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Subject: Babies & Start for Life Services

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
1. How many babies were born in your Integrated Care System from 1 April 2021 to 1 April 2023?	18,897
2. How many babies do you estimate there are aged 0-2 living in your Integrated Care System currently?	20,543
3. What proportion of them accessed Start for Life services during the period 1 April 2022 to 1 April 2023?	Bristol City Council - https://www.bristol.gov.uk/data-protection-foi/freedom-of-information-foi North Somerset Council - https://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/council-democracy/data-protection-freedom-information/freedom-information/about-freedom-information-foi South Gloucestershire Council - https://www.southglos.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/data-protection-and-freedom-of-information/making-a-freedom-of-information-request/

The Family Hubs and Start for Life programme guide states that 10% of babies have a ‘disorganised’ attachment style which is associated with the worst developmental outcomes. (see Annex I: perinatal mental health and parent–infant relationship support on p81)

4. What percentage of babies aged 0-2 in your Integrated Care System are you commissioning specialised parent-infant relationship services for?

i.e. a clinical psychologist or child psychotherapist led service, as outlined here:

<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fparentinfantfoundation.org.uk%2Four-work%2Fwhat-is-a-parent-infant-team%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cbnssg.foi%40nhs.net%7C7e0250c1dba64e257a3908dc1828ede6%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638411811269504182%7CUnkn own%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=g1S0I8XaSK%2B7D8C76Hg5KA4fgXJ3m7fcpW0s9bXV4kQ%3D&reserved=0>

NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board’s commissioned Children’s Community Health Partnership contract does not have a service solely dedicated to parent-infant relationships, but has several services that deliver provision which support parent-infant relationships. These are:

- Public Health Nursing 0-19 Service
- Children’s Community Nursing and Psychology Service

Public Health Nursing has a universal service offer which is accessible to all families, with additional levels of service offer that can be accessed for particular needs as required or when ongoing support it needed. Examples of areas of the service which support the parent-infant relationship include the home visiting service, family hubs and infant feeding support.

The Children’s Community Nursing and Psychology Service is accessed via referral, so while the service is part of BNSSG’s commissioned Children’s Community Health Partnership contract it is not a service that every 0-2 year old would necessarily receive support from.

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 8 February 2024 and has been approved for release by Dave Jarrett, Chief Delivery Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.