



CHILDREN'S HEALTH

On the top floor, the new Children's Health department will have two higher dependency beds, an assessment unit and an adolescent area. The unit has predominantly single rooms with space for parents and carers to stay if necessary.



It will have safe spaces inside and outside for play and socialising and there will be kitchen facilities for families to use.

There will be a new dedicated Gully's Place suite to provide privacy and dignity for patients and their families when they need it. Gully's Place is a space specially designed for infants, children and young people and their families at the end-of-life but is also used for bereavement support and to help families with the transition to home care after hospital.

THE NEW CRITICAL CARE UNIT

Each year, there are approximately 200 NHS staff members caring for over 1,400 patients in the Critical Care Unit (sometimes called Intensive Care). The new unit will have 30 beds, making it one of the biggest critical care units in the country.

This is seven more beds than currently provided at Poole and The Royal Bournemouth Hospitals combined.

The new unit will have larger areas around the beds for easier access with equipment and there will be more single rooms, including 6 specialist isolation rooms to help reduce infection risk and improve the patient and working environments.

The new unit is located close to the Emergency Department and theatres to transfer patients as quickly as possible.



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With every change we are aiming to transform care together for everybody across Dorset and beyond. Please back The BEACH Appeal and support us in raising funds for the additional extra items, which are not funded by the NHS.

TAKING OUR HOSPITALS INTO THE FUTURE

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TRANSFORMING CARE TOGETHER

So far, over 10,000 hours has been put into developing the plans for our future services from doctors, nurses, allied health professionals and many others, as well as patients and visitors. This is to ensure the designs are future proofed as much as possible and will improve care for generations to come.

The new facilities are described as a 'once in a generation opportunity' because this new building at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital will include a new purpose-built maternity unit, children's unit, enhanced emergency department and one of the largest critical care units in the country.

Also, as part of the development plans, we've built the Dorset Pathology Hub - a modern facility that will be providing laboratory services for the whole of Dorset.

You can learn more about each area of the BEACH building in this leaflet.

To help transform our hospitals, our hospital charity has also launched its largest-ever appeal. The charity aims to raise funds for a variety of additional items that will ensure the new BEACH building has everything it needs to propel our healthcare into the future.

These additional items are above and beyond what the NHS will fund, but we believe they will make a difference for future patients. You can read more about the charity's involvement in the letter accompanying this flyer.

WHAT IS THE BEACH BUILDING AND WHY DO WE CALL IT THAT?

This is the new 6-storey high building that has extended The Royal Bournemouth Hospital site. This new building is the same size as 115 tennis courts. It is known as the BEACH building to our NHS colleagues because it reflects the services it will provide for Births, Emergency, Critical Care and Children's Health.

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EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

The new purpose-built Emergency Department will be larger than both existing emergency departments at Poole and the Royal Bournemouth Hospital put together. By consolidating our emergency care, this will benefit around 2,800 patients each year by improving clinical decisions due to having better oversight. Overall, this could give around 4,100 patients quicker access to treatment, as patient transfers from each site can be avoided.



"The midwife-led units across Bournemouth and Poole will merge and be located in the new Maternity Unit to reduce the number of ambulance transfers for women in labour between hospital sites. This consolidation of skilled care enables higher quality care that 4,400 women will benefit from."

Kerry Taylor,
head of midwifery



Dr Harry Adlington, emergency medicine consultant and UHD clinical director for emergency and urgent care

THE NEW MATERNITY UNIT

It is estimated that 4,400 women will benefit from an improved birth experience as a result of the new maternity unit.

Staff and local residents have been waiting over 30 years for this, especially as it will be on the same site as the Emergency Department, Critical Care Unit and Children's Health department.

It will have; 16 birthing rooms in total on the delivery ward, 7 rooms with pools, 4 standard rooms, 2 rooms for twin births, 2 specialist bereavement rooms and 1 higher dependency room.

"At the heart of our plans is a necessity to improve the flow of emergency patients throughout our hospitals and most importantly, to provide them with a better experience whilst under our care."