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Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 19 March 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following:-

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?**
   At present we do not have a max length of stay, ideally no more than 6 hours

3. **How many beds do you have within your assessment unit or short stay unit?**
   9 beds

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?**
   3 trained RSCN 3x band 5's or 1x band 6 and 2 band 5's

5. **How many HCAs are allocated to work in this area on any shift?**
   1 HCA per shift

6. **Do you have staff that work only within the assessment unit or short stay unit?**
   All staff are rotated between the unit and the inpatient ward

7. **How many Advanced Nurse Practioners (ANP) work within Children's Services?**
   None

8. **How many ANPs work within A&E? On the ward? Within the assessment unit or short stay unit?**
   None on the paediatric units, one in A&E

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?**
   Yes, Band 5 and above can discharge, no extra training in place at present

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 please find attached

11. **Do you have a named consultant, register 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?**

Please note if a patient had more than one admission within this period, they would be counted more than once.

Ward 4		Ward 5		Total
Period	Number of Inpatients	Period	Number of Inpatients	
2014	5178	2014	613	5791
2015	5604	2015	655	6259
2016	6078	2016	501	6579
2017	6149	2017	647	6796

13. **Have you trained any staff nurses up to ANP? Have you funded their training and/or given them protected time for study?**
No

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

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Yours sincerely,

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For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust