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You asked

1) Please provide the name of your Trust

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust

2) Do you have a contract with Bounty, whose representatives hand out 'Bounty Packs' to new mothers on maternity wards?

There is no record of a contract on the Trust's central contract database. Bounty UK Ltd.

The Trust did receive income from Bounty and these figures are provided below.

3) If you answered YES to Question 2, how much money did your trust receive from Bounty in the financial years;

a) 2015/16 = £841.06

b) 2016/17 = £1,410.39

c) 2017/18 = £1,035.32

4) Please explain how the payment from Bounty is calculated (ie a pre-agreed figure, or a set payment per child born in your care)

The patients in receipt of the Bounty Bag complete a form which is given to the Bounty Representative on site; this enables the Company to pay per bag distributed.

For context: In 2014, management within maternity made the decision that Bounty representatives could not visit patient bedsides. We know most women like to receive the Bounty bags and therefore Bounty representatives drop off bags on Labour ward and on the postnatal ward, the Bounty representative appears at the same time each day and sits in a discharge lounge for women to approach her for a bag should they so wish.

5) How many babies were born in your care during the financial years;

a) 2015/16 = 4570

b) 2016/17 = 4180

c) 2017/18 = 4166

These figures will include babies born at home under our care, as well as those born within the hospital. These figures also account for all livebirths, as well as stillbirths where the gestation period was estimated to be 24 weeks and above, as these are considered nationally to be registerable births.

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