

Chemotherapy

Request details

Please could you provide me with the following information:

1. At what locations do you deliver intravenous chemotherapy?
2. What are the operational days and hours of each location delivering intravenous chemotherapy?
3. How many nurses are employed to deliver chemotherapy at each location?
4. What is the operational capacity of each location delivering intravenous chemotherapy? This should include: The maximum number of individuals that could be treated by location and the actual number of individuals actually treated by location.
5. How many beds or chairs are used for delivering intravenous chemotherapy by location?
6. What is the average time a patient will spend receiving intravenous chemotherapy?
7. What is the average distance a patient will travel for intravenous chemotherapy at each site?

Response details

1. At what locations do you deliver intravenous chemotherapy?
 - a. University Hospital of Wales – Haematology Day-Unit, Teenage Cancer Trust (TCT) and B4 Inpatient Ward
 - b. University Hospital of Wales Llandough (UHL) – Haematology Day-Unit
 - c. Tenovus Mobile Unit
 - d. Ward C4 Neuro Day Unit
2. What are the operational days and hours of each location delivering intravenous chemotherapy?
 - a. UHW Day-Unit: 10 hrs per day, Mon – Fri
 - b. UHW Ward and TCT: 24hrs per day, 7 days per week
 - c. UHL: 10hrs per day, Tuesday & Thursday
 - d. Mobile Unit: 8hrs per day, Tuesday & Wednesday
 - e. Ward C4 Neuro Day Unit: Monday – Friday (08:00 – 17:00)
3. How many nurses are employed to deliver chemotherapy at each location?
 - a. Day-unit UHW: 4 nurses available
 - b. Haematology ward UHW: 20 nurses available
 - c. Day-unit UHL: 2 nurses available
 - d. Mobile unit: 2 nurses available
 - e. Rheumatology: 3 nurses chemo trained and assessed.
 - f. Ward C4 Neuro Day Unit = 2 WTE Registered Nurses

Please note that, even though nurses may be trained for delivery of chemotherapy, this may not be the only purpose of their role.

4. What is the operational capacity of each location delivering intravenous chemotherapy? This should include: The maximum number of individuals that could be treated by location and the actual number of individuals actually treated by location.

The operational capacity to deliver chemotherapy in each site is dependent on our bed/chair numbers as below.

- Ward (UHW) = 17 beds
- TCT = 6 beds
- Mobile Unit = 4 chairs
- Day-unit (UHW) = 4 chairs
- Day-unit (UHL) = 4 chairs

- Ward C4 Neuro Day Unit has a capacity of 7 therapy chairs/bed spaces with up to 12 patients a day treated, but the IV chemotherapy patients do not exceed more than 2 at one time.

The UHB does not hold the information for the number of individuals actually treated by location.

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- Mobile Unit = 4 chairs
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- C4 Day Unit has a capacity of 7 therapy chairs/bed spaces with up to 12 patients a day treated, but the IV chemotherapy patients do not exceed more than 2 at one time.
- Variable, but no more than 2 patients at a time.

6. What is the average time a patient will spend receiving intravenous chemotherapy?

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7. What is the average distance a patient will travel for intravenous chemotherapy at each site?

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