

FOI Reference Number: FOI/345/1920

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Request:

Dear Sir/madam

Please can I request information for the below questions regarding the provision of certain women's health services in your area:

- List of all practices (including address and postcode details) that are contracted to fit/offer an Internal Uterine System/Device (coil) fitting service
- How many IUS/Ds (coils) have each practice fitted/removed/reviewed/claimed for in the financial year 2018/19
- How much are contracted practices paid per IUS/IUD (coil) procedure (fit, remove, review or other) they currently contracted to pay per fit
- If fitting service is available how many insertions and removals have been undertaken in the last 12 months for each practice
- Does the practice have a bespoke clinic for IUS/D (coil) fitting or are appointments for IUS/D (coil) fits made as part of the routine appointment schedule or both
- Is there a waiting time for IUS/IUD (coil) fits at the practice and if so how long (less than 6 weeks, between 6 weeks - 6 months, or longer than 6 months)
- If a practice does not have its own fitting service, which practice/clinic/hospital do they refer the majority of their patients that require an IUS/D (coil) fit to (type, name, address and postcode) and how many do they refer
- Do they have someone within the practice who provides specialist contraceptive counselling and if so what is their role (doctor, nurse, healthcare assistant, healthcare visitor or other)

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 16/12/2019.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response to the information you requested in relation to women's health services.

Please note that in Northern Ireland district councils are not responsible for the provision of health care. Please contact the Northern Health and Social Care Trust who should be able to help you with your request.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/345/1920 in any future communications.

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

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.