

***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 27 January 2022.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

**1. What specialist palliative care services are provided by the trust for the financial year 2021-22?**

MKUH NHS FT provides specialist medical and nursing palliative care to patients at MKUH. The services are provided by consultants and specialist nurses. End of life care is provided by ward staffs with advice and support from the Specialist palliative care team when requested after a person is recognised as dying.

**2. How many of the following specialist palliative care professionals are employed/funded by the trust for the financial year 2021-22?**

- **Consultants in Palliative Medicine**  
1.2 WTE Consultants – one at MKUH, and one shared with Willen Hospice
- **GPs with a specialism in palliative care**  
None at MKUH NHS FT
- **Specialist Nurses employed as a clinical nurse specialist or a consultant nurse in palliative care**  
**Lead Nurse Palliative and End of Life Care**  
1.0 WTE band 8  
Macmillan Palliative Care Advanced Nurse Practitioner 2.8 WTE band 7  
Palliative Care Discharge Clinical Nurse Specialist 1.2 WTE band 6
- **Allied health professionals**  
None directly employed as part of the Palliative care team

**3. How many specialist palliative care beds are provided by the CCG for the financial year 2021-22 in the following settings?**

- **In hospitals** – No specialist palliative care beds in MKUH NHS FT
- **In hospices** – The BLMK ICS can answer this; for MK specific ask Willen Hospice
- **In nursing homes** - The BLMK ICS can answer this
- **In another facility** - The BLMK ICS can answer this

**4. During the financial year 2021-22, how many visits have been made by specialist palliative care professionals employed/funded by the trust to patients who died at home?**

No visits made to home by MKUH Palliative care team who cover the Trust Inpatients only and as the community services are provided by Willen Hospice, and CNWL.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator  
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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