

**I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000. Please see below a request for the following information relating to tongue tie in babies aged 0-12 months.**

- **How many babies were born within your trust between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**  
5,359.
- **How many babies were diagnosed with ankyloglossia (tongue tie) between Jan1st 2022 and December 31 2022 at your trust?**  
10.
- **On average how many days after birth was a tongue tie diagnosis made between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**  
The Health Board does not hold this data.
- **How many babies diagnosed with tongue tie were referred for a frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**  
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- **Is the frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) available to babies who are fully formula fed?**  
No.
- **How many frenotomy procedures (tongue tie division) were carried out on babies at your trust between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**  
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- **What was the average waiting time in days between diagnosis/ referral and a frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**  
7 to 14 days.
- **How many women had to wait 3 weeks or longer after a referral for a frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) or their baby between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**  
Zero.

- **How many women waited more than 6 weeks, 8 weeks, 12 weeks and 16 weeks or longer for a frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) for their baby between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**

Zero.

- **What is the longest amount of time a women had to wait after a referral for a frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) for their baby between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**

2 weeks.

- **If there is no tongue tie division service in your trust how many referrals were made to an alternative NHS Service for tongue toe division?**

Not applicable.

- **How many women declined the offer of a frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) within the NHS between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022?**

Zero.

- **Of the women who declined the offer of a frenotomy procedure (tongue tie division) within the NHS between Jan 1st 2022 and December 31st 2022 are you aware how many sought treatment privately instead?**

No.