

How can the team be contacted?

While you are under hospital at home you can contact the nurse 8am to 9.30pm on:

Tel: 07557 202 900

Please note this is not an emergency service

In an emergency
Call 999 for an ambulance

If you need more urgent advice at night please contact the hospital who referred you to the service

Whittington Hospital: 0207 272 3070

University College Hospital: 0780 385 3567

Ask for Paediatric Registrar on call

For non-urgent enquiries Contact

Islington Community Children's Generalist Nursing team

Northern Health Centre 580 Holloway Road, N7 6LB 09.00 to 17.30 Monday to Friday Telephone 0203 316 1950 Whittington Health Magdala Avenue London N19 5NF

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Hospital at Home For Children and Young People

A guide for you and your family



What is Hospital at Home?

Hospital at Home is a specialist nursing service. Community children's' nurses provide support at home while you remain under the care of the hospital consultant and wider team

We may be able to either

- Support early discharge from hospital or
- Avoid your admission to hospital completely

Who are we?

We are a team of specialist nurses and a hospital based medical and allied health professionals team that have the skills and knowledge to provide nursing advice, treatment, training and support for sick infants, children and young people

Who is the service for?

Infants, children and young people who are acutely unwell and in need of specialist nursing support and who are registered with an Islington GP

Who do we work with?

The community nurses work with doctors, nursing staff and other health specialists at **UCLH** and the **Whittington Hospital** and local community health services

How does it work?

If you are ill and the doctor treating you thinks you may benefit from the Hospital at Home service s/he will phone the team to see if they are able to provide the treatment you need at home. S/he will pass on your medical and contact details.

The nurse will contact you to arrange an appointment

The nurse will visit your home to complete a nursing assessment and provide monitoring, support and treatments as planned.

This may be for one or two visits or for a longer period if required

Medical Care

While under the Hospital at home team your medical care will continue to be decided by your medical consultant and the wider hospital team.

After Care

Once discharged from Hospital @Home please see your GP about any medical need. The community children's' nurses may continue to visit if required following discharge. You may be given an outpatient's appointment at the hospital if necessary



Examples of common conditions seen by hospital at home children's nurses

Serious infections (e.g. resolving sepsis)

Gastroenteritis

Asthma

Infected eczema

Cellulitis

Peri-orbital cellulitis

Bronchiolitis with home oxygen

Wheeze

Pneumonia

Croup

Babies with feeding difficulties

Febrile Convulsions.

Jaundice and phototherapy

Twice/three times daily IV antibiotics