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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference:** Social risk assessment within maternity services

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

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. Please accept our apologies for the delay.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
<p>1. Does your maternity service routinely collect and record data relating to social risk, however this may be termed locally (e.g. vulnerability, complex social factors, social needs)? (yes/no)</p> <p>• If yes to Q1: approximately how many women using your maternity services were identified as having at least one social risk factor in the financial year 2024/25, where such data are routinely recorded? If an exact figure is not readily available, an estimate or the most recent available figure would be helpful</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Based on a search criteria in Badgernet of women with social risk factors booked between 01/04/2024 and 31/03/2025 – 696</p>			
<p>2. Does your maternity service currently use the MatDAT (Maternity Disadvantage Assessment Tool), or any other standardised tool, to assess social risk in pregnancy/postnatally? (yes/no; if yes, please specify)</p>	<p>No</p>			
<p>3. At which points during maternity care are social risk assessments routinely completed or reviewed? (e.g. booking appointment, 28 weeks, admission for birth, postnatal care)</p>	<p>A risk assessment is completed at every contact as part of a holistic assessment but in terms of a formal risk assessment form on Badgernet this is completed antenatally at booking and at 28 weeks. and postnatally prior to discharge home.</p>			
<p>4. Which Electronic Patient Record (EPR) system is primarily used in your maternity service to document social risk? (e.g. Badgernet, K2, EPIC)</p>	<p>Badgernet</p>			

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email [sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net](mailto:sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net).

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Yours faithfully

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