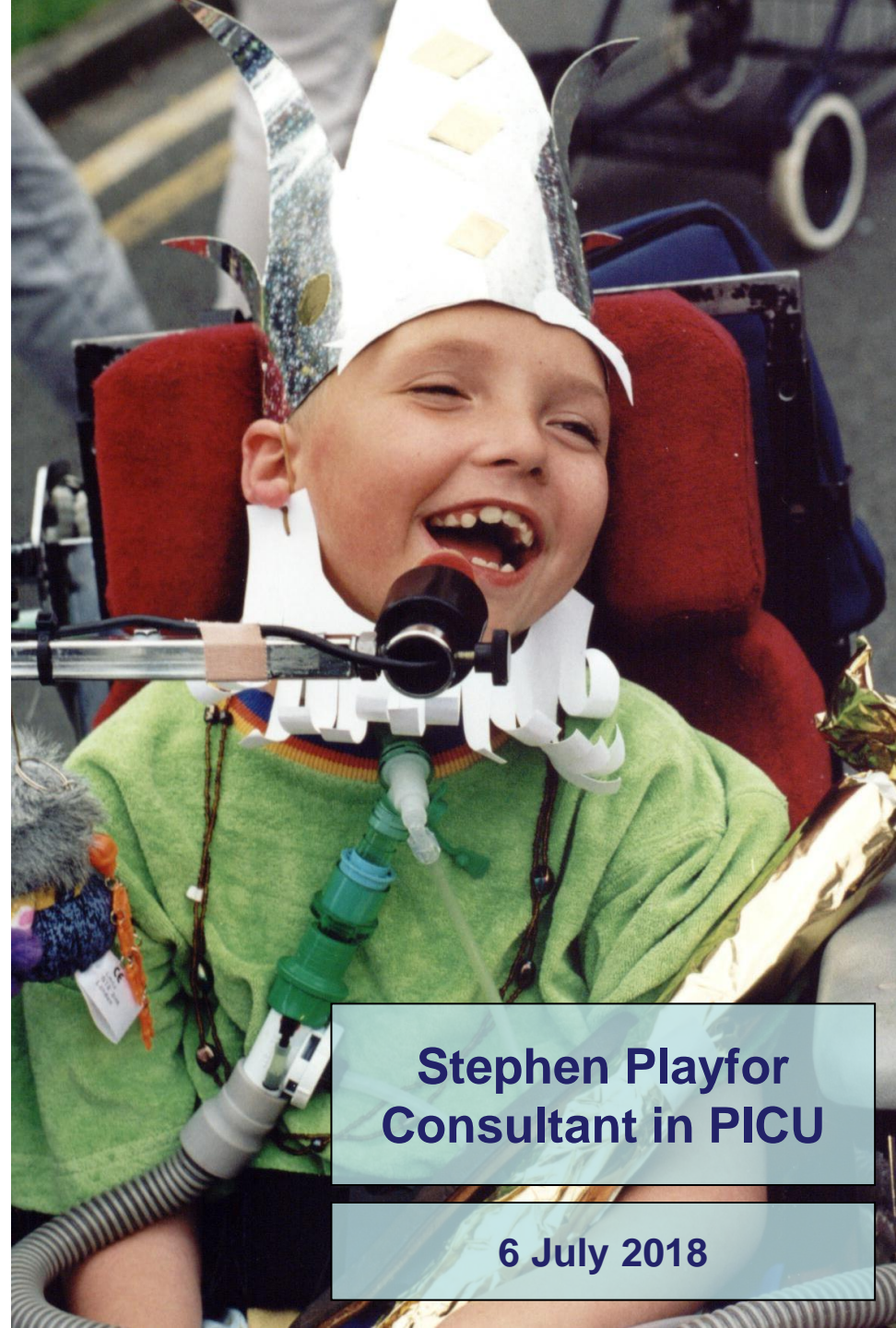


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# **DEFINITIONS**



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## An Official ATS Responding to Intensive Care

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THIS OFFICIAL POLICY STATEMENT  
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# Making decisions to limit treatment in life-limiting and life-threatening conditions in children: a framework for practice

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The RCPCH believes that there are three sets of circumstances when treatment limitation can be considered because it is no longer in the child's best interests to continue, because treatments cannot provide overall benefit

1. When life is of limited quantity
2. When life is of limited quality
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# Definitions used in 2006

The following definitions were used.

