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Dear Ms Hocking

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 5175 Miscarriage Care and Aftercare

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Request which we received on 15 February 2019.

- Q1 What is the process for those who are at high risk of baby loss or miscarriage loss?
- All care provided to women is individualised. Clinical and social risk assessment are carried out at each antenatal care provision episode.
- Q2 What guidelines does the NHS in Scotland follow for baby loss/miscarriage for those under 24 weeks gestation?
- A2 Please refer to the attached guidance "Early Pregnancy Clinic Guidelines".
- Q3 What is the aftercare treatment plan for miscarriages and baby loss before 24 weeks gestation?
- A3 Aftercare will depend on the reason for pregnancy loss and the clinical and emotional condition of the woman. Aftercare can include both clinical and bereavement care and is individualised to patient need
- Q4 What treatments, tests or care is advised for those with a high risk of miscarriage before 24 weeks?
- A4 Please refer to the attached guidance "Early Pregnancy Clinic Guidelines".
- Q5 Any further guidelines for ladies who are high risk for miscarriage?
- A5 Please refer to the attached guidance "Early Pregnancy Clinic Guidelines".

I hope this information is helpful to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 01592 643355 ext 28977 or email <u>fife-uhb.foirequestfife@nhs.net</u> if we can be of further assistance.

If, however, you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request you can ask us to review the handling of your request. Please write to me specifying the reasons why you are seeking a review within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence. I shall











arrange for a review to be carried out and a report made to the Chief Executive of NHS Fife who will respond to your request for a review.

You also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner after the immediate response from us or after our response to your request for a review but you have to do so within 6 months of our reply.

Contact details are below:

Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road St Andrews Fife KY16 9DS http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/

Please acknowledge receipt of this email.

Yours sincerely

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