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Subject: Private Maternity Services

## REQUEST

- 1. How many patients paid for private maternity services via your Trust in the calendar years 2012, 2016, 2018, 2022 and 2023? Please break this down by year and say whether the births were consultant led natural delivery or consultant led caesarean. Please also say how much money was raised by the Trust for private maternity services in those years.**
- 2. How many patients paid for a private room to stay in after birth via your Trust in the calendar years 2012, 2016, 2018, 2022 and 2023? Please break this down by year and also state the money made for the Trust through this service in each of those years.**

**I am defining private maternity services as when a patient pays for their birth to be done privately and also any aftercare as part of a package. I know separately that patients can just pay for a private room to stay in after giving birth, which is the focus of the second question.**

**For the first question in relation to money made, please can this figure include any additional that patients may have paid for beyond the package available i.e. an extra stay in hospital or for anaesthetics intervention.**

## RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

The Trust does not offer private maternity services.