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## **Freedom of Information Act Request**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

Dear Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

For each centre within your trust that provides neonatal care, please could you share:

How many funded neonatal intensive care unit (ICU), neonatal high dependency unit (HDU) and special care baby unit (SCBU) cots are there?

NNU Doncaster- 3 ICU, 3 HDU, 12 SC cots SCBU Bassetlaw- 8 SC cots (able to flex and support HDU care when appropriate and stabilise IC prior to transfer out)

Does the centre have access to a senior pharmacist practising in neonatology at Agenda for Change (AFC) Band 8a or equivalent as a minimum? Yes

Does the centre have access to a senior pharmacist with experience in the provision of parenteral nutrition, where necessary? Yes

Do pharmacists working in neonatal care attend daily multidisciplinary ward rounds? No

How many pharmacists (whole time equivalent) working in neonatal care are active independent prescribers? 0

Does the centre have access to medicines via the hospital dispensary 7 days a week, with regular stock top ups in accordance with demand, but no less than once a week? Yes

Does the centre have 5 day access to an aseptic and CIVA service where this is needed to provide bespoke parenteral nutrition or where there is substantial use of high risk intravenous medications? Yes to aseptic but no CIVA service

Does the centre provide a five day or seven day neonatal service? If this varies for different beds, please answer the below two workforce questions separately for each service.

5 day clinical pharmacy ward service, 7 day access to advice (not specialist) and supplies at Doncaster 7 day access to advice and supplies at Bassetlaw

- How many clinical pharmacists work in neonatal care (whole time equivalent), and at what AfC band? Approx. 0.4wte B8a and 0.1wte B7 with ad-hoc support from 8c
- How many ward-based pharmacy technicians work in the neonatal care (whole time equivalent)? 0

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Does your trust have a paediatric critical care unit? For each paediatric critical care unit within your trust, please answer: N/A We do not have funded Paediatric HDU

How many funded paediatric level 2 and level 3 critical care beds are in the unit? N/A

Does the unit have access to a senior pharmacist practising in paediatric critical care, funded at Agenda for Change (AFC) Band 8a or equivalent as a minimum? N/A

Do pharmacists working in paediatric critical care attend daily multidisciplinary ward rounds? N/A

How many pharmacists (whole time equivalent) in the unit are active independent prescribers? N/A

Does the unit have access to medicines via the hospital dispensary 7 days a week, with regular stock top ups in accordance with demand, but no less than once a week? N/A

Does the unit provide a five day or seven day service? If this varies for different beds, please answer the below two workforce questions separately for each service. N/A

- How many clinical pharmacists work in paediatric critical care (whole time equivalent), and at what AfC band?
- How many ward-based pharmacy technicians work in the unit (whole time equivalent)? N/A

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to d.wraith@nhs.net.

If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

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