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Date: 31/01/24  
Subject: Learning Disability Liaison Service

## REQUEST

I would like information on your Trust's acute learning disability liaison service, which is a team that is specifically trained in caring for people with a learning disability following admission to an acute hospital.

1. Does your Trust have an acute learning disability liaison service?
  - a. If so, what year was it set up and first became active?
  - b. What are the service team's working hours? Does the service offer out of hours support?
2. Do you have any Nursing and Midwifery Council registered nurses in learning disabilities working in the acute learning disability liaison service?
  - a. If yes, what is the headcount number and their agenda for change banding?
  - b. What are the full time equivalent (FTE) hours or whole time equivalent (WTE) hours that this post or posts amount to?
3. Do you have any other staff members work in the acute learning disability liaison service?
  - a. If yes, what is the headcount and their agenda for change banding?
  - b. Please specify the specific roles employed (i.e.: describe whether they are registered adult nurses, registered children's nurses or registered mental health nurses (not registered learning disability nurses) or any other kind of role)?
  - c. What are the full-time equivalent hours (FTE) or whole time equivalent (WTE) hours this post or posts amount to?

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

### 1. Does your Trust have an acute learning disability liaison service?

#### a. If so, what year was it set up and first became active?

St Helens and Knowsley:

Active since 2019.

Southport and Ormskirk:

There is 1 FTE funded post, that became substantive in August 2022.

#### b. What are the service team's working hours? Does the service offer out of hours support?

St Helens and Knowsley:

09:00 – 17:00 (Monday to Friday). No out of hours service, however, policy in place to support staff. LD awareness training is mandatory for all staff.

Southport and Ormskirk:

Monday to Friday within core hours i.e. 09:00 – 17:00, or 08:00 – 16:00.

### 2. Do you have any Nursing and Midwifery Council [registered nurses in learning disabilities](#) working in the acute learning disability liaison service?

#### a. If yes, what is the headcount number and their agenda for change banding?

St Helens and Knowsley:

2x Band 7

Southport and Ormskirk:

1x Band 7

- b. What are the full time equivalent (FTE) hours or whole time equivalent (WTE) hours that this post or posts amount to?**

St Helens and Knowsley:

2 FTE

Southport and Ormskirk:

1 FTE

- 3. Do you have any other staff members work in the acute learning disability liaison service?**

- a. If yes, what is the headcount and their agenda for change banding?**

No

- b. Please specify the specific roles employed (i.e.: describe whether they are registered adult nurses, registered children's nurses or registered mental health nurses (not registered learning disability nurses) or any other kind of role)?**

N/A

- c. What are the full-time equivalent hours (FTE) or whole time equivalent (WTE) hours this post or posts amount to?**

N/A