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Date Received: 17th April 2025

Response Due: 20th May 2025

Date: 20th May 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 17th April 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold part of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

I would like to request the following information:

- 1. The number of babies (under 1 year old, including stillbirths if applicable) who died in your care between 1 January 2010 and the present day (or the most recent available year).**
219.

Reporting period: 01/01/2010 – 13/05/2025.

- 2. Of those deaths, how many cases involved an admission of failure to provide safe care or treatment by your Trust (whether through internal investigation, complaint outcomes, or legal claims)?**

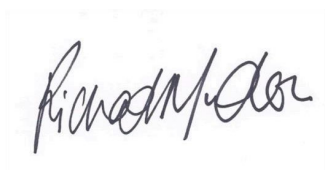
The Trust has settled 10 claims with an incident date after 01/01/2010 relating to infant deaths.

- 3. For those cases where a failure was admitted:**
 - a. Please provide the recorded ethnicity of each baby (or mother, if the baby's ethnicity is not recorded).**
The Trust's incident reporting system does not record ethnicity. Please redirect your question to NHS Resolution at <https://resolution.nhs.uk/information-requests/freedom-of-information/>
 - b. If possible, include any notes on contributing factors or root causes identified.**
The Trust's incident reporting system does not record this information. Please redirect your question to NHS Resolution at <https://resolution.nhs.uk/information-requests/freedom-of-information/>

If the full dataset is not available, please provide whatever portion is available, along with any relevant caveats.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Mundon', is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Richard Mundon
Deputy Chief Executive

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111