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**Subject: Officially registered homes/institutions etc regarding adoption/ fostering**

**Question 1:**

I would be very grateful if you would please supply details of all private/religious/secular/state/charitable agencies/agents/organisations/homes/institutions/refuges/hostels that you have on record and as formally/officially registered and monitored and worked with in a social service capacity regarding adoptions, fostering/boarding-out, nursed-out (for reward) and all indexes relating to records/files held relating to the same matters between 1922 and 2000. These actors would be registered, monitored, co-operated under varying legislations within N.Ireland over the period stated including the multiple Adoption, Maternity Homes and Children and Young Persons Acts.

**Response:**

We do not centrally hold this information and there would be no way of accessing this or responding to this request. The time period as identified on the FOI request 26041 predates the existence of the Belfast Trust. The Trust is however, aware of a number of facilities that were historically located in the greater Belfast area that were the subject of investigations as published in the *Research Report on Mother and Baby Homes and Magdalene Laundries in Northern Ireland (January 2021)*.

These are;

**Individual Institutions (Mother and Baby Homes and Workhouses)**

- Marianville located on Ormeau Road, Belfast
- Mater Dei located on Antrim Road, Belfast
- Thorndale House (Salvation Army), located on Antrim Road, Belfast
- Kennedy House, located on Crumlin Road, Belfast
- Hopedene, located on Dundela Avenue, Belfast
- Belfast Midnight Mission / Rescue and Maternity Home, located on Malone Place, Belfast
  
- Good Shepherd St Mary's Home/ Laundry, Belfast
- Thorndale Industrial Home, Belfast

**NB the above information is taken from the Research Report and not from held information within the Belfast HSC Trust**

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We would suggest that you contact RQIA as this agency may hold, or have archived information from the time that Registration and Inspection may have monitored Homes and facilities. This may be an avenue to source some of the information in respect of registered institutions that the requestor requires.