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## Introduction

Over recent years there have been increasing concerns regarding an increase in the number of futile and inappropriate admissions to Paediatric Intensive Care Units (PICUs) in the United Kingdom (UK). These patients are staying on the PICU for long time and consume up to 1/3 of resources and as intensivists we have ethical obligation to avoid treatments that are not beneficial to the patient. This prompted us to obtain a snapshot opinion of the paediatric intensivists across UK to determine the extent of futile and inappropriate admissions.

## Methods

A postal questionnaire was sent to the directors of all UK PICUs identified through the Paediatric Intensive Care Society. Respondents were asked to give details of all patients on their unit at the time including age, reason for admission and any pre-existing medical conditions. Finally an assessment was made by respondents of whether the care being provided in each case was, in their opinion, either futile or inappropriate. All questionnaires were completed on the same day in order to obtain a snapshot of current practice. The following definitions were used.

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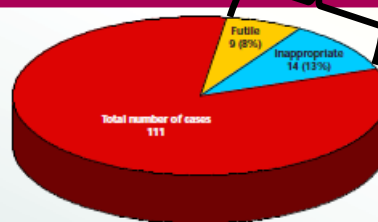
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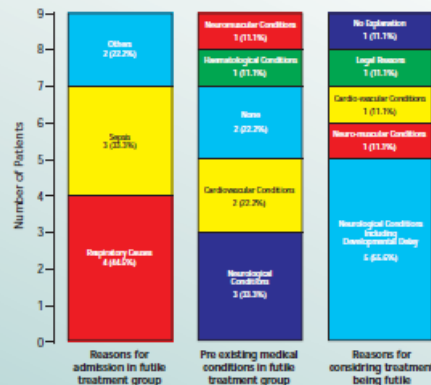
We received responses from 21 units (68%) who reported the details of 111 patients. Care was felt to be futile in 9 of these cases (8%) and inappropriate in a further 14 cases (13%). Futile cases were most commonly admitted with respiratory failure and had pre-existing medical conditions, most commonly neurological and neuromuscular conditions including developmental delay. Where care was felt to be inappropriate, respiratory failure was the most common reason for admission and ALL

**21% Futile or Inappropriate**

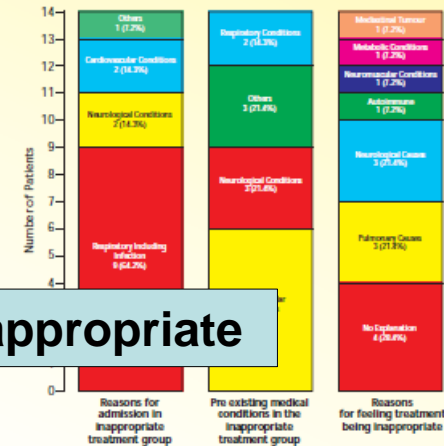
### Number of Cases v Admissions



### Futile Treatment Group (9 Cases)



### Inappropriate Admission (14 cases)



## Conclusion

The care provided in 21% of the PICU admissions described in this study was felt to be either futile or inappropriate by the directors of those units. Facilities and resources for intensive care treatment for paediatric age group are limited in UK. Identification of patients where treatment was felt to be futile has shown to be cost effective in adult ICU and as intensivists we should avoid unnecessary prolongation of the suffering of the child. Although we as doctors are not very good at predicting the outcome in a given patient we have an ethical obligation to avoid those treatments where there is no net benefit to the patient. Futile and inappropriate PICU admissions could easily fall into this category.

