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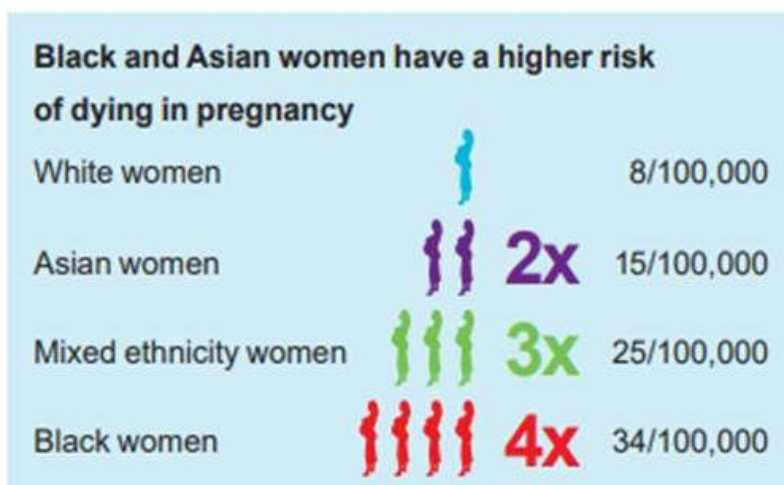
I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 230440.

You requested the following information. Please also see our response below.

The lack of action and guidance from the Government has led to several NHS Trusts introducing their own measures to address maternal health disparities, such as establishing a taskforce or introducing additional training for maternity care staff. I would therefore like to enquire as to whether your trust has plans to introduce measures to tackle racial disparities in maternity care, and if so, what these plans may entail.

We have purchased two dark skin tone birthing mannequins and these are used in our maternity care training. Racial disparities are discussed both formally as part of face-to-face training and in the pre-hospital prompt training SECamb delivers monthly. Staff download translation apps to assist in breaking down barriers and demonstrating holistic individualised care. This is a relatively new way of working for the ambulance service and it has been demonstrated to have a positive impact.

We are using the FIVEXMORE work to demonstrate the above.



I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Coordinator
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