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Original Request and Response

1. What specialist palliative care services are provided by the trust for the financial year 2021-22?

Trust Response – Details of Palliative Care services provided by the Trust are available on the 'Our Services' section of the Trusts public website –
<https://www.wchc.nhs.uk/services/specialist-palliative-care/>

2. How many of the following specialist palliative care professionals are employed/funded by the trust for the financial year 2021-22?

Consultants in Palliative Medicine

Trust Response – None

GPs with a specialism in palliative care

Trust Response – None

Specialist Nurses employed as a clinical nurse specialist or a consultant nurse in palliative care

Trust Response – x10 (8.2 WTE)

Allied health professionals

Trust Response – One Social Worker, one Dietitian, one Physiotherapist, one Occupational Therapist and one Therapy Assistant.

3. How many specialist palliative care beds are provided by the CCG for the financial year 2021-22 in the following settings?
 - In hospitals
 - In hospices
 - In nursing homes

- In another facility

Trust Response – The CCG has not funded our Trust with any Specialist Palliative care beds in any setting.

4. During the financial year 2021-22, how many visits have been made by specialist palliative care professionals employed/funded by the trust to patients who died at home?

Trust Response – The team have undertaken 357 face to face visits to people who died since April 21 that were identified by the service with a read code of 'Patient died at home'.

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