

Internet Report - Safe staffing February 2018

The information displayed on NHS Choices shows the average percentage of shifts filled per ward by registered nursing and care staff for day and night shifts during February. The percentage shown is derived by calculating the number of staff actually on the shift compared with the number of staff that were planned to be on shift. The Trust has agreed that staffing is safe on a ward when they have at 90% of shifts filled because wards can cope with one less member of staff on a shift providing this does not happen too often.

In assessing whether the wards were staffed safely the following information was considered and whether there was any correlation to reduced staffing levels:

Mental Health and Learning Disability Inpatient Wards

- Actual versus planned staffing levels
- Numbers and types of incidents on each ward every 24 hours
- Number of times prone restraint used on each ward every 24 hours
- Number of patients who abscond or fail to return from leave at the agreed time
- Number of patients found on floor on each ward every 24 hours
- Number of patient on patient assaults on each ward every 24 hours

Community Health Inpatient Rehabilitation Wards

- Actual versus planned staffing levels
- Pressure ulcers developed whilst in the care of our staff declared
- Number of patients found on floor on each ward every 24 hours
- Numbers and types of incidents on each ward every 24 hours

All wards have other professionals working with patients during the day including doctors and allied health professionals such as occupational therapists and physiotherapists. All of these staff along with the nurses provides care to patients on our wards.

The staffing numbers for each ward have been agreed with the Trust Board, ward staff and managers by using nationally recognised workforce tools that take in to account the number of beds on a ward and the amount of care that the patients on the ward need. Some wards have been given extra money to recruit more staff.

Table 2 below displays the total monthly planned staff hours versus actual staff hours (percentage fill) along with the care hours per patient day (CHPPD). This information is split by day shift/night shift and by registered nurses/unregistered care staff. Parameters against which staffing levels are RAG rated within BHFT are below 90% and above 110% (There are no national parameters). Supporting information alongside each inpatient area provides reasons and actions against their RAG rating

Table 2: Total monthly planned staff hours versus actual staff hours (percentage fill)
Increase/decrease in percentage is showed by the preceding arrow for each percentage rate

	% DAY FILL RATE				Bed Occupa	Care Hours Per Patient Day				Reason for any variation	Impact on quality of care or safety
	RN	HCA	RN	HCA	ncy %	Month cumula tive patient count	RN	НСА	Total		
Bluebell	95.8	147.6	100	125	98.86%	609	3.0	4.9	7.9	Increase in HCAs due to high level of observations	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.
Rose	100	131.6	100	162.5	98.86%	609	2.4	4.3	6.7	Increase in HCAs due to high level of observations	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.
Daisy	104.5	128	98.2	153.6	97.96%	639	2.3	4.0	6.3	Increase in HCAs due to high level of observations	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.
Snowdrop	106.3	92.3	100	123.2	95.94%	591	2.5	3.2	5.7	Increase in HCAs on nights due to high level of observations	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.
Rowan	104.5	136.2	100	180.4	71.07%	398	3.7	8.5	12.2	Complex patients requiring high levels of observations	No identified impact on quality and safety of care provided as a result of staffing issues

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Orchid	109.6	105	100	102	93.84%	503	3	3.9	6.9	Within expected levels	No identified impact on quality and safety of care provided as a result of staffing issues
Sorrel	98.2	147	100	201.9	73.21%	206	6.9	14.9	21.8	High levels of observations due to high patient acuity.	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.
Campion	127.7	119.6	100	132.3	76.19%	192	7.2	16.7	23.9	Increase in staff due to complex patients	No identified impact on quality and safety of care provided as a result of staffing issues
Jubilee	99.2	91.5	100	98.9	88.80%	547	2.6	3.9	6.5	Within expected levels	No identified impact on quality and safety of care provided as a result of staffing issues
Henry Tudor	100.6	95.6	103.6	100	82.89%	558	2.6	4	6.6	Within expected levels	No identified impact on quality and safety of care provided as a result of staffing issues
Oakwood	100.6	95.3	107.1	117.9	96.28%	647	2.9	4.1	7	Within expected levels	No identified impact on quality and safety of care provided as a result of staffing issues
Highclere	106.3	112.3	96.4	139.3	61.70%	1270	2.5	4.3	6.8	Increase in HCAs to support patient acuity and slight decrease in RNs	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.
Donnington	90.5	102.4	96.4	100	91.55%					Within expected levels	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.
Wokingham	88.5	92.9	97.3	100	82.87%	1131	2.5	3.2	5.8	Slight decrease in RNs, mainly within expected levels	No identified impact on quality and safety of care provided as a result of staffing issues
Willow House	102.9	107.7	100.57	140.8	79.37%	197	7.2	11.6	18.8	High acuity of patients resulting in increased level 2 observations.	Although there was no direct correlation between staffing and any specific incidents that occurred during the month, the high number of temporary staff required throughout the month does cause concern because of the challenge this provides in delivering consistent and good quality care.

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