



Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 19-479

13 August 2019

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Request:

- How many ACUTE NHS Trusts in England have a Surrogacy Policy when dealing with pregnant patients which include Surrogates and intended parents
- Those Trusts that do, when it was last updated (month and year)? (As new essential guidelines was released in Feb 2018 and the take up appears to be small (which I want to help correct).

Response:

University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust does not have a local Surrogacy Policy but refers to national guidance. <https://www.gov.uk/legal-rights-when-using-surrogates-and-donors>

The Trust refers cases to Children and Young People Service (CYPS) for background checks on commissioning family.

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

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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

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