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Dear

## INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

You asked:

- Do you provide medical abortion in hospital?
  - To what gestation? **11+/40 gestation but not encouraged after 10/40 gestation due to higher percentage of failure of the treatment**
- Do you provide surgical abortion under general anaesthetic?
  - To what gestation? **12/40 gestation**
- Do you provide surgical abortion under local anaesthetic (e.g. MVA)?
  - To what gestation? **7-8/40 gestation.**
- Do you offer surgical abortion to women with fetal anomalies diagnosed in the second trimester via the obstetric service?
  - To what gestation? **No it is medical management that is offered either via Swinley ward up to 16/40 gestation and above 16/40 gestation it is via Labour ward with referral to St Mary's Manchester if 21/40 and above gestation**
- If you do not provide all methods of abortion (medical, surgical under local and general), do you offer patients that choice and refer them to another provider? **N/A**
- Do you offer a full range of long acting contraception (i.e. implant, Mirena, IUCD) at the time of the surgical procedure? **Only the Mirena and IUCD as the Consultant isn't able to insert the implants.**

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- Is counselling from a trained counsellor available in clinic, before, during or after the termination? **We have two allocated slots per week on the Counsellor calendar but Marie Stopes International offer a telephone or face to face Counsellor service when the patient is booking for their clinic appointments. Under 16's have counselling prior to treatments**
- For follow up with medical abortion, do you offer telephone clinics, hospital visit or a choice? **Telephone and rescan clinic appointments**
- Do other providers offer abortions to your population? If so, who? **Marie Stopes International and British Pregnancy Advisory Service**

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I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



**Andrew Foster**

**Chief Executive**

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