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Bed 9 Day 20		14/04/18 Blackpool	Infantile Pompe's Cardiomyopathy Muscular weakness Microcephaly Gross motor delay Paroxysmal SVT Sleep disorder breathing Recurrent Tonsillitis	Transfer AHCH Respiratory weak – Parainfluenza CAP (RLL)  Own portable vent from Respiratory	R diaphragmatic palsy Pseudomonas in ETA Failed extubation 18/04  Extubated 12.30 01/05 -reintubated 02/05  RLL collapse	A: nE11 5.0 microcuff 18.5cm B: BIPAP/ASS 22/10, FIO2 0.5 C: Atenolol 15mg BD QDS D: Appropriate/PRN chloral E: Full EN S: Afebrile, ceftazidime for pseudomonas- complete 14/7 (started 26/4)	Saline neb for thicker secretions  <b>Summary updated 01/05/18</b>
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Bed 18 Day 2	01/05/18 PED	Out of hospital VP arrest  Incidental finding of Chiari malformation	Neuroprotection Troponin 59 (1-14)	Hypothermic Troponin 59 (1-14)  Tox neg	A: DETT B: SIMV TV 350mls, PEEP 5 rate 20, 0.25% C: HR 95 SR with ventricular ectopics, Noradrenaline D: Fent 3.5, Midaz 3.5mg/hr F: 70% IVF G: ranitidine S: acyclovir, ceftriaxone	<b>Clearly timeline of events</b> Neuroprotect 48 hrs Keep electrolytes up  24 hour ECG tape (on) ?? may need ICD pre discharge (Krasl) Brugada screen/test Genetic screen for LQTS Cardiomyopathy screening MRI brain
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Bed 3 Day 3		30/04/2018	A&E	Methylmalonic acidemia	Acute decompensation	Metabolic acidosis Dehydration Loss of weight 10% Lactic acidosis NH3 235 – 130 – 82 Na 163	A: Own B: SVIA/ acidotic C: Unsupported D: Appropriate F: 120% IV maint + 10% dehydration correction IV levo carnitine	BG before ward to check Potassium and Ca Discharge to ward  <b>Summary started 02.05.18</b>

Bed 18 Day 2		01/05/18	PED	Subcutaneous VP arrest	Neuroprotection	Hypothermia Troponin 59 (1-14) Tox neg	A: SIMV TV 350mls, PEEP 5 rate 20, 0.25% C: HR 95 SR with ventricular ectopics, Noradrenaline D: Fent 3.5, Midaz 3.5mg/hr F: 70% IVF G: ranitidine S: acyclovir, ceftriaxone	Clarity timetable of events Neuroprotect 48 hrs Keep electrolytes up  24 hour ECG tape (on) ?? may need ICD pre discharge (Krasl) Brugada screen/test Genetic screen for LQTS Cardiomyopathy screening MRI brain
Bed 20 Day 12		22/4/18	HDU	Meningomyelocele repaired Arnold chiari 2 malformation VP shunt Tracheomalacia Neuropathic bladder Gastroesophageal reflux Unsafe swallow Post aortopexy (Dec 2017)	- LRTI - recurrent apnoeas ( ? obstructive)	Rhinovirus +ve Increased WOB since 18/4/18 UTI / temp spikes since 12/4/18 Fungal balls b/l kidneys CT brain : no shunt dysfunction Enoxaparin for left femoral thrombus	A: 4 NETT 14 cm B: BiPAP/ASB 15/6 f15 30% C: stable, left femoral thrombus - enoxaparin D: Chloral F: 100% feeds S: Ambsosome 19/4/18 Tazocin 30/4/18  PICC line culture sterile CRP 12	Wean ventilation          <b>Summary updated 24/4/18</b>
Bed 21 Day 3	DG	30/4	Theatres	Ex 20/40 Subglottic stenosis GORD NG fed Rt sided aortic arch + aberrant subclavian	Post-op: single stage laryngeal reconstruction	Keep paralysed 48hrs Low BP  PCT < 0.1 (03/05)	A: nETT 4.5 uncuffed, 14cm B: BiPAP/ASB 14/5, FIO2 0.3 C: stable D: fent, midaz, roc Chloral + clonidine F: NG feeds S: co-amox	Keep 14v until end of week with dex pre-extubation Reduce IV sedation  ?stop roc 03/05 pm

