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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – PREGNANCY

I write in response to your request for information in relation to Intrahepatic Cholestasis of pregnancy.

Question:

- Please can you tell me how many Intrahepatic Cholestasis of Pregnancy cases were recorded in your health board for each of the last ten years.
- In addition, please can you tell me how many stillbirths were recorded where Intrahepatic Cholestasis of Pregnancy was the cause of the stillbirth, again for each of the last ten years.

Answer:

Count of UHPI Number Year	Obstetric Cholestasis Yes
2016	125
2017	143
2018	114
2019	97
2020	90
2021	113
2022	113
2023	97
2024	64
2025	36
Total	992
Please note Cholestasis is recorded as a reason for attendance at either Triage or DAU Stillbirth would not be a direct reason of Cholestasis This was based on Unique Pregnancy Number, so patient specific rather than appointment.	

I hope the information provided helps with your request. I am sorry I cannot help with you request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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