

Freedom of Information Act Request Letter

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Gorka Garcia-Maléne, FOIA Officer
National Institute of Health
9000 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, Maryland 20892

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Maléne,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request records containing the following information be released for my obtainment or inspection:

In 2022, how many infants were born dependent on substances due to substance abuse during prenatal stages? How many infants suffered from birth defects due to substance abuse during prenatal stages? Which state holds the highest number of infant fatality due to substances abuse during prenatal stages?

As an advocate for the health of pregnant women and their children (and/or unborn), I will use this information to shed light on the consequences drugs have on innocent lives. Reiterating my intentions, the material in said records will be used strictly for personal and educational purposes. Said records will not be sought or used for commercial purposes.

Please contact me with an update if access to said records will be delayed for any reason.

If fees are required for the release of said records, I am prepared to pay up to \$100.00. If the fee will exceed this amount, please notify me before processing my request. I am also requesting a waiver to relinquish this fee as the information sought is intended to benefit the public.

If for any reason my requests are denied in part or in full, please cite each specific exemption that you (or your department) feel rationalize the refusal of release. I would also like to be informed of the appeal procedures that apply to me under law.

Thank you for your considering my request.

Kindest Regards,

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