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Subject: Virtual wards

REQUEST

We would like to get the following data relating to virtual wards providers within your Trust (*please see the Excel template attached*):

1. Do you use virtual wards in your Trust? (Y/N)
 - a. If not, are you planning on using them in the future?
2. Please provide the total number of virtual ward bed capacity by specialty (respiratory care, oncology care, cardiology care, diabetes care, neurological care, renal care, pre/post operative care services, other – please specify)
3. Please provide a list of virtual ward providers used in your Trust, as well as the following for each provider:
 - a. Total contract value, split by the following:
 - i. Technology component
 - ii. Staffing component
 - iii. Others – please specify
 - b. Start and end date
 - c. For 2024, the number of virtual ward bed capacity provided by speciality (respiratory care, oncology care, cardiology care, diabetes care, neurological care, renal care, pre/post operative care services, other – please specify)

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

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d. If not, are you planning on using them in the future?

Yes.

2. Please provide the total number of virtual ward bed capacity by speciality (respiratory care, oncology care, cardiology care, diabetes care, neurological care, renal care, pre/post operative care services, other – please specify)

- a. respiratory care, **30**
- b. oncology care, **5**
- c. cardiology care, **0**
- d. diabetes care, **0**
- e. neurological care, **0**
- f. renal care, **0**
- g. pre/post operative care services, **0**
- h. other – please specify – Frailty, **35**

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Virtual wards provided in-house