

**Reference: FOI.ICB-2425/077**

**Subject: Fetal Cardiac View Retention Protocols**

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

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>We are aware of the NHS England FASP 20 week scan guidance document. “<i>There is no requirement to archive images of the fetal cardiac protocol views</i>”. However, we are aware there is disparity amongst NHS hospital trusts nationally when congenital heart defects are not identified at this scan. We understand some hospital trusts don’t retain fetal cardiac images, some do, and some retain video clips, and some retain both. There doesn’t seem to be any consistency.</p> <p>We have been advised by NHS England that they do not hold the following information as it is “granular”. We have been advised to approach each of the ICS/ICB’s in England. We’ve been advised the regional CHD networks also do not hold the information.</p>	
1. Which hospital trusts within your ICS perform antenatal screening, including the 20 week fetal anomaly scan?	University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust (UHBW), and North Bristol NHS Trust (NBT).
2. When congenital heart defects <u>are not</u> identified during screening at the 20 week fetal anomaly scan; a) Which hospital trusts within your ICS <u>do not</u> retain the fetal cardiac views? b) For how long has each hospital trust within your ICS not retained the fetal cardiac views?	<p>The ICB does not hold this information. We advise you to contact the hospital trusts directly, contact details can be found via the following links:</p> <p><a href="https://www.uhbw.nhs.uk/p/how-we-use-your-data/freedom-of-information-foi-requests">https://www.uhbw.nhs.uk/p/how-we-use-your-data/freedom-of-information-foi-requests</a></p>

<p>3. When congenital heart defects <u>are not</u> identified during screening at the 20 week fetal anomaly scan;</p> <p>a) Which hospitals trusts within your ICS <u>do</u> retain the fetal cardiac views?</p> <p>b) For how long has each hospital trust within your ICS retained the fetal cardiac views?</p> <p>c) Concerning the trusts which <u>do</u> currently retain cardiac views when congenital heart defects are not identified, please clarify whether these trusts retain still images or video clips or both.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.nbt.nhs.uk/about-us/information-governance/freedom-information/request-information">https://www.nbt.nhs.uk/about-us/information-governance/freedom-information/request-information</a></p>
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***The information provided in this response is accurate as of 4 June 2024 and has been approved for release by Sarah Truelove, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.***