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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Maternity ward closure and homebirths.

- 1. Number of occasion's maternity wards and/or services were closed for one hour or more.*
- 2. Number of women who requested a midwife's attendance at a planned home birth but where a midwife was not provided.*

Please supply the information for both the years 2014/5, 2015/6, and if possible 2016/7

1. The Trust have closed the Pembury site once in 2015 for 4 hours
Maidstone Birth Centre for a couple of hours in 2014/15
There has been no closure of Crowborough since the Trust took over management last year
2. The Trust have always supported a homebirth, this service has not been suspended in the year's requested