

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request concerning ICU beds / Early Warning Scores.

The Trust can provide the following information:

How many adult critical care beds do you have in your hospital (or hospital trust)?

In your non-ICU wards, do you have computerised health records?

The Trust is introducing computerized health care records in May next year. Cerner and our team are developing at the moment. We do use electronic patient records for results and therapy requests and our radiology is on the PACS system.

Are patients' vital signs recorded and /or monitored using paper charts or computerised records?

Paper charts are being used until next year.

Do you use early warning scores on your wards to monitor patients?

Yes

Which early warning scoring system or systems are used in your hospital?

In July we introduced the NEWS system for scoring

Do you plan to use the National Early Warning Score (designed by the Royal College of Physicians) if you do not already use it?

N/A- see above

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