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Dear

**Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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- 1) Please state the number of babies that were injured during delivery when tools to assist in delivery were used, for example a vacuum extractor or forceps.**

**Please provide information for each of the following calendar years:**

- i) 2014 =0
- ii) 2015 =0
- iii) 2016 =1
- iv) 2017 to date =0

- 2) Of these babies injured, please provide a breakdown of injuries that they suffered. Please provide a summary of each incident, including the cause of the injury.**

**Please provide information for each of the following calendar years:**

- i) 2014 =0
- ii) 2015 =0
- iii) 2016 =1 – scalp incisions from the FBS blade required sutures post birth – different equipment and blade – communication breakdown identified as contributory factor – new packs withdrawn and replaced by original supplier
- iv) 2017 to date = 0

- 3) Please state the number of babies injured during delivery due to hospital error.**

**Please provide information for each of the following calendar years:**

- i) 2014 =0
- ii) 2015 =0
- iii) 2016 =0
- iv) 2017 to date =0

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If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely

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