

The Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine

ICM Unit Brief

Part 1 Hospital Details

1.1 Hospital name

Ulster Hospital

1.2 Full address (you **must** include postcode)

Ulster Hospital
Newtownards Road
Dundonald
Belfast
Co Antrim
BT16 1RH

1.3 Hospital Telephone number

02890484511

Part 2 ICU Department contact details

2.1 Direct telephone number to Department

02890411456

2.2 Faculty Tutor name

Padraig Headley

2.3 Faculty Tutor Email address

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Part 3 Unit Structure

3.1 Number of Beds

Funded 6 ICU 4 HDU

3.2 Number of admissions

700 per year

3.3 Percentage of elective vs emergency admissions

Approx 10% v 90%

3.4 Overview of case mix within the unit

Modern state-of-the-art purpose-designed Unit. 16 bedspaces (8 siderooms with privacy glass)
700 patients per year admitted (approx.)
65% level 3; 35% level 2 patients, bed occupancy of 90-105%.
63% medical, 37% mix of elective (10%) and emergency surgical patients
ICU beds Consistently escalated by >50% during COVID pandemic, peaking at 20.

3.5 Names of Consultants, roles and areas of interest

Name (all ICM consultants)	Role (eg clinical lead, consultant)	Areas of interest
Mark Reid	ICNARC	
Chris Gowers	CLOD	Education, FICE echo
Conn Russell	Past ICM REA, Full BSE echocardiography qualified	FICE / advanced echo
Claire Jamison	Clinical Lead	
Matt Devine	Research co-ordinator	
David Hendron	Mortality review co-ordinator	Echo / mortality review lead
John McCaffrey	Encompass support	
Padraig Headley	Faculty tutor, rota, resus lead	POCUS
Chris Murray	Research	

3.6 Details of research projects being undertaken within the unit

Ongoing input to UKROX, A2B, Mosaic
 Full contributor to ICNARC data collection
 Ongoing audits and quality improvement projects continuously.

3.7 How is the unit staffed

Medical:

- 8 consultants delivering 20 sessions of regular daytime cover Monday- Friday. Out of hours includes predictable weekend work of full ward-round and review of all admissions. (Matt Devine currently on sabbatical)
- 8 doctors in training on full shift rota, background usually mix of ACCS, Core medical trainees, Acute or respiratory ST3-7 trainees. When available also 1 supernumerary ST7 ICM trainee on separate advanced trainee on-call rota.

Full complement of nursing, physiotherapy, support, dietician, technician colleagues.

Part 4

Training

4.1 Details of training opportunities on the unit

Long experience in delivering training, popular and well-reviewed unit. Recently achieved top-10 placing nationally for overall satisfaction in GMC National Training Survey. Opportunities to gain FICE accreditation and experience in renal replacement therapy, ultrasound use for placement of intravascular access. Daily teaching ward rounds and supportive senior staff. Ulster hospital specialties include general /GI / breast surgery, orthopaedic, maxillofacial and plastic surgery, busy general and acute medicine, haematology, oncology, elderly care

4.2 Details of departmental teaching days

Tuesday morning- ICU teaching
Monday lunchtime– Anaesthetics teaching
Thursday morning- Journal club
Wed morning anaesthetics teaching
regional ICU teaching days (6 per year)

4.3 Details of clinical governance meetings and / or M & M

Morbidity/mortality reviews - 2 monthly
Monthly Directorate & Audit Meetings
Monthly ICU ward meetings
ICU Quality Group
All deaths reviewed in multi-disciplinary setting