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Subject: Virtual Wards

- Q1 a) Do you currently use virtual wards? (Y/N)
- b) If yes,
- i. Can you please specify how many virtual wards beds you have and the provider by specialty (Cancer care, respiratory care, cardiology care, diabetes care, stroke care, renal care, pre/post-operative care services, other)?
 - ii. How many patients have been admitted in virtual wards, per specialty, for the Financial Years (FY) 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024YTD (Year to Date)?
 - iii. What are the **values** of the contracts you have in place split by specialty and provider?
 - iv. What are the **durations** of the contracts you have in place split by specialty and provider?
- c) If no,
- i. If you are not currently using virtual wards, are you planning on using them in the future?
 - ii. For which specialties are you planning on using them?
 - iii. When would you start?

A1 [Please see attached – 083 FOI Response Table](#)

Question 1A

Question Number	Question	Response	Additional comments
1 A	Do you use virtual wards in your trusts?	Yes	The Alder Hey virtual ward is run totally in house. 15 beds are commissioned using black contract Children's Community Nursing Team funding from the ICB, and the remaining 5 beds are funded using non-recurrent virtual ward funding from Cheshire and Merseyside ICB.

Question 1B(i)

Question Number	Question	Sub-segment	Number of virtual ward beds	Name of the Virtual Ward provider
1 B(i)	Can you please specify how many virtual wards beds you have?	Overall (total)	The virtual ward is 20 beds, and any speciality in the hospital can access this. Other virtual wards operate in a much more specific manner i.e. 5 beds for frailty, 5 beds for stroke. Alder Hey do not have a set number for an individual speciality like other virtual wards.	Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust
		Cancer Care	N/A	N/A
		Respiratory Care	N/A	N/A
		Cardiology Care	N/A	N/A
		Diabetes Care	N/A	N/A
		Stroke Care	N/A	N/A
		Renal Care	N/A	N/A
		pre/post-operative care services	N/A	N/A
Other (Name of the speciality)	N/A	N/A		

Question 1B(ii)

Question Number	Question	Sub-segment	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	2024YTD
1 B(ii)	How many patients have been admitted in virtual wards, per speciality, for the Financial Years (FY) 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024YTD (Year to Date)? <i>Note: Financial year included the Months of April through to March</i>	Overall (total)	107	489	840	117
		Cancer Care	5	9	39	5
		Respiratory Care	4	42	31	0
		Cardiology Care	0	6	21	3
		Diabetes Care	0	1	6	1
		Stroke Care	0	0	0	0
		Renal Care	0	3	3	1
		pre/post-operative care services	5	26	50	4
Other (Name of the speciality)	93 (Anaesthetics, Community Paediatrics, ED, Gastroenterology, Neurology, Orthopaedics, General Paediatrics, Urology)	402 (ED, Endocrinology, ENT, Gastroenterology, Neurology, Orthopaedics, General Paediatrics, Rheumatology, Spinal Disorders)	690 (Ambulatory, Anaesthetics, Community Paediatrics, ED, Endocrinology, ENT, Gastroenterology, LTV, Neurology, Orthopaedics, General Paediatrics, Palliative Care, PMD, Radiology, Spinal Disorders, Transfer (Liverpool Women's Hospital), Urology)	103 (Ambulatory, Community Paediatrics, ED, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology, Neurology, Orthopaedics, General Paediatrics, Rheumatology, Spinal Disorders, Transfer (Liverpool Women's Hospital), Urology)		

Question 1B(iii)

Question Number	Question	Sub-segment	Name of the Virtual Ward provider by speciality	Value of Contract (£)
1 B(iii)	What are the values of the contracts you have in place split by speciality and provider?	Overall (total)	Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust	0
		Cancer Care	N/A	N/A
		Respiratory Care	N/A	N/A
		Cardiology Care	N/A	N/A
		Diabetes Care	N/A	N/A
		Stroke Care	N/A	N/A
		Renal Care	N/A	N/A
		pre/post-operative care services	N/A	N/A
		Other (Name of the speciality)	N/A	N/A

Question 1B(iv)

Question Number	Question	Sub-segment	Name of the Virtual Ward provider by speciality	Start date of contract	End Date of contract	Overall Duration of contract
1 B(iv)	What are the durations of the contracts you have in place split by speciality and provider?	Overall (total)	Not applicable as per 1A and 1B (iii)	Not applicable as per 1A and 1B (iii)	Not applicable as per 1A and 1B (iii)	Not applicable as per 1A and 1B (iii)
		Cancer Care				
		Respiratory Care				
		Cardiology Care				
		Diabetes Care				
		Stroke Care				
		Renal Care				

pre/post-operative care services
Other (Name of the specialty)

Question 1C(i) & (ii)

Question Number	Question	Response	Additional comments
1 C(i)	If you are not currently using virtual wards, are you planning on using them in the future?		
1 C(ii)	For which specialties are you planning on using them?	<i>Not applicable as per 1A and 1B</i>	<i>Not applicable as per 1A and 1B</i>
1 C(iii)	When would you start?		

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