me the information in a Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet breakdown with the following columns for each case:

- ***Date pseudomonas aeruginosa case occurred;***
- ***What hospital it occurred in;***
- ***What ward it occurred in;***
- ***What age (or age band) the baby was;***
- ***Did the baby die as a result of the pseudomonas infection (yes/no)***

Ans. Since 2012 the Trust has had no babies recorded as having contracted pseudomonas aeruginosa infections.