

24 September 2024

Rota Gaps/Risks & Patient Safety Alerts in Paediatric Gastroenterology RBHSC

Under Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following information for the period January 1, 2025 to June 31, 2025.

1. Rota gaps:

- a. Copies of any internal rota gap reports, risk registers, escalation logs, or workforce risk assessments relating to consultant cover in paediatric gastroenterology services at the Royal Hospital for Sick children for the above time period.**

Please find attached a copy of the Risk Register (Attachment 1), a copy of the Risk Assessment - which is currently being further updated (Attachment 2), along with a redacted version of the Paediatric GI Consultant Rota for this period (Attachment 3). Locum cover is identified as (L) and Dublin has provided cover under an SLA arrangement.

- b. Copies of any internal rota gap reports, risk registers, escalation logs, or workforce risk assessments relating to non-consultant staff cover in paediatric gastroenterology services at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children for the above time period.**

There is no rota available for the non-consultant staff for this period. The Risk Assessment also covers non-consultant staff. The Nursing team have been fully staffed since the beginning of April 2025.

2. Patient Safety Alerts: Details (date, summary, risk grading) of any patient safety incidents or “red flag” events reported in the same speciality and time period as above.

An Early Alert was submitted to the Department of Health on 22 April 2024; it has been updated several times but remains open until the new Consultant takes up post. In terms of incidents relating to the GI workforce, none have been registered between January 2025 and June 2025.