

This graphic presents new estimates of the person hours needed, by different levels of medical staff, for safe medical care in UK hospitals. The recommendations are based on a report from the Royal College of Physicians (July 2018).

<p><b>T1 Tier 1: Junior</b> Competent clinical decision makers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Foundation trainees</li> <li>Core medical trainees</li> <li>FY1 require close supervision</li> <li>General Practice Vocational Training Scheme trainees</li> <li>Acute Care Common Stem trainees</li> <li>Physician associates</li> <li>Advanced nurse practitioners</li> <li>Other healthcare professionals with equivalent capabilities</li> </ul>	<p><b>T2 Tier 2: Registrar</b> Senior clinical decision makers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experienced trainees who are at the end of core medical training or other equivalent training</li> <li>Specialist or specialty registrars in higher medical training programmes</li> <li>Year 3 trainees in internal medicine</li> <li>Specialty and associate specialist doctors</li> <li>Trust doctors</li> </ul>	<p><b>T3 Tier 3: Consultant</b> Expert clinical decision makers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultants</li> <li>Specialty and associate specialist doctors with higher levels of competencies, qualifications and experience - often above threshold 2</li> </ul>
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## ASSESSMENT AND ADMISSIONS TEAM

To assess 10 patients

Medical staffing for patients who present acutely to hospital with medical problems

**Model 1**

Consultant led care, without an immediate consultant presence in the emergency department and acute medical unit but with consultant led post-take ward rounds

T1		15 hours
T2		9.5 hours
T3		4.5 hours

**Model 2**

Care partly delivered by consultants, with consultant presence and early involvement in the emergency department and acute medical unit

T1		15 hours
T2		7 hours
T3		6.5 hours

## DAYTIME WARD TEAM

For 30 bed medical ward

Similar medical staffing is needed for wards that have lengths of stay of 4 days and 6 days

**Monday to Friday**

Staff time required per week

T1		71 hours
T2		30 hours
T3		20.5 hours
T3		24.5 hours

**Weekends**

Staff time required per day

T1		8 hours
T2		2 hours
T3		2 hours

## ON-CALL TEAM

Day and night

Staffing for emergency medical care for inpatients who are covered by the on-call team

**Tier 1**

Per 16 hour on-call period for every 100-120 beds covered

16 hours

**Tier 2**

Dependent on hospital size

<b>Small hospitals</b>	May be able to combine with leading the medical assessment and admissions team
<b>Medium hospitals</b>	Require a separate, dedicated tier 2 medical registrar to provide on-call cover of the wards for 12 hours of greatest activity every day, with another medical registrar leading the medical assessment and admissions team
<b>Large hospitals</b>	Need a separate dedicated tier 2 medical registrar to provide on-call cover of the wards 24 hours a day