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Response Due: 10th June 2024

Date: 20th May 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 15th February 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. How many times each maternity ward in your trust had to close to new admissions during the financial year 2023/24, and the previous 3 financial years.

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Diverts	0	3	2	3

2. For each closure please to give the length of time (in Hours and Minutes) for the closure and the reason for the closure. Please include any instances where escalate to divert procedures were invoked, or similar (again listing the duration).

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Length of Divert		8 hours, 55 minutes	16 hours	11 hours
		6 hours	Not Recorded.	9 hours, 38 minutes
	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Reason for Divert		Short Term Sickness	Reduced Staffing	Short Term Sickness
		Short Term Sickness	High Acuity	Short Term Sickness
		Reduced Staffing	Not Recorded.	Short Term Sickness

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,

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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 Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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