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Bed	Name DOB	DOA+ Base Hospital	Diagnosis and Relevant Background	Reason for admission	Current Issues	Systems	Plan
7 Day 16		Stepping Hill	AVSD repair at AHCH-May 2017 MV stenosis & regurg	effusion Pul. hypertension LAVV stenosis – for surgery	ETA(27/04) Persistent RML collapse/consol C: no support Alder Hey PRBC transfusion(28/4)  NPA - negative	@ 14cm, grade 1 B: BIPAP/ASB 16/10 116 FIO2 0.50 C: no support D: Chloral QDS F: 80% maint, NG feeds furosemide & spiro S: Cefaz, gent, CRP 6	Referred to NWTs (1890) Daily child profile, CRP Twice weekly FECB Chase rpt ETA Discuss abx with micro If FIO2 >0.6 rpt CXR <b>Summary updated 01/05/18</b>
8 Day 3		01/05/18 PED	Bears-Stevenson Syndrome and visual difficulties VP shunt	Seizure CT: increased ventricular size → shunt revision catheter noted to be stuck in ventricle→ new catheter passed	CT: increased ventricular size → shunt revision catheter noted to be stuck in ventricle→ new catheter passed	A: trachostomy B: BIPAP/ASB (20/10 120/21%) C: stable D: no further seizures, CSF normal S: nil	
8 Day 20		14/04/18 Blackpool	Infantile Pompe's Cardiomyopathy Muscular weakness Microcephaly Gross motor delay Paroxysmal SVT Sleep disorder breathing Recurrent Tonsillitis	Transfer AHCH Respiratory wasm – Parainfluenza CAP (RLL)  Own portable vent from Respiratory	R diaphragmatic palsy Pseudomonas in ETA Failed extubation 18/04  Extubated 12.30 01/05 -reintubated 02/05  RLL collapse	A: nETT 5.0 microcuff 18.5cm B: BIPAP/ASB 22/10, FIO2 0.5 C: Attenolol 15mg q 5hr D: Appropriate/PRN chloral E: Full EN S: Afebrile, ceftazidime for pseudomonas- complete 14/7 (started 26/04)	Saline neb for thicker secretions       <b>Summary updated 01/05/18</b>
8 Day 3		1/5/18 Theatres	Ex-prem 32/40 Oesophageal atresia Multiple anastomosis GORD- Fundo CLD Recurrent LRTI	Post op right bronch- oesophageal fistula repair, re- anastomosis & R thoracotomy	Post op recovery 50ml/kg plasma/lyte+ 15ml/kg PRBC introp  Self extubation- reintubated 2.5.18	A: 4.5 uncuffed 13cm B: BIPAP/ASB 20/6 22RPM/0.60 C: stable D: Midax 300mcg, fentanyl 4mcg, F: 70% maintenance IVF S: Cefuroxime/ metronidazole 5/7	Start steroid – after d/w surg For 48hr pre ext Surg review re TAT and feed
11 Day 35		24/03/18 Blackburn	Term Poor foetal weight gain VSD + ASD Ch 16 microdeletion	Collapsed neonate – presumed secondary to cardiac failure	Cardiac failure Cardiomegaly+ pulm vaso dilatation Cerebral haemorrhages Failed extubation twice Yeast on ETAs 9/4	A: nETT 3 mm cuffed 11cm B: BIPAP/ASB 14/5, R10, 21% C: Unsupported D: Reg chloral + alimem F: 120ml/kg/NG feeds (wt 2.7kg) Furosemide, spironolact	Chase AHCH bad Abx + micafungin if unwell For MR at 6months or before cardiac surgery Referred to NWTs (1891) <b>Summary updated 25/4/18</b>
Bed 13 Day 4		30/04/2018 PED	Left side intracranial space occupying lesion and Rt side midline shift Subfalcine herniation Thymidine phosphorylase deficiency Mitochondrial Neurogastrintestinal encephalopathy Diabetes BMT Nov 2017 TPN dependent	ICP management	Intracranial hypertension Subfalcine herniation Post brain bx + ICP monitor insertion	A: oral ETT at 20cm B: Vol control low vent settings C: Noadr. + Adr D: Mida 300, Fent 4, Roc 1000 Thio infusion 3mg/kg/hr Temp 35, Paracetamol F: NBM S: merlo/metronidazole/acyclovir a/w tissue/CSF micro	TPN when available Thio boluses Monitor UO
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- Inappropriate treatment;  $6/12 = 50\%$ 
  - Treatment is extremely unlikely to be beneficial, is extremely costly or is of uncertain benefit
- Futile treatment;  $2/12 = 17\%$ 
  - The care provided will not have the desired outcome or accomplish its intended goals

**Futile or inappropriate treatment; 2006 = 21%, 2018 = 67%**



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## Tools for revealing uncomfortable truths? Measuring child-centred health-related quality of life after paediatric intensive care

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The benefits of paediatric critical care for critically ill children have been self-evident. Mortality rates for critically ill children have declined dramatically [1]. The greatest gains are occurring in higher-risk groups in whom the impact of paediatric critical care was previously questioned. Indeed, compared to those with malignancies [2] fare better and require a more optimistic approach than has been thought [3].

