

5 April 2024

Belfast City Hospital ICU

Intensive Care Unit at Belfast City Hospital on Friday 1st March 2024 and Saturday 2nd March 2024.

On those dates:

Was there any point in which the ICU was at full capacity?

The ICU did not reach full capacity on Friday 1 March and on Saturday 2 March 2024.

If it was at full capacity, what time was it at full capacity from and to?

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More specifically how many patients can be taken on at ICU at any one point?

The BCH ICU is a 12 bedded unit & part of the Critical Care Services within BHSCT.

And was there enough staff to deal with the ICU capacity on those days?

There was enough staff on duty to deal with the ICU capacity on these days.

What times was the Emergency Theatre in use?

There is not an emergency list in BCH Theatres in hours Monday – Friday, if an emergency case needs to be managed this is facilitated within one of the booked theatre lists. On Friday 1st March there was an emergency theatre in use from 1800hrs to 20.57hrs and from 21.02hrs to 00.41hrs. On Saturday 2nd March there was an emergency theatre in use from 20.03hrs to 22.38hrs.

Were the CT scanning facilities at full capacity at any point?

CT imaging provides 24/7 cover for ICU and theatres on the BCH site. Out of hours this is an on-call service.