

Title ITU Dr Staffing

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

Put questions in blue

Can you please confirm on how many occasions in the last 12 months there has/ has not been a resident ITU doctor on duty in your ITU and that the ITU has instead been staffed by ACCP(s)?

Eastern Service response:

- Each day, from 0800 to 2100hrs the ICU is covered by an on-site ICU consultant(s), and a combination of ICM, medicine and anaesthetic doctors in training, and FICM qualified ACCPs.
- Each day, out of hours ICU cover is provided by a combination of ICM, medicine and anaesthetic doctors in training and FICM qualified ACCPs, together with an on-site post-fellowship anaesthetic registrar and an ICU consultant on call.
- RDUH Eastern ICU always adheres to the staffing configuration required to meet GPICS-2 standards.

Northern Service response:

This question is not applicable. The Northern Service ITU does not have ACCP, so it is always staffed with an ITU doctor.