11th May 2016

Our Ref: FOI 2016-196
Dear Requester

Thank you for your information request received by us on 12th April 2016.
This request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please note that Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust merged with West Middlesex University Hospital in September 2015, for this reason our response covers both sites.

Our response:

1. The dates (day, month, year) that the following units temporarily closed their doors to new maternity patients from 1st April 2004 onwards (or the earliest date available, if this is later)
   (a) The Labour Ward from Chelsea and Westminster Hospital and (b) The Delivery Suite from West Middlesex University Hospital, Isleworth

   2013- December, 2015- June, 2015- September

2. The date (month, year) of the opening of The Natural Birth Centre from West Middlesex University Hospital, Isleworth and The Birthing Unit from Chelsea and Westminster Hospital

   The Natural Birth Centre -October 2009, The Birthing Unit- April 2015

3. The dates (day, month, year) that The Natural Birth Centre and The Birthing Unit temporarily closed their doors to new maternity patients from 1st April 2004 onwards (or the earliest date available, if this is later)

   Both sites have never been closed.

4. Bank/agency spend on midwifery staff for each month from April 2010 onwards (or the earliest date available, if this is later).

   Unfortunately The Trust is unable to provide the information you requested except for 2015. From April 2010 to December 2014, we need to provide Bank/agency spend on midwifery staff for 56 months of each hospital site. We need to check our records and breakdown on spending only for Bank/agency midwifery staff. This will be more than 18 hours limited by the FOI Act.

   Bank/agency spending on midwifery staff for each month of 2015 is available as below.
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<th>Month</th>
<th>Total Cost for Midwives Supplied by an Agency (£)</th>
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2. Write directly to:

   The Chief Executive  
   Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust  
   4 Verney House  
   1B Hollywood Road  
   London  
   SW10 9HS

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Yours sincerely

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