



**Royal Berkshire**  
NHS Foundation Trust

# Children's Community Nursing Team

Useful information  
for parents and carers

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## Our philosophy

The Children's Community Nurses believe that sick children should be nursed at home wherever possible, by their significant carers in partnership with us.

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## A service for children

We are a team of appropriately qualified children's nurses. Our aim is to meet the particular needs of children, in partnership with their families, in their own home or care setting.

We endeavour to provide a smooth transition between hospital and home by liaising with other professionals in order to provide, where possible, a comprehensive service.

We are a hospital-based team that provides a service to children in West Berkshire.

## Referrals

A referral will have been made by either a member of the paediatric ward team or your hospital consultant (paediatrician).

## How to get in touch with us

We offer a nursing service to children and their families Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm.

If your child needs treatment at the weekend you may have to return to the hospital.

Our telephone number is: 0118 322 7532

Email: [childrenscommunitynurses@royalberkshire.nhs.uk](mailto:childrenscommunitynurses@royalberkshire.nhs.uk)

Diabetes telephone number: 0118 322 8922

Nursing Team fax number: 0118 322 8038

If the telephone in the office is not answered please leave a brief message with your name and contact numbers, and a Children's Community Nurse will return your call.

We are not an emergency service; if your child is sick, please contact your GP. If, however, your child has OPEN DOOR ACCESS please telephone the wards on either:

Dolphin Ward: telephone 0118 322 8074 or 8075

Lion Ward telephone 0118 322 7515 or 7519

Or telephone the hospital switchboard on:

0118 322 5111 and ask for the on-call Paediatric Registrar to be bleeped.

## Further information:

Visit the Trust website [www.royalberkshire.nhs.uk](http://www.royalberkshire.nhs.uk)

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