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From: Private Individual
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Subject: RTT (pathways; validation & staffing) and bed management

Q1 How many staff do you currently employ to undertake RTT validation tasks?

A1 Three WTE

Q2 How many more permanent or temporary staff are expected to be needed over the next 12 months?

A2 Information not held

Q3 How many open RTT pathways do you have currently?

A3 3263

Q4 How many staff do you currently employ to undertake clinical coding validation tasks?

A4 We do not employ anyone solely to undertake validation tasks. Any validations are undertaken by the Clinical Coding Manager or Senior Clinical Coder

Q5 How many more permanent or temporary staff are expected to be needed over the next 12 months?

A5 No plans for additional staff permanent or temporary in the next 12 months

Q6 Do you operate and utilise a live bed state system?

A6 Yes

Q7 Has your organisation implemented any centralised or 24 hour bed management process, or have an automatic electronic utilisation data capture solution. If so, which processes or solutions are in use?

A7 Yes
Silverlink - Bed Management module

Q8 What is the name, job title, and department contact email address of the primary decision maker for change control of the bed state process?

A8 Any operational changes to the Bed State process would be agreed and implemented by Senior Management (Head Of Nursing, Heads of Divisions).

Any system changes to the Bed Management module (part of the Trust's PAS system) would be requested, approved and signed off via the Trust's PAS User Group.

As such there is no nominated primary decision maker rather than Operational and System controls.

See website for senior management details:

<http://www.lhch.nhs.uk/gps-professionals/our-divisional-teams/>

<http://www.lhch.nhs.uk/gps-professionals/our-nursing-team/senior-nursing-team/>

- Q9 How many Urgent Care/Emergency Department staff have access to the spine lookup and validation service to verify demographics at the point of patient registration?
- A9 Information not held - Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital is a specialist adult cardiothoracic centre and does not have an Urgent Care/Emergency Department