

### Radio System Survey Conducted End of April 1996 including Updates

Ward	Loan Radio Access	Bedheads	Available Bedheads	Headsets Missing	Volume Missing	Tuner Missing	Notes
1	36	27	1	26	19	19	HAND HELD UNITS ON THIS WARD, THE MAJORITY HAVE BEEN REMOVED.
2	-	-	-	-	-	-	NEW BEDHEAD UNITS INSTALLED DURING RENOVATION WORK 1995. NOT LINKED TO SYSTEM DUE TO INADEQUATE CABLE SPECIFICATION.
3	40	30	30	0	0	0	RENOVATION TO WARD SUMMER 97 ALL BEDHEADS HAVE HAD CONTROL UNITS REPLACED COMPLETE WITH HEADSETS.
4	36	29+1	3	27	3	7	ONE BEDHEAD HAS BEEN REMOVED COMPLETELY
5	36	29+2	5	26	4	7	TWO BEDHEAD POSITIONS HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY REMOVED.
6	NO	23	0	23	23	23	WARD STRIPPED OUT, SOME SIDE ROOMS HAVE NO BEDHEADS PROVIDED
7	NO	15	0	15	0	0	BEDHEAD SERVICES CUT DURING RENOVATION WORK 1995/6. NOT RESTORED. DAYROOM/BREAKFAST ROOM SPEAKERS ALSO REMOVED. LOAN RADIO SERVICE TRIED ON THIS WARD LATTER HALF 96 NOT VIABLE.
8	36	28	22	6	0	0	1997- 36 LOAN RADIOS ADDED TO WARD IN ADDITION TO NEW AERIALS WHICH IMPROVES NIGHT TIME LISTENING.
10	38	25	0	25	9	5	BEDHEAD CHANNELS DIFFERENT TO REST OF HOSPITAL. BEDHEAD SERVICE CABLE CUT IN 1988.
11	NO	-	-	-	-	-	EMI UNIT MAIN SYSTEM DOWN NO SERVICE ON BEDHEADS
12	NO	-	-	-	-	-	EMI UNIT MAIN SYSTEM DOWN NO SERVICE ON BEDHEADS
14	NO	-	-	-	-	-	EMI UNIT MAIN SYSTEM DOWN NO SERVICE ON BEDHEADS
15	NO	-	-	-	-	-	EMI UNIT MAIN SYSTEM DOWN NO SERVICE ON BEDHEADS
TOTALS	222	209	61	148	58	61	THESE FIGURES DO NOT INCLUDE THE BEDHEAD COUNT ON THE HDU OR EMI UNIT, AS THESE DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE SYSTEM AND ACCESS FOR COUNT IS DIFFICULT.

#### Summary

If we were to take the figures as they are: we would find that at any one time only **61 people can actually listen to the radio services on the bedhead system throughout the hospital out of a possible 209: of which 22 patients would have to be on ward 8 and 30 on ward 3.** In reality this figure of 61 will be lower because the plastic headsets are not at the bed of someone who wants to listen added to which although we have counted 61, these are also damaged with the ear pieces missing etc. This puts the patient off from using the facility. The count for tuners/volume missing control knobs is only a visual survey. Some of the existing bedheads with full controls may be damaged inside, as has proved to be the case when actually trying some of them.

It's a damning report of the failure of the maintenance of the bedhead system and clearly shows the reliance which has now been placed upon the inductive loop facility.

Note:- The bedhead count is actual bedheads and not the amount of beds on the ward.

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