

What does PICANet do?

PICANet is a project helping to continually improve how we treat and care for very sick children.

You don't need to do anything for your child to be included.

Why is PICANet important?

Paediatric critical care units already collect information during your child's admission. We use this information to find out the best treatment and care for children.

Will the information be safe?

We send and receive all information in a very safe way. We keep it stored confidentially in a secure electronic environment. No-one can see the information, unless it is their job to do so.

This unit collects Level 2 critical care data for



Paediatric Intensive Care Audit Network

An international database of paediatric critical care in the United Kingdom and Ireland run by the Universities of Leeds & Leicester

How can I find out more information?

Talk to the doctors and nurses on your unit who can provide you with an information leaflet. Or speak to PICANet staff directly on 0113 3438125, email picanet@leeds.ac.uk, or visit our website

www.picanet.org.uk



Does my child have to be included?

The National Data Opt-Out is not applied to clinical audit data received from English paediatric critical care services. This is because the absence of even one child's data can change the findings and have implications in identifying varying levels of quality of care across England.

However, if you do not want information which would identify your child included, please tell the nurse or doctor caring for your child or contact PICANet.

You are free to withdraw your child's personal identifiers at any time. The decision to withdraw will not alter the care your child receives in this or any other hospital.

