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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

**My FOI request is for all the hospitals in your trust with a Maternity Department / Service:**

- 1) a) **What growth chart do you use in your maternity department for fetal biometry including estimated fetal weight?**

The Trust use the World Health Organisation growth chart. For further information, please see the following link:

[The World Health Organization Fetal Growth Charts: A Multinational Longitudinal Study of Ultrasound Biometric Measurements and Estimated Fetal Weight - PubMed Kiserud et al. 2017.](#)

- b) **If this has changed since 2017, please include previous growth charts since 01/01/2017 in the answer.**

Previously Hadlock.

'Hadlock et al. In utero analysis of fetal growth: a sonographic weight standard. Radiology 1991;181(1):129-33'.

- **Please provide specific journal references, rather than the generic name of the chart i.e.- 'Hadlock et al. In utero analysis of fetal growth: a sonographic weight standard. Radiology 1991;181(1):129-33'. If any adaptations to the chart are used, please also provide the journal references to these i.e. 'Gardosi et al. Customised antenatal growth charts. Lancet 1992;339(8788):283-7'**

[Please see above.](#)

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If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours sincerely

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