

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/23/017

Noah's Ark Children's Hospital

Information Requested:

For Noah's Ark Children's Hospital Cardiff, within your Trust:

1. The year of construction of the building housing the paediatric haemato-oncology unit and any subsequent major upgrades to the unit

The Unit was opened in 2005 and there were upgrades in 2017 and 2021.

2. The number of admissions to the paediatric haemato-oncology unit, by year, for 2015-2022

Number of Admissions as values	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY	2266	3293	2953	3201	2970	2645	3219	2931
PAEDIATRIC HAEMATOLOGY	7	21	29	34	29	15	38	34

3. The number of individual patients admitted to the paediatric haemato-oncology unit, by year, for 2015-2022

Please see above.

4. the total number of blood cultures taken for patients on the paediatric haemato-oncology unit, by year, for 2015-2022

Please see attached.

- Total blood cultures received in lab / year
- Total positives by year
- Isolates by year

We have attempted to de-duplicate these samples, but we are unable to guarantee this is 100% accurate as patients can send multiple blood culture samples and can have multiple organisms from blood culture bottles.

Therefore, the higher number of isolates compared with the number of positive bottles is likely where both bottles may have grown an organism. It is also possible that there may have been more than one organism from a positive bottle.

5. The total number of positive blood cultures taken for patients on the paediatric haemato-oncology unit, by year, for 2015-2022

Please see attached.

6. A list of the numbers of all organisms, by species, isolated from blood cultures from patients on the paediatric haemato-oncology unit (whether deemed significant or not), by site (peripheral venepuncture, peripheral line or central line), by year for 2015-2022, total and de-duplicated numbers for same infection episode.

Please see attached.