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You asked

We are undertaking a review of hospitals within the UK to see if superstition plays any role in the numbering of bed spaces or wards; focusing on the number 13. We would like to know the following:

- 1. Do any of the hospitals within your trust have numbered wards? If so, which?**

UHP does not have numbered wards – All wards are named

- 2. Of these hospitals, do any have a ward numbered 13? If so, which?**

As above

- 3. Additionally, these hospitals with numbered wards, are there wards numbered 12 and 14? (i.e. suggesting the intentional omission of a ward 13) If so, which hospitals?**

As above

- 4. Do the wards in your hospitals have numbered bed spaces? If so, which?**

Each ward bay contains 4,5 or 6 beds which are numbered 1 to 6 – these numbers are not displayed – this is for ease of reference e.g. when serving meals

- 5. Of these hospitals, do any of the wards have a bed space 13? If so, which?**

No

- 6. Additionally, these hospital wards with numbered bed spaces, are there bed spaces numbered 12 and 14? (i.e. suggesting the intentional omission of a bed space 13) If so, which hospitals?**

No

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