

**Freedom of Information Request****Ref: UHB 18-295**

Date 22 May 2018

By Email

Dear Sir

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

**1. Do you carry out NIPT testing?**

The Trust does not currently provide a Non-Invasive Prenatal Testing (NIPT) service. Please be advised that we are therefore unable to provide any information for the questions listed below.

- 2. Numbers of cases of Down's syndrome detected**
- 3. Numbers of invasive tests (probes, needles inserted into uterus, chorionic villus sampling)**
- 4. Numbers of miscarriages avoided**
- 5. Numbers of pregnancy outcomes**
- 6. Costs associated with implementation of NIPT**
- 7. Could we have a copy of your care pathway?**
- 8. Are tests undertaken in the first or second trimester?**
- 9. What resources are used e.g. separate areas designated for clinics, consumables, consultant, midwives & nursing time?**
- 10. Do you also cover patients outside of your catchment areas?**
- 11. What is included within governance and standard operating procedures?**
- 12. Are any other treatments provided? If yes please state what they are**
- 13. Why was the service set up? Is it part of maternity baseline activities or was there a business case? Can we have a copy?**

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, 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:

Trust Secretary  
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
Marlborough Street  
Bristol  
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely,

**FOI Administrator**