Actual Versus Planned Nurse Staffing - Inpatient Areas

The table below summarises the average fill rate on each ward during **August 2019.** The fill rate is calculated by comparing planned staffing hours and actual staffing achieved.

In addition we are required to submit information on the total number of patients that were on each ward throughout the month – this is then used to calculate the "Care Hours per Patient Day" (CHPPD) metric. Our overall CHPPD for August was **7.95** care hours per patient per day.

	Aug-2019						
	Day		Night		Care hours per patient day (CHPPD)		
Ward name	Average fill rate - registered nurses/ midwives	Average fill rate - care staff	Average fill rate - registered nurses/ midwives	Average fill rate - care staff	Registered nurses/ midwives	Care Support Workers	Overall
Byland	80.3%	94.8%	89.0%	114.5%	2.37	3.18	5.55
Farndale	98.1%	86.0%	100.0%	103.2%	3.82	4.26	8.07
Granby	93.6%	120.2%	100.0%	109.7%	3.31	3.43	6.74
Harlow	103.2%	90.3%	100.0%	-	7.08	1.81	8.89
ITU/HDU	93.0%	-	98.1%	-	22.94	2.80	25.73
Jervaulx	85.1%	103.6%	94.2%	129.6%	2.62	3.68	6.30
Lascelles	96.7%	94.2%	98.4%	100.0%	4.06	3.64	7.71
Littondale	81.0%	99.5%	94.6%	125.8%	3.78	2.70	6.48
Maternity	88.9%	73.8%	95.2%	88.7%	14.34	3.73	18.07
Medical Assessment Unit	83.4%	100.5%	97.6%	101.6%	4.50	2.86	7.36
Medical Short Stay	94.3%	97.2%	100.0%	132.3%	4.40	2.95	7.35
Nidderdale	90.2%	102.2%	90.3%	174.2%	3.45	2.59	6.04
Oakdale	77.3%	91.5%	98.9%	108.6%	3.38	3.84	7.21
Special Care Baby Unit	94.4%	59.7%	96.8%	-	16.13	2.78	18.90
Trinity	96.7%	87.1%	100.0%	100.0%	3.86	4.05	7.91
Wensleydale	81.0%	110.5%	100.0%	106.5%	3.73	2.89	6.62
Woodlands	73.0%	67.7%	86.0%	61.3%	11.93	2.83	14.76
Trust Total	87.4%	97.2%	96.2%	111.6%	4.72	3.23	7.95

Further information to support the August data

On the wards: Byland, Jervaulx, MAU, Oakdale, Littondale and Wensleydale where the Registered Nurse (RN) fill rate was less than 100% against planned; this reflects current band 5 Registered Nurse vacancies and is reflective of the local and national position in particular regarding the difficulties in recruiting Registered Nurses. The Trust is engaged in an extensive recruitment plan in response to this.

The planned staffing levels on Farndale ward were adjusted in August to reflect the closure of beds in this area in response to activity levels.

The ITU /HDU day and night staffing levels which appear as less than planned are flexed when not all beds are occupied and staff assist in other areas. National standards for RN's to patient ratios are maintained.

The planned staffing levels on the Delivery Suite and Pannal ward (maternity wards) have been combined to reflect the close working relationship of these two areas and the movement of staff between the wards in response to fluctuating occupancy and activity levels. Some of the Registered Midwife gaps were due to vacancy and sickness and the care staff gaps due to sickness in August; however a professional assessment was made on a shift by shift basis to ensure that nurse staffing numbers matched the activity.

In some wards the actual care staff hours show additional hours used for enhanced care for those patients who require intensive support. In August this is reflected on the wards; Byland, Jervaulx, MSS, Oakdale, Granby, Littondale, Farndale, Wensleydale and Nidderdale

For the Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU) although the daytime RN and care staff hours appear as less than planned it is important to note that the bed occupancy levels fluctuate in this area and a professional assessment was undertaken on a shift by shift basis to ensure that the planned staffing matched the needs of both babies and families.

On Woodlands ward the day and night time RN and care staff hours are less than 100% in August, however the ward occupancy levels vary considerably which means that particularly in this area the number of planned and actual nurses is kept under constant review.