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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 19 December 2016 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding Childrens services. Specifically you asked for:

1. *How many registered children's nurses (Whole Time Equivalent) are employed at your organisation? Please list by clinical area.*

Answer: Paediatric IP 70.85
Neonates IP 20.84
Outpatients Dept 3.0
Emergency Dept 4.0

2. *How many support workers (Whole Time Equivalent, bands 1-4) are working in your children's service? Please list by clinical area?*

Answer: Paediatric IP 17.55
Outpatients Dept 5.0

3. *How many nurses (Whole Time Equivalent) deliver your community children's nursing service? Please list by clinical area?*

Answer: 10

4. *How many clinical specialist children's nurses do you have in your service? Please list their clinical specialisms, e.g. 1x haematology; 2x epilepsy?*

Answer: Epilepsy 1.4

Allergy/respiratory 2.0
Dermatology 0.5
Diabetes 4.5

5. How many advanced neonatal nurse practitioners do you have in your service?

Answer: 0

6. How many advanced paediatric nurse practitioners do you have in your service?

Answer: 5.0

7. Do you have transition (children's to adults' services) nursing roles? If yes, how many? Do any have clinical specialisms? If so, please list their clinical specialisms, e.g. 1x haematology; 2x epilepsy.

Answer: No

8. Do you employ a play specialist?

Answer: Yes

9. How many inpatient beds are there designated for children and young people? Please provide a number against the following and list by clinical area:

- a. Neonates: 24
- b. Children's: 48
- c. Adolescents: 0

10. What were the key gaps in knowledge and skills within the children's nursing workforce identified by your most recent Training Needs Analysis or courses commissioned through Non-Medical Education and Training (NMET)?

Answer: Community nursing skills
High dependency skills
Neonatal Qualified In Speciality

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Hollyhurst Road
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If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

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Freedom of Information Officer