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Subject: Staffing Levels in Trauma & Orthopaedics

Please note, all questions are applicable to Trauma & Orthopaedics only. Where staff numbers are requested, answers should represent the number of full-time equivalent staff. This is a snapshot audit and so please can your answers represent your department on 1st November 2022.

Q1 What is Your Hospital Trauma Status?
a. Level 1 - Major Trauma Centre
b. Level 2 - Trauma Unit
c. Level 3 - Local Emergency Hospital
d. Other

A1 Level 1 - Major Trauma Centre

Q2 Admissions accepted under your T&O department?
a. Polytrauma
b. Head Injuries
c. Spinal Injuries
d. Paediatrics

A2 We accept Polytrauma and Spinal Injuries under our T&O department. Spinal Injuries that are below specific level. Most of these patients would be discussed with neurosurgery and are often admitted under them first. They are then managed by the spinal team.

Please note, Alder Hey Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is a specialist children's hospital and does not provide services to adults.

Q3 Number of allocated trauma beds?

A3 We do not have any allocated elective beds, as no beds in the Trust are ringfenced.

However, there is a 32 bed Orthopaedics and Neurosurgery ward with 8 High Dependency Unit (HDU) level beds

Q4 Number of allocated elective beds?

A4 We do not have any allocated elective beds, as no beds in the Trust are ringfenced.

Q5 Annual number of trauma admissions?

A5 Trauma Audit Research Network (TARN) eligible admissions - 175
Other Watched admissions - 411
Total trauma admissions - 656

Please note, these figures do not consider those who were discharged from the

Emergency Department

Q6 Annual number of elective admissions?

A6 28.5k elective admissions (including daycase)

Q7 Number of Consultants?

A7 11.7 whole time equivalent (WTE)

Q8 Number of middle grades (SpR / associate specialist)?

A8 6.97 whole time equivalent (WTE)

Q9 Number of Junior grades (FY / SHO)?

A9 0

Q10 Number of Advanced Care Practitioners?

A10 2.43 whole time equivalent (WTE)

Q11 Number of Trauma Coordinators?

A11 4.8 whole time equivalent (WTE)

1x Lead Nurse Major Trauma, 4x Trauma Coordinators (1x Nurse and 3x Physio)

Q12 Weekly trauma theatre capacity? e.g. 1 half day theatre, whole day theatre, multiple theatres

A12 1 half day theatre per day Monday - Friday

Q13 Weekly elective theatre capacity? e.g. 1 half day theatre, whole day theatre, multiple theatres

A13 14 half day sessions per week split across Monday - Friday