In this edition of *Intensive Care Medicine*, M. J. Aspesberro et al. [4] further this point: that mortality per se has ceased to be a meaningful outcome measure for the majority of paediatric intensive care admissions. Their response is to attempt to identify more meaningful outcome measures from the health-related quality of life (HRQL) literature published between 1980 and 2015 in the context of paediatric critical care.

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provision of paediatric intensive care is associated with increased morbidity [5]. Why? Perhaps at least in part because there has been a shift in PICU casemix from 'acute' to 'acute on chronic' critical illness. A recent study from the USA identified that 53 % of critically ill children had pre-existing chronic complex illnesses [6]. This change has many implications. One major implication is that the HRQL outcomes that might be hoped for many of our patients are becoming more distinct from those of previously healthy children [7].

This subject is important, because paediatric intensive care is costly: for the child, their family and society.

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acute illness to one healthy most of the time as the emphasis is on “complete” well-being. Moreover, the WHO definition of the multidisciplinary approach to children’s health looks after children with chronic illness’

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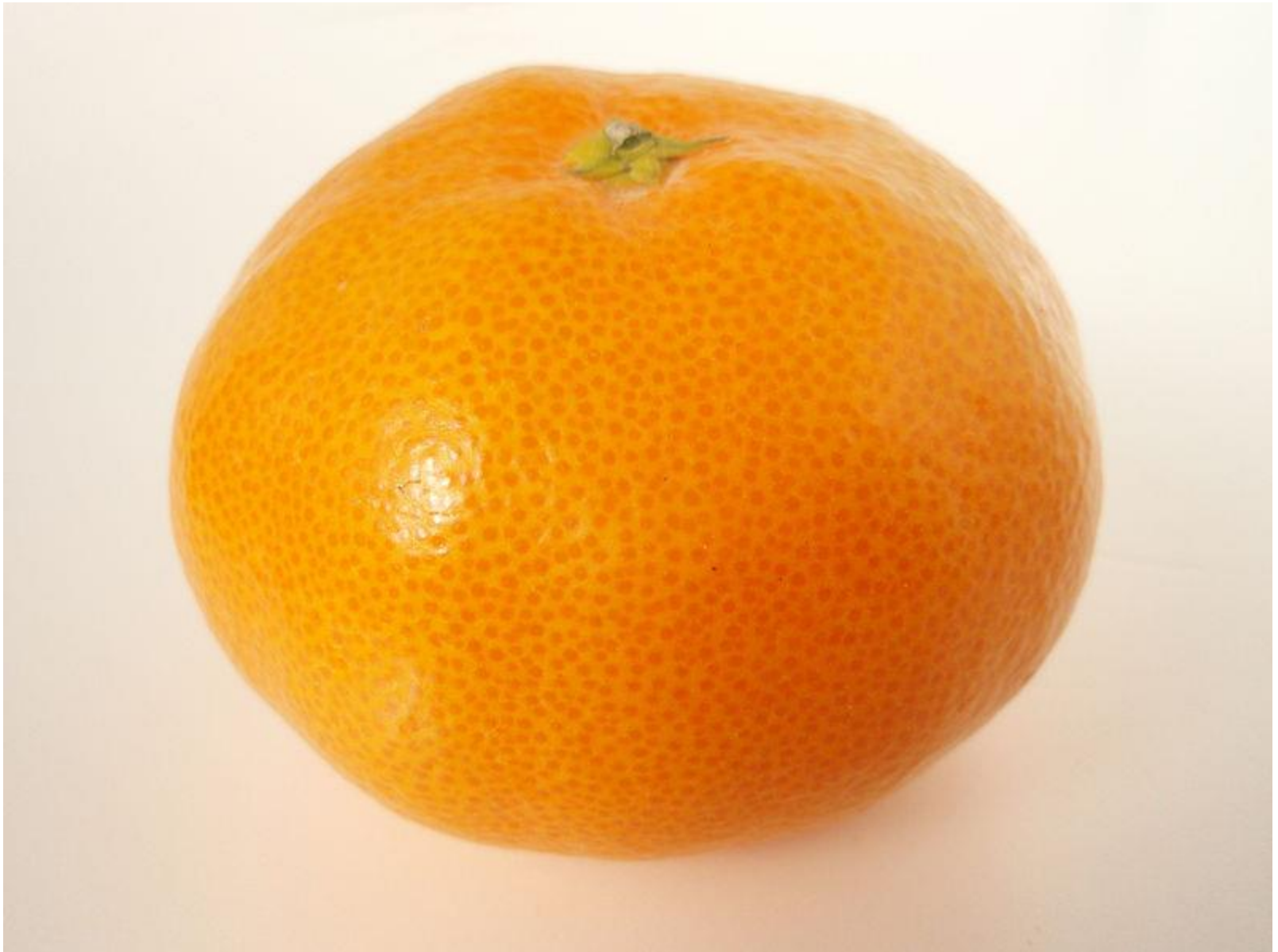
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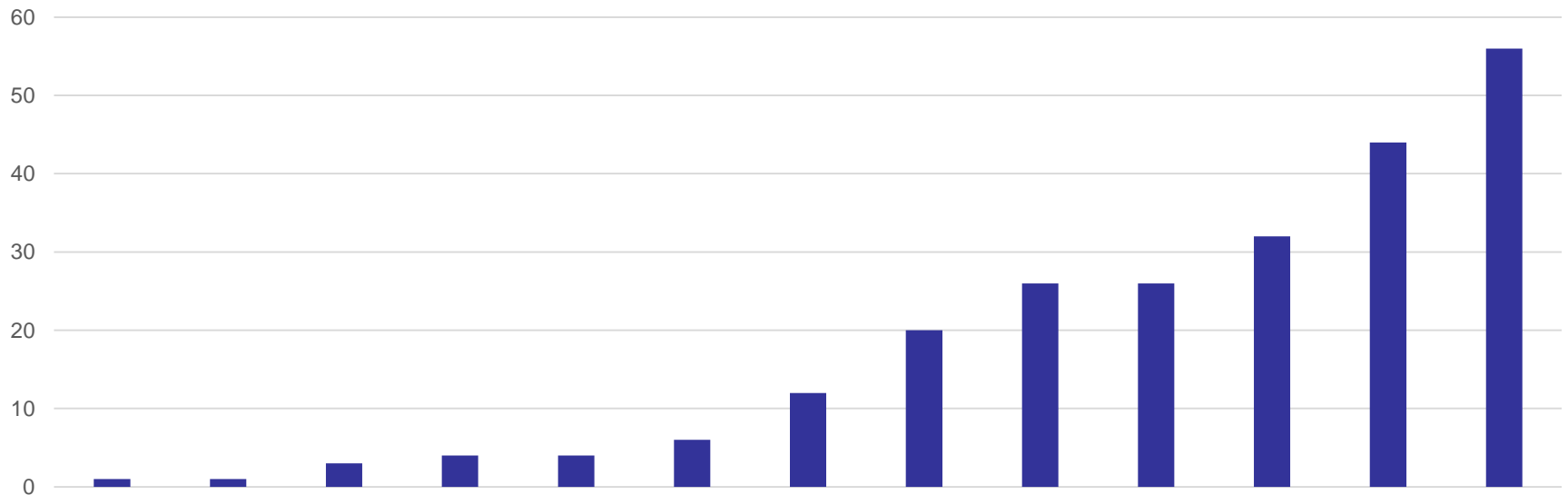
- Paediatric Intensive Care Society (PICS)
- Child Health Ethics and Law Special Interest Group (CHELSIG)
- Retrospective review;
  - Increasing numbers (esp last 5 years)
  - Duration of legal process
    - Either a few days or 5-9 months
- Prospective database

# Methods

- All UK PICUs over last 5 years
- Focus on England
  - situations different in Scotland & Ireland
- 26 centres initial response including Manchester
- Currently have data on 17 cases
- 13 cases under 1yr of age
  - 2 children aged 2yrs, 1 child aged 14yrs

# PICU Admission Duration

Number of Weeks PICU Admission



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# **IMPACT OF PROLONGED PICU ADMISSION**

# Impact of prolonged PICU admission

- Ethical
  - Child; prolonged treatment not in their best interest
  - Families; disruption, siblings, costs
  - Staff; medical and nursing staff
- Financial
  - 1 day of PICU admission = £2,400
  - Legal costs
- Resources
  - Median PICU admission = 3.5 days
- Performance indicators for PICU

