**Request for Information – Feedback Summary Sheet**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Request made by:** | Gillian Leaver | **Responses to be sent back to:** | Molly Chibvuri |
| **Date request made:** | 07/07/2021 | **Date sent out:** | 07/07/2021 |
| **Details of Request:** | 1. What is the minimum age of patients admitted to their adult ICUs?
2. What is the maximum age for admission into their paediatric units and general inpatient wards/
3. Do the adult ICUs have an operational guideline that includes admission criteria for patients over the age of 16years but under 18 years of age?
 |
| **No.** | **Response Received From:** | **Details of Response:** |
| 1 | Ange Foster -  | What is the minimum age of patients admitted to their adult ICUs?  - once an infant has gone home after birth they will no longer be admitted to SCBU but would come to us & then be retrieved by SORT What is the maximum age for admission into their paediatric units and general inpatient wards/ - It is when they take the GCSE’s that determine whether they go onto an adult ward or paed ward Do the adult ICUs have an operational guideline that includes admission criteria for patients over the age of 16years but under 18 years of age? –we do have an admission guideline – Currently being revised ! |
| 2 | Claire McMillan - OUH | Adult ICU at the John Radcliffe and Churchill site would admit a minimum age of 16.  We have no policy in place for ages between 16-18.  That said, if there are any learning needs, we generally check in with safeguarding to ensure we are doing all the right things, mainly around consent.  If the patient is on the smaller site, we would seek advice from paediatrics about drug and dosing to confirm that what we are doing is correct. |
| 3 | Ian Rechner – Royal Berkshire | Newborn16, but if they know them they might take up to 18 but often a fightNo plan |
| 4 | Jane Adderley – Milton Keynes Hospital | We have all ages of paeds in our adult ICU for treat and transfer. In extremis we have been known to keep overnight but the have been the Level 2s predominantly and in communication with SORT.  Hopefully attached clarified but we don’t go on age it’s need. We’ve built our relationship up with paeds in MK and SORT has transformed that process over many years and generally have a good understanding but like everything it doesn’t happen overnight.  |
| 5 | Peter Csabi – Frimley Health | What is the minimum age of patients admitted to their adult ICUs? No minimum age limit or written protocol on our site, decision is on case by case basis. Our youngest was 11 years old. In general however children < 16 years with paediatric problems are not admitted, only if they can be treated as adults due to their weight / size. What is the maximum age for admission into their paediatric units and general inpatient wards/ It depends on the transition – 18.  Do the adult ICUs have an operational guideline that includes admission criteria for patients over the age of 16years but under 18 years of age? ITU does not, the hospital does : 1. **16 & 17 year old patients known to paediatrics** presenting with a medical condition not yet transitioned into adult care, refer to paediatrics.
2. **16 & 17 year old patients not known to paediatrics** with a new medical problem should be referred to adult medicine, except new diabetic and oncology patients, who should remain under paediatrics.
3. **16 & 17 year old patients presenting with a surgical/orthopaedic/gynaecological problem** should be referred to these teams. Paediatrics may also be informed if the patient is known to them.
4. **16 & 17 year olds suitable for EDOU and requiring assessment by CAMHS** should be admitted to EDOU after agreement and discussion with the ED consultant. 16 and 17 year old patients requiring admission in exceptional circumstances prior to CAMHS assessment should be referred to adult medical take.
 |
| 6 | Andrea Huson – OUH Paediatric Critical Care | As a general rule for Paediatric Critical Care our remit is up to 16 years old. However if the child is known to Paediatric services and is yet to transition to Adult services we have taken patients up to 18yrs old.  The same stands for the children's hospital except for our adolescent unit who take patients up to 18 years old, as far as I am aware. |
| 7 | University Hospital Southampton Neuro ICU – Thomas Benjamin | * Minimum patient age on NICU: 16 years old, although we will take younger patients on a case-by-case basis when PICU are full.
* Agreement with Paediatric ICU for 16-17 year olds: historically, if the patient is 16-17 years old and in full-time education then they go to PICU, if not then they come to NICU. Nowadays, we deal with each patient on a case-by-case basis in terms of the merits of being cared for on NICU or PICU.
* The maximum age for patients on PICU is generally 17 years old, although I understand they occasionally care for older people who haven’t yet completed the process of transitioning between child and adult services
* The minimum age for adult neuro wards at UHS is 16 years old
 |
| 8 | Salem Mohammed – OUH CTCCU | The minimum age we admit to CTCCU is 16. We do not have guidelines for patients between age of 16-18. |
| 9 | Lisa Cosh – Dorset County Hospital | No age limit specified – paediatric patients will be cared with advice from Southampton University Hospital until the patient can be retrieved |
| 10 | Michaela Jones – UHS Cardiac ICU | 1. What is the minimum age of patients admitted to their adult ICUs?

Cardiac ICU (CICU), General ICU (GICU) and Neuro ICU (NICU) = 16 years.NICU: we will take younger patients on a case-by-case basis when PICU are full.1. What is the maximum age for admission into their paediatric units and general inpatient wards/

Officially it is 16 years but this varies on an individual basis for patients with complex needs such as our congenital heart disease and they can flex up to 18 years. 1. Do the adult ICUs have an operational guideline that includes admission criteria for patients over the age of 16years but under 18 years of age?

No.CICU:  the congenital heart patients in this age range should be involved in a ‘ready, steady, go’ transition to adult services programme. Within this they will have discussed a preference for PICU & E1 (paediatric) vs CICU & E2 (adult) which we are happy to accommodate.GICU: for 16-18 year olds there is no operational guideline except we take advice from PICU for social care and management. NICU: Agreement with Paediatric ICU for 16-17 year olds: historically, if the patient is 16-17 years old and in full-time education then they go to PICU, if not then they come to NICU. Nowadays, we deal with each patient on a case-by-case basis in terms of the merits of being cared for on NICU or PICU.  |
| 11 | Lisa Swan - Northampton | We have an operational policy which includes a section paediatric admissions.We will admit from the age of 16, with agreement of daily input from paeds.Under 16 we will, in exceptional circumstances, take them for stabilisation prior to transfer.I cannot comment with certainty what the wards accept. |
| 12 | Regina Mathew – Glenfield Adult Intensive Care Unit | What is the minimum age of patients admitted to their adult ICUs? Above 16 years  What is the maximum age for admission into their paediatric units and general inpatient wards/ below 16 years  Do the adult ICUs have an operational guideline that includes admission criteria for patients over the age of 16years but under 18 years of age? Not particularly but we have admitted 16 year old in the past on adult intensive care unit who needed VA/VV ECMO and was adult weight >50 kg when paediatrics were busy and unable to staff  |
| 13 | Martin Cook - Salisbury | We have no fixed rule. Usually on negotiation with PICU. Generally greater than 16, unless know to PICU Awith complex problem and not transitioned to adult care.Will occasionally take younger (>12)  if a simple single organ issue with admission likely to be less than 24h and approved by PICU. |
| 14 | Via WYCCODN |   |