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Requested:

In relation to your IR(ME)R Employer's Procedure please can the following be disclosed:

1. What year was 'Chestfeeding' added to the terminology used?
2. What contributed to the adoption of this term? E.g regulations / Trust policy etc

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that all references to breastfeeding were replaced with chestfeeding in 2023.
2. The UHB confirms that the adoption took place following the release of the Society of Radiographers' guidance on gender specific language. Additionally, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales recommended in the 'Ionising Radiation (Medical Exposure) Regulations (IRMER) inspection report' to remove gender specific language from all written control documents.