# Impact on nursing staff

Louise Harrison, Year 5 Medical Student, APEP Project

Qualitative research into the impact on nursing staff  
Semi-structured interviews with 24 members of staff

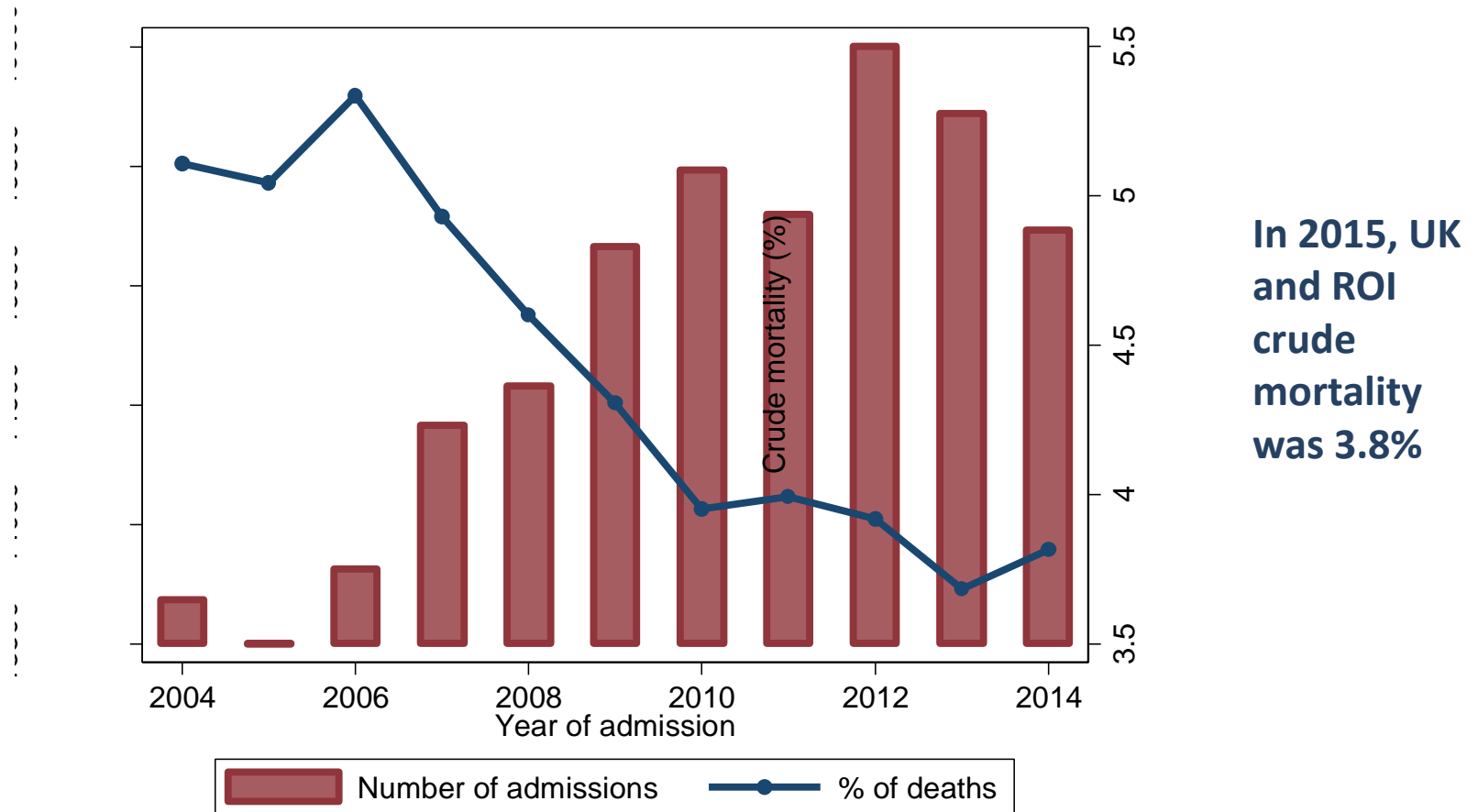
1. Does caring for these children impact on your mood, and if so how?
2. Do you have any personal or religious beliefs that may influence how you view these situations?
3. Have you ever considered changing jobs due to the nature of these cases?

# Themes identified

