

Leeds Inpatient Outreach Nursing Service (LIONS)

Information for parents



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Who are the LIONS team?

The LIONS are a team of experienced nurses from a variety of backgrounds within Leeds Children's Hospital. They have undertaken further training in order to support the ward teams in caring for acutely unwell children. They are available to support in all areas of the Children's Hospital.

What is the role of the LIONS team?

The LIONS team are available to support the ward staff in caring for children who are acutely unwell or who's condition has deteriorated. They are able to help with assessment, commencement of treatments and escalation to other teams within the children's hospital.

The LIONS team work across all areas and all specialties, and will work closely with:

- The nursing and medical staff caring for your child,
- The children's general and speciality teams,
- The high dependency unit (HDU) and paediatric intensive care unit (PICU).

If your child has been cared for on the PICU/HDU, the LIONS team will review them within 12 hours of them leaving for the ward. They will continue to follow up for at least 24 hours to make sure you and your child are settling in on the ward.

The LIONS team are also involved in simulations and education within the Leeds Childrens Hospital relating to deteriorating children.



When will I see a LIONS nurse?

The LIONS team are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If your child's observations (for example heart and respiratory rate and blood pressure) are outside of normal limits, the ward nursing team may refer your child to the LIONS team and to the medical team responsible for their care, for further assistance.

You may also see the LIONS team in the Children's Hospital and the Emergency Department during emergency situations.

If you are concerned about your child's condition, you can request a LIONS review by speaking to the bedside nurse, or you can refer directly to the LIONS team.

Tel: 07920 291 731





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We would be very grateful for any feedback that you may have about the LIONS.

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