

# Knowledge and Library Services Case Study

# *Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust: OT Expansion into Inpatient Neonatal Units*

Date 26/1/21

## Reason for enquiry

*Considering potential future service expansion into inpatient neonatal units and looking at opportunities to suggest/support small changes to impact neonatal development*

## What the knowledge and library specialist did

Literature Search on the role of Occupational Therapy within Neonatal Units

Literature search on the subject of Sensory environments in Neonatal Intensive Care Units

# Impact of input from the library and knowledge service

*Very helpful to have expert resource and advise within the Library service to consider if there is evidence to support clinical ideas at the very beginning of proposing them, helps prioritise clinical time and support evidence-based practice when considering expanding scope into new areas*

## Immediate Impact

*Evidence helped demonstrate a role for OT in units and how we could impact on developmental potential for babies*

*Helped consider ‘quick wins’ in adapting neonatal environments to be more developmentally supportive and improve outcomes*

## Probable future Impact

*The neonatal critical care review has recommended increased roles for AHPs within Neonatal Units. Increasing the knowledge and evidence base in this area will helps us demonstrate to inpatient services/MDTs the benefit our specialist advise could add to care within the neonatal intensive care units with a view to working to meet the best standards of neonatal care in line with the NCCR recommendations.*

*It will be helpful when liaising with other trusts responsible for commissioning inpatient services regarding the potential commissioning to increase the role for the AHPs into inpatient setting and if successful would support ICS ways of working across trusts.*

## Name and Job Title:

*Sarah Willis – Clinical lead for Children’s Occupational Therapy*

## For further information on how you can get similar support contact your local NHS library and knowledge service.

**Submission Details**

***[To be completed by Knowledge and Library Service at the point of submission]***

**Name of Organisation**

*Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust*

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**Title of Case Study**

*OT Expansion into Inpatient Neonatal Units*

**NHS Region** *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

East of England

London

**Midlands**

North East and Yorkshire

North West

South East

South West

**Sector** *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

Acute

Acute and community

Care Trust

Clinical Commissioning Group

Commissioning Support

Community Trust

Cross-sector

Local Education and Training Board

**Mental Health**

Mental Health / Learning Disability

Mental Health / Social Care

Primary Care

Public Health

Shared Service / Informatics

Special HA

Other. If other, please specify

**Group Impacted** *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

Additional Clinical Services

Administrative and Clerical

**Allied Health Professionals**

Estates and Ancillary

Healthcare Scientists

Medicine and Dental

Multiprofessional

Patients, Carers and the Public

Nursing and Midwifery

Scientific and Technical

Students

**Impact Types** *[Make bold any of the impact types below which apply]*

Contributed to personal or professional development

**Contributed to service development or delivery**

**Facilitated collaborative working**

Health Information for Patients, Carers and the Public

**Improved the quality of patient care**

**Mobilising evidence and organisational knowledge**

**More informed decision making**

**Productivity and efficiency**

Reduced risk or improved safety

Saved money or contributed to financial effectiveness

Improved health and wellbeing of staff and learners

**Consent**

I have consent from individuals referred to in this case study to share details nationally for advocacy and promotion. *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

**Yes**

No