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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 Virtual wards.

You asked:

1. Do you have a Virtual Ward?

If yes,

- a. For what specialities and care pathway have you implemented Virtual Wards?*
- b. How many Virtual Ward beds do you have?*
- c. Do you know how many Virtual Ward beds you need? If so, how many?*
- d. Who is your Virtual ward provider(s)?*

If no,

- e. Do you intend to implement a Virtual Ward?*
- f. If yes, have you identified and engaged a Virtual Ward provider?*
- g. Do you know how many Virtual Ward beds you need? If so, how many?*
- h. Do you have an internal Virtual Ward lead?*

Trust response:

1. Yes

- a. We have implemented virtual ward for acute respiratory and COPD patients.
- b. 30 currently
- c. The virtual ward can expand how we want it to and we are currently developing and implementing pathways for stroke, haematology, gastro and acute medicine. However, we recognise the need to provide treatment so are developing our nursing team to deliver care as well as monitor in the hub
- d. Luscii

All remaining questions are not applicable.