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Dear Requester,

**FOI 1713**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

1. **Does your trust have a consultant lead for intravenous fluid therapy? If so, how many PAs of consultant time are allocated?**

The trust has a named consultant lead for IV fluid therapy – 0.25PA

1. **Does your trust have a nursing lead for intravenous fluid therapy? If so, how many whole-time equivalents deliver this role?**

The Trust has no specific nursing lead for IV fluid therapy.

1. **Does your trust have an intravenous fluid therapy policy based on NICE Clinical Guideline 174 (CG174 Intravenous fluid therapy in adults in hospital)?**

The trust does not have a specific policy on IV fluid therapy, but practices in line with NICE CG 174 guidance.

1. **Does your trust audit compliance with this intravenous fluid management policy?**

Audit is performed in line with NICE CG 174. Audit is due again late 2022.

1. **Does your trust audit compliance with NICE Quality Standard 66 (Intravenous fluid therapy in adults in hospital)?**

See above response.

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Yours sincerely,

*FOI Officer*

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