Proposal to move Ward 15 to the Royal Hospital for Children

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Today

• What we are proposing and why

• What this would mean for patients

• What do you think?
The proposal

To move Ward 15 in the Royal Alexandra Hospital to the new Royal Hospital for Children:

• Inpatient care
• Day surgery
• Short stay medical assessment
Why is it being proposed?

• The Royal Hospital for Children
• National clinical standards
• Enhanced opportunities for training
• Emergency care
National Clinical Standards

These standards should be met where possible in all paediatric inpatient units.

We can only meet these standards if our paediatric doctors are not spread across two separate children’s inpatient units.
1. A consultant paediatrician is present in the hospital during busiest times

2. Every child who is admitted with an acute medical problem is seen by a senior doctor or nurse within four hours of admission

3. Every child who is admitted with an acute medical problem is seen by a consultant paediatrician within 14 hours of admission
National clinical standards

4. At least two medical handovers every 24 hours are led by a consultant paediatrician

5. Children’s care should be discussed with a senior doctor or nurse before they are discharged

6. Paediatric assessment units always have access to the opinion of a consultant paediatrician
National clinical standards

8. Consultants work in the same admitting ward for a week at a time

9. All general paediatric training rotas are made up of at least ten staff working to advised shift patterns

10. Specialist paediatricians are available for immediate telephone advice

11. Access to a paediatrician with high level of child protection experience
Paediatric Services Clyde

• RAH Paisley
  – Ward 15 – inpatient care, day surgery, and short stay medical assessment
  – Neonatal unit
  – Outpatient clinics
  – Community & specialist Children’s nursing team
  – Child development centre
  – AHP teams
• IRH Greenock
  – Outpatient clinics
  – Community Children’s nursing team
  – Child development centre
  – AHP teams
• VOL Alexandria
  – Outpatient clinics
  – Community Children’s nursing team
  – Child development centre
  – AHP teams
• Remote and rural areas ( 7)
  – Outpatient clinics
  – Community Children’s nursing team
  – Child development team
  – AHP teams
Caitlin age 7 years asthma

- Attends paediatric clinic IRH
- Sees asthma specialist nurse IRH
- Community nurses see at home and work with school regarding asthma and other allergies
Caitlin age 7 years asthma – current system

• Wheezy for 1 day

• Taken to GP who thinks she needs admitted but not severely unwell

• Referred to ward 15 RAH

• Taken by Mum and Dad in car

• Seen, assessed and admitted same day
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Lucas age 6 - current system

- Fall from climbing frame in park onto head
- Dizzy and vomiting
- Taken by Aunt to ED, IRH
- Assessed as needing admission for observation
- Transferred by ambulance to Ward 15, RAH
- Admitted overnight for observation
Lucas age 6 – current system

- Deteriorates overnight, increasingly sleepy
- CT scan shows a bleed
- Transfer to RHC neurosurgeons by specialist intensive care team
- Operation later that day
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Royal Hospital for Children

- Purpose built ED to manage > 60,000 babies, children and young people / year
- Specialist paediatric emergency nursing and medical teams
- Clinical Decision Unit
- 10 inpatient wards with over 200 beds
Royal Hospital for Children

Immediate access to
- paediatric radiology
- paediatric surgery
- paediatric intensive care
- multiple paediatric specialties
Will there be enough space at the Royal Hospital for Children?

*On an average day*

- Ward 15 has around 8 inpatients
- The Royal Hospital for Children has between 30-40 free beds.
Ward Nursing and Facilities
Transport and access

• Analysis of the 41 areas accounting for 80% of admissions in 2015 - 2016
• Travel survey of visitors to Ward 15
• Looked at off peak drive time, rush hour drive time, public transport, and ambulance drive times
• Car parking, financial support and accommodation were also important
Families accessing Ward 15
Off peak drive times

- Argyll and Bute: Average off peak drive time to RAH, Average off peak drive time to RHC
- East Renfrewshire
- Inverclyde
- Renfrewshire
- West Dunbartonshire
Public transport

Average total travel time by public transport (minutes)

- Argyll and Bute
- East Renfrewshire
- Inverclyde
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- West Dunbartonshire

Legend:
- Red: Time to reach RAH by public transport
- Blue: Time to reach RHC by public transport
Scottish Ambulance Service - national targets

- Treatment starts when Scottish Ambulance Service staff arrive on scene
- 75% of life threatening incidents responded to within 8 minutes
- 95% of serious but not life threatening incidents responded to within 19 minutes
Car parking

• Parents are concerned about finding car parking spaces
• New arrangements have been put in place on the QEUH site
• Since these were introduced, patients or visitors have always been able to get a space
Financial support

• Parents are worried about additional costs when their child is in hospital
• Across NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, some families can have travel expenses reimbursed
• A financial support and inclusion service is based at the Royal Hospital for Children
Inform, engage, consult

• Extensive engagement, and option appraisal in 2011

• Re informing and engaging in Autumn 2016

• Formal public consultation from 7 November 2016 until 6 February 2017
Next steps

• Consultation until Monday 6 February 2017

• Consultation reported to the Board of NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde on Tuesday 21 February 2017

• If the Board decide to go ahead with the proposed transfer, their decision will be submitted to the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Sport for approval.
Summary of expected benefits

• Access to state of the art facilities at the Royal Hospital for Children

• The ability to meet national clinical standards to improve clinical care for children in Clyde

• Better access to bigger clinical teams and senior clinical decision making round the clock

• Continued access to high quality local services for children
Any questions?
Feedback

• Is there anything we haven’t covered?

• Any thoughts or views on the proposal?
Thank you

If you have any further questions or feedback, please do not hesitate to get in touch:

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