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Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which was received within the Trust. In accordance with S.1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA),

I can confirm that we do hold the information relevant to your request. FOI 178

Response for Luton and Dunstable University Hospital & Bedford Hospital Below

Please can you kindly provide me with figures to confirm:

- (i) the number of instances of charges,
- (ii) the level of associated debt charged at (i) and, if possible,
- (iii) the amount recovered against the debt charged at
- (i) since October 2017 for individuals who have been charged for maternity health care provision under The National Health Service Act 2006, the NHS (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Regulations 2015 and NHS (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Amendment) Regulations 2017.

Maternity	Number of invoices	Cost of Invoices	Costs Recovered
	raised		
		£	£
2017/18	105	70,370	26,037
2018/19	75	139,630	46,078
2019/20	58	17,050	4,774

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Yours sincerely,

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