

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 21-309	26 th August 2021
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I write under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information on 'active beds' across your Board. An active bed is any staffed bed that is in service, occupied, or unoccupied.

As of 1st of July 2021 (or most recent available data):

1. How many active beds were in service? If possible, please break this down by the number for acute services as well as total number.

In November 2020 the Health Board went through a major system reconfiguration ahead of schedule with the opening of the Grange University Hospital (GUH) and changes to the locations of services and clinical pathways.

The table below reflects the current active bed plan by Division that was in place as at 1st July 2021 and July 2019:

2021 – Transitional Bed Plan	Total
Urgent Care	70
Medicine	689
Scheduled Care	339
Family & Therapies	173
Community	302
Total	1573

2019	Total
Unscheduled Care	633
Scheduled Care	422
Family & Therapies	205
Community	313
Total	1573

The opening of the 470 bed hospital at the GUH means that technically there are 2043 beds in the estate, please note 163 of these are on the eLGH's for the Families and Therapies Division and include Obstetrics and Maternity Service which relocated to the GUH.

The reconfiguration of the service models and hospital designations means that these beds are not in operation and do not plan to be other than for our ongoing winter and COVID-19 capacity, and is dependent on staffing.

The original system configuration planned to reduce the total planned bed base to 1478 post the opening of the GUH. This has not been implemented

due to the ongoing demand and system pressures and the delay of the planned system wide transformations due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic response.

A transitional plan is in place, and will be reviewed again ahead of winter.

- 2. How many beds were not in service? If possible, please break this down by the number for acute services as well as total number.**

Please refer to Q1.

- 3. Please clarify why these beds were not in service.**

Please refer to Q1.

In the first week of July 2019:

- 1. How many active beds were in service? If possible, please break this down by sector as delineated above.**

Please refer to Q1 above.

- 2. How many beds were not in service? If possible, please break this down by sector as delineated above.**

Please refer to Q1 above.

- 3. Please clarify why these beds were not in service**

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