

# Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Intelligence Presentation  
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# Maternity: Summary of intelligence findings



## Areas for further investigation :

- Never Event occurred in October 2015 . Retained **I&S** following a sutured episiotomy.
- One active follow up in the Maternity Outliers report – Puerperal sepsis and other puerperal infections. Approved action plan (May 15) requires follow up.
- A further seven serious incidents between Feb 15 – Jan 16, in addition to 7 in reporting period. No themes identified.
- 1:31 ratio of midwifery staff to births is worse than the England average (1:27)
- Consultant cover is 60 hours per week.
- Maternity unit was closed 6 times between Jan 14 – Jun 15.
- FFT results show 0% due to low number of responses due to system issues at the trust. To be demonstrated during inspection.
- FFT results also show that those who would recommend Birth at the trust was below the England average.
- Staff vacancy rate: 4% in Neonatal Unit and 3.6% for maternity Ward 32  
Cesarian Ward

# Children and Young people: Summary of intelligence findings



- No Never Events or Serious Incidents reported up to January 2016.
- Proportionately more children with diabetes had their diabetes under control than the England average (2014/15 Paediatric Diabetes Audit).
- The median length of stay is lower than the national average.
- Rate of multiple emergency admissions for CYP with asthma 1 – 17 years old is lower than the England average.
- No emergency readmissions following elective admissions.
- Performed 'about the same' as other trusts for all questions on the Children's Survey.
- Better than other trusts for parents feeling like the hospital took good care of their children.
- Paediatrics is 2.19 WTE over establishment. Staff turnover is 11% and sickness absence 3%.
- Appraisal rates have been maintained over the last four years and show 87% for Apr 15 – Dec 15.