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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 11th July 2019. Your request sought information relating to intravenous oxytocin infusion.

- 1 i) Please could you supply the dosage table for intravenous oxytocin infusion (It might be called Syntocinon.) from your Health Board's Induction of Labour (or Augmentation of Labour) policy (or policies)? If it was (they were) recently updated, please supply the previous one(s), also.**

Please see attached guideline on oxytocin use for induction of labour on the attached which includes the dosage table.

- ii) If named in the document, please give the make and model of infusion pump used on your labour ward. (If more than one is in use, please list them all.)**

The infusion pumps used would be: -
For Syringe infusions – BD, GH Plus
For Volumetric infusions – BD, GP Plus
For Patient Controlled Analgesia – BD, P5000

- 2) Please supply your month-by-month postpartum haemorrhage (PPH) statistics for last year, or, an average rate per month that includes all PPHs (i.e. over 500ml, over 1000ml and over 1500ml), whichever is easier.**

Blood loss	Number of women who sustained a PPH (by month)											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
≥500, <1000mls	100	98	101	96	110	99	99	100	116	94	117	104
≥1000, <1500mls	25	31	37	35	30	34	37	30	29	35	47	25
≥1500mls	24	17	17	16	14	27	19	20	26	17	11	18



3) How many units of blood or blood products were transfused to maternity patients during 2018?

Singleton Hospital

Red cells transfused between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 - 236 units
Fresh Frozen Plasma transfused between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 - 13 units
Platelets transfused between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 - 12 units
Fibrinogen administered (in grams) between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 -40 g

Princess of Wales Hospital

Red cells transfused between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 - 150 units
Fresh Frozen Plasma transfused between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 - 13 units
Platelets transfused between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 -3 units
Fibrinogen administered (in grams) between 01.01.18 and 31.12.18 - 8 g

4) What was the cost to your maternity service of blood and substitute blood products transfused during 2018?

The cost of blood, FTP and platelets comes from a central budget, via the Welsh blood service. Therefore the health board does not hold this information.

We do however hold costs in relation fibrinogen and this was £16,320 during 2018.

5) What was the total cost of transfusion services to your maternity unit(s), including unused products that had been ordered, in 2018?

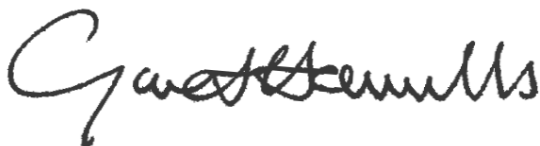
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Yours sincerely



On behalf of

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