Privacy & Dignity
A leaflet for paediatric patients

Welcome to the paediatric unit. This information sheet has been prepared to advise parents and older children about how we will help you maintain your privacy and dignity whilst on the paediatric ward.

Protecting your child's privacy and dignity during their hospital stay is important to all of the staff on the paediatric unit. This leaflet has been produced to help you understand how we achieve this.

On arrival to the ward your child will have been given a bed according to how the team feel their physical, psychological and social needs are best met whilst they are in hospital. Consideration will also have been given to the needs of the other children and young people on the ward at the time.

Your child may have been allocated a bed in our mixed sex bay. This is because the paediatric unit staff feel that this is the most appropriate place for your child. Evidence suggests that children often recover more quickly and have a better hospital experience when they are able to mix with other children of a similar age or those who have a similar condition.

We promote privacy on the unit by encouraging children to pull their curtains around their bed when they are changing or if the nurse or doctor is carrying out a treatment or examination. We also have individual bathrooms and shower facilities for your child to use and your nurse will help your child use these if they wish.

During the admission process your child will be asked if they are happy to sleep in a mixed area. If they would prefer to share their sleeping accommodation with children of the same sex rather than with children of a similar age then we will try to meet this request where possible. Please ensure your nurse is informed of your child's preference.
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