

Freedom of Information Request – 4048

I would like to request the following information under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. I am looking for information relating to Children’s Services only.

1. **Do you have an assessment unit or short stay unit within your Trust?**
Yes
2. **What is the maximum length of stay for children on your assessment or short stay unit before they are moved to an inpatient bed?**
Officially 4 hours, but this can be changed dependent on child’s condition.
3. **How many beds do you have within your assessment unit or short stay unit?**
A bay of 4 beds plus side rooms if needed
4. **How many registered nurses are allocated to work in this area on any shift? How many are band 5’s? How many are band 6’s?**
The PAU bay is based on the inpatient ward. 1 nurse(band 5/ or 6) for the bay.
5. **How many HCAs are allocated to work in this area on any shift?**
We do not have HCA’s we have NVQ level 3 nursery nurses. 2 per shift
6. **Do you have staff that work only within the assessment unit or short stay unit?**
No
7. **How many Advanced Nurse Practitioners (ANP) work within Children’s Services?**
Currently we have 5, soon to be 6 in paediatric ward, PAU, Neonatal and covering maternity and 1 in paediatric A&E.
8. **How many ANPs work within A&E? On the ward? Within the assessment unit or short stay unit?**
As question 7
9. **Do you operate nurse led discharges from your assessment unit or short stay unit? If you do, what band are nurses that discharge? Do they receive additional training to be able to discharge?**
No we do not have nurse led discharge
10. **Do you have a policy and/or SOP for your assessment unit or short stay unit? If you do can you provide me with a copy.**
Yes – see attached.
11. **Do you have a named consultant, registrar or ANP that takes lead over your assessment unit?**
Yes
12. **How many in-patients do you have per year, for the last 4 years?**

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
2014	325	317	382	375	360	316	360	271	318	394	390	370	4178
2015	333	318	352	324	320	336	316	307	295	360	431	398	4090
2016	323	370	385	348	386	400	358	346	336	362	344	381	4339
2017	330	338	333	278	321	316	327	280	312	350	319	381	3885

13. Have you trained any staff nurses up to ANP? Have you funded their training and/or given them protected time for study?

Yes we have and are currently doing so. They get 50/50 time to study. Money provided by our Education department.

14. Can you provide a copy of your job description for ANPs working in Children's Services.

Please see attached job description