

FOI REF: 25/684

16th October 2025

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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:

I would like to obtain the following information:

- 1) The number of surgical removals for a miscarriage under 20 weeks, known as Dilation and Evacuation, which took place in your trust in the past five years.**

Please see the table below for the number of surgical removals for a miscarriage under 20 weeks, for the period 1st October 2020 to 30th September 2025.

Period	Number of Procedures
1 October 2020 – 30 September 2021	203
1 October 2021 – 30 September 2022	229
1 October 2022 – 30 September 2023	247
1 October 2023 – 30 September 2024	279
1 October 2024 – 30 September 2025	258

- 2) The number of these surgeries which were sent for genetic testing.**

None.

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

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

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Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Wilmslow
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Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Yours sincerely

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