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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to CRE infections.

1. *How many patients have been?*
-colonised
-infected
With CRE infections for each of the past 10 years in your trust?
2. *Does your trust have universal screening of patients for CRE when they are admitted, screening of patients with high risk factors or no formal screening policy?*
3. *How many patients were screened for CRE when they were admitted and deemed high risk for a CRE infection?*
4. *How many isolation rooms does your hospital have for isolating CRE patients?*
5. *How many isolation rooms have en suite bathrooms?*
6. *What is your policy if there is no side room available for isolating patients with CRE?*

1.
-Colonised – In the last year (1/8/15 to 31/8/16) 9 patients have been colonised and detected on admission screening. One of these was CPE
-Infected – For the same year no patients were infected
2. We have a risk based screening programme
3. 617 patients were CRE screened from 1/4/15 to 31/3/16, 139 patients were CRE screened from 1/4/14 to 31/3/15. The formal screening programme commenced in November 2014.
4. Maidstone hospital has 41 side rooms available for CRE patients. Tunbridge Wells Hospital (TWH) has 280 side rooms which can be routinely used for CRE patients – other side rooms in specialist areas are available if the patient meets the admission criteria for those areas (E.g. CCU, ITU)
5. Maidstone – 15 have en-suite facilities
TWH - – all have en-suite facilities
6. Transfer between sites if necessary