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*1. How many claims of clinical negligence have been brought against the trust in relation to maternity units and birth centres? Please give the figures for:*

- a) Maternity Units in 2009*
- b) Birth Centres in 2009*
- c) Maternity Units in 2010*
- d) Birth Centres in 2010*

*2. How many of these claims of clinical negligence were successful? Please give the figures for:*

- a) Maternity Units in 2009*
- b) Birth Centres in 2009*
- c) Maternity Units in 2010*
- d) Birth Centres in 2010*

*3. How much has the trust paid out to successful claimants over clinical negligence in relation to maternity units and birth centres? Please give the figures for:*

- a) Maternity Units in 2009*
- b) Birth Centres in 2009*
- c) Maternity Units in 2010*
- d) Birth Centres in 2010*

The NHS Litigation Authority (NHSLA) handles legal claims on behalf of all NHS bodies in England. It operates a clinical risk-pooling scheme for NHS organisations. The Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts (CNST) provides indemnity cover for clinical negligence claims in relation to claims occurring after 1 April 1995.

Information concerning the claims and the costs paid out by the NHSLA on behalf of this Trust is available within fact sheet 5 on the NHSLA website:

<http://www.nhsla.com/Claims/>. The Trust pays an annual contribution to the NHSLA CNST risk pooling scheme and the NHSLA then pays the cost of managing claims through to resolution.