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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 3961

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 25th July 2019.

Your request was as follows:

1) Do you allow private stem cell companies to promote their services on your sites, e.g. leaflets?

[The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust is a Specialist Neuroscience Tertiary Care Centre; we would not receive referrals to treat patients for the condition you have mentioned above.](#)

2) Do you allow representatives from stem cell companies on any of your sites to promote or collect cord blood, e.g. in delivery suites?

[N/A](#)

3) Does the Trust allow its staff to work for stem cell companies, e.g. collecting umbilical cord blood for private companies?

[The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust is a Specialist Neuroscience Tertiary Care Centre; we would not receive referrals to treat patients for the condition you have mentioned above.](#)

4) How long (how many minutes) does the Trust consider 'optimal' cord clamping?

[N/A](#)

5) Please supply the following information for each of the individual calendar years: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 to date:

a) The number of babies born whose umbilical cord blood was collected for banking by a private company.

[The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust is a Specialist Neuroscience Tertiary Care Centre; we do not have a Maternity Unit.](#)

b) The number of babies born whose umbilical cord blood was collected for banking by the NHS.

[N/A](#)

c) The income received from stem cell companies.

N/A

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 3961 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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