

## Adult Critical Care bed state escalation grid - Nationally agreed data set

<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Unit name</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Name of the hospital, unit to include ICU / HDU, specialty if appropriate i.e. Neuro, (please avoid using acronyms in isolation). <i>(A prefix has been inserted centrally to facilitate a geographical search using NHS pathways DOS)</i>
<u>Rationale :</u>	Unique identifier and location for beds & patient activity being recorded.
<b>Column 2</b>	<b>L3 beds empty and available</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Number of Level 3 beds that are available to take a Level 3 patient immediately, subject to referral and Consultant to Consultant level acceptance, i.e. not booked or awaiting a discharge / delayed discharge.
<u>Rationale :</u>	Shows available Level 3 capacity to facilitate patient transfer for clinical /non-clinical reasons and/or for planning and escalation.
<b>Column 3</b>	<b>L2 beds empty and available</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Number of Level 2 beds that are available to take a Level 2 patient immediately, subject to referral and Consultant to Consultant level acceptance, i.e. not booked or awaiting a discharge / delayed discharge.
<u>Rationale :</u>	Shows available Level 2 capacity to facilitate patient transfer for clinical /non-clinical reasons and/or for planning and escalation.
<b>Column 4</b>	<b>Surge beds empty and available</b>
<u>Definition</u>	Number of empty additional surge beds that have been made available that are empty and available to be used immediately
<u>Rationale</u>	Provides a quick view of the available beds dedicated to surge for critical care use only
<b>Column 5</b>	<b>Total L3/L2 mix</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Total funded Level 3 / Level 2 beds on the unit - as per the Intensive Care Society (ICS) document: Levels of Critical Care for Adult patients (2009)
<u>Rationale :</u>	Provides a baseline of bed capacity against which escalation and patient need can be compared .
<b>Column 6</b>	<b>L3 Patients on Unit</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Number of Level 3 patients on the unit - as per the Intensive Care Society (ICS) document definitions: Levels of Critical Care for Adult patients (2009).
<u>Rationale :</u>	To demonstrate acuity of patients in mixed units and to inform on acuity across Networks and regions (and nationally) in times of surge. Will support potential escalation locally. Aggregated it will support escalation regionally and nationally.
<b>Column 7</b>	<b>L2 Patients on Unit</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Number of Level 2 patients on the unit - as per the Intensive Care Society (ICS) document definitions: Levels of Critical Care for Adult patients (2009)
<u>Rationale :</u>	To demonstrate acuity of patients in mixed units and to inform on acuity across Networks and regions (and nationally) in times of surge. Will support potential escalation locally. Aggregated it will support escalation regionally and nationally
<b>Column 8</b>	<b>L1/0 Patients on Unit</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Number of Level 1/0 patients on the unit - as per the Intensive Care Society (ICS) document definitions: Levels of Critical Care for Adult patients (2009).
<u>Rationale :</u>	To show number of Level 1/0 patients in units that are awaiting discharge from ICU and may indicate difficulty in accessing "patient step down" to appropriate ward level beds.
<b>Column 9</b>	<b>L3 Surge beds used</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	The number of L3 patients being managed outside designated critical care beds (i.e. theatres, recovery, escalation areas). This is NOT to capture patients that have gone to theatre for surgery or to CT etc.
<u>Rationale</u>	To identify the potentially unmet patient need for critical care beds in periods of surge. To support targeted escalation of response and/or support planning and commissioning of bed capacity.
<b>Column 10</b>	<b>L2 Surge bed used</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	The number of L2 patients being managed outside designated critical care beds (i.e. theatres, recovery, escalation areas). This is NOT to capture patients that have gone to theatre for surgery or to CT etc.

<u>Rationale :</u>	To identify the potentially unmet patient need for critical care beds in periods of surge. To support targeted escalation of response and/or support planning and commissioning of bed capacity.
<b>Column 11</b>	<b>Beds Committed</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Total number of beds booked on the unit for any incoming patients, including repatriations.
<u>Rationale :</u>	To ensure beds remain available for expected incoming patients.
<b>Column 12</b>	<b>Critcon Score</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Critcon score on the unit at time of completing the grid
<u>Rationale :</u>	Critcon scoring is specific for critical care therefore wall units will record the same information
<b>Column 13</b>	<b>Service Notes</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Permits display of "free text" message.
<b>Column 12</b>	<b>Function buttons /Icons</b>
<u>Definition:</u>	Hyperlinks to Critical Care Pages