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# “NCEPOD – are we there yet?”

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# Deaths within 30 days of an operation in patients 17 years and younger

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- **n = 597 cases**
  - **n = 378 cases suitable for review (notes retrieval)**
  - **n = 373 hospitals (290 responded)**
  - **April 2008 – April 2010**
  - **The ‘Retrospectoscope’**
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# Deaths within 30 days of an operation

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- **71% received good care**
  - **Most transferred for surgery**
  - **53% doing audits and M & M meetings**
  - **160/267 hospitals not in a network**
  - **51/267 no policy on the seriously ill child**
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	1997/98	2008/09
<b>NHS Spend</b>	<b>£45 bn</b>	<b>£110 bn</b>
<b>NHS Staff</b>	<b>1,058,686</b>	<b>1,431,996</b>
<b>Doctors</b>	<b>89,619</b>	<b>140,897</b>
<b>Nurses</b>	<b>318,856</b>	<b>417,164</b>
<b>BME drs/dentists</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>Infant mortality</b>	<b>5.9/1000 live births</b>	<b>4.7/1000 live births</b>
<b>Teenage pregnancy</b>	<b>45.5/1000</b>	<b>40.4/1000</b>
<b>Road deaths</b>	<b>3,578</b>	<b>2,538</b>
<b>Smokers</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>Waiting time inpatient Rx</b>	<b>13 weeks (1.2m)</b>	<b>4 weeks (0.6m)</b>



# Cultures



# Mid-Staffs Public Inquiry

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- **Standards – a means not an end**
  - **“Whoever creates the risk owns the risk”**
  - **Comparison between units and countries**
  - **Peer review**
  - **Patients want “zero harm, right first time”**
  - **Revalidation and 360 degree feedback**
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**If the worst quartile  
were as good as the  
best quartile?**

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- **Networks**
  - **Integrated care with paediatric & nurses**
  - **Document discussions with carers**
  - **National guidance on end-of-life care**
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**“A service designed by old people for old people, designed around hips, knees and cataracts”.**



# Recommendations

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- **Networks:**
    - Children’s Surgical Forum standards 2007 & scoping 2011
    - ‘The Minister’
    - report ‘Developing the NHS Commissioning Board’
    - 5 opinions: 1 op and rotation to maintain skills
  - **Integrated care with paed’s & nurses:**
    - King’s Fund & Nuffield Trust
    - Future Forum
  - **Document discussions with carers**
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# Children's Neuro Update

**Welcome...** from Paul Chatur, Chair of Safe and Sustainable Paediatric Neurosurgery Steering Group



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The new and improved website will properly reflect the importance of paediatric neurosurgery.

## In This Newsletter

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# Heartnews

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## Current UK Configuration

**1/3 of very small hospitals and  
1/2 of small hospitals are within 30 mins**

		Number of hospitals (% of total)
<b>Very Small Hospitals</b>	<b>≤1500 admissions per year</b>	<b>32 (15%)</b>
<b>Small Hospitals</b>	<b>1501-2,500 admissions per year</b>	<b>75 (34%)</b>
<b>Medium Hospitals</b>	<b>2,501-5,000 admissions per year</b>	<b>103 (47%)</b>
<b>Large Hospitals</b>	<b>&gt;5000 admissions per year</b>	<b>10 (5%)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>220</b>



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## Current UK Trainees wte

- we dont have enough for status

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- 2452 trainees ST1-8

- 300/yr vs 100/yr retirements

	Current number of rotas	Number required per cell	Junior staff required for rota	Currently available staff
General Tier 1	202	10	2020	
General Tier 2	193	10	1930	
Neonates Tier 1	84	8	672	
Neonates Tier 2	65	8	520	
<b>TOTALS</b>				
At tier 1			2692	<b>2416</b>
At tier 2			2450	<b>2152</b>



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Size of Unit	Number of units in UK		No change	Moderate (proximal) reconfiguration
Very Small	32	Convert to SSPAU	0	10
		Continued inpatients	32	22
Small	75	Convert to SSPAU	0	38
		Continued inpatients	75	37
Medium	103	Convert to SSPAU	0	0
		Continued inpatients	103	103
Large	10	Convert to SSPAU	0	0
		Continued inpatients	10	10
		<b>TOTALS</b>		
		<b>SSPAUs</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>
		<b>Inpatient hospitals</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>172</b>



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Time for change – designing services for children:  
4 interlocking changes which must be tackled together

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- 1. Reduce the number of inpatient sites from 220 to approximately 172 with 48 new nurse led SSPAUs (the moderate reconfiguration option)**
  - 2. Increase the number of consultants from 3,077 to 4,694 WTEs and change working practices with increasing use of resident consultants.**
  - 3. Expand significantly the number of nurses that work in paediatrics and the number of GP's trained in paediatrics**
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- 4. Decrease the number of ST trainees from 3,000 to 1700 WTEs (3,500 to 2,000 persons)**



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Building a Healthy Future for and with Children

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***“Nothing about us, without us!”***

**The child’s right to be heard**



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