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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

1. All documentation and correspondence regarding the establishment of commissioned abortion services between the Southern HSC Trust and the Northern Ireland Office.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Public Authorities are not obliged to comply with an information request where to do so would exceed the cost limit.

Unfortunately we are unable to provide the information you have requested as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. It has been estimated that it would take more than 18 hours to locate and retrieve the requested information. In order to obtain this information and it would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

If you are able to refine your request, so that it is more likely to fall under the cost limit, we will consider it again. Please contact us for advice and assistance on refining your request if required.

2. All documentation regarding the establishment of commissioned abortion services and correspondence between the Southern HSC Trust and the Dept. of Health (NI).

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3. All documentation regarding the establishment of commissioned abortion services and correspondence between the Southern HSC Trust and abortion providers, organisations and individuals.

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4. Following the Secretary of State's announcement on 27 April 2023 regarding 2023-24 Budget and contingency plans for governance, to outline details of the Southern HSC Trust's budget, ring-fenced funding for the commissioning of abortion services.

The Southern Health & Social Care Trust's Budget for commissioning of Abortion Services for 2023-2024 is £520,000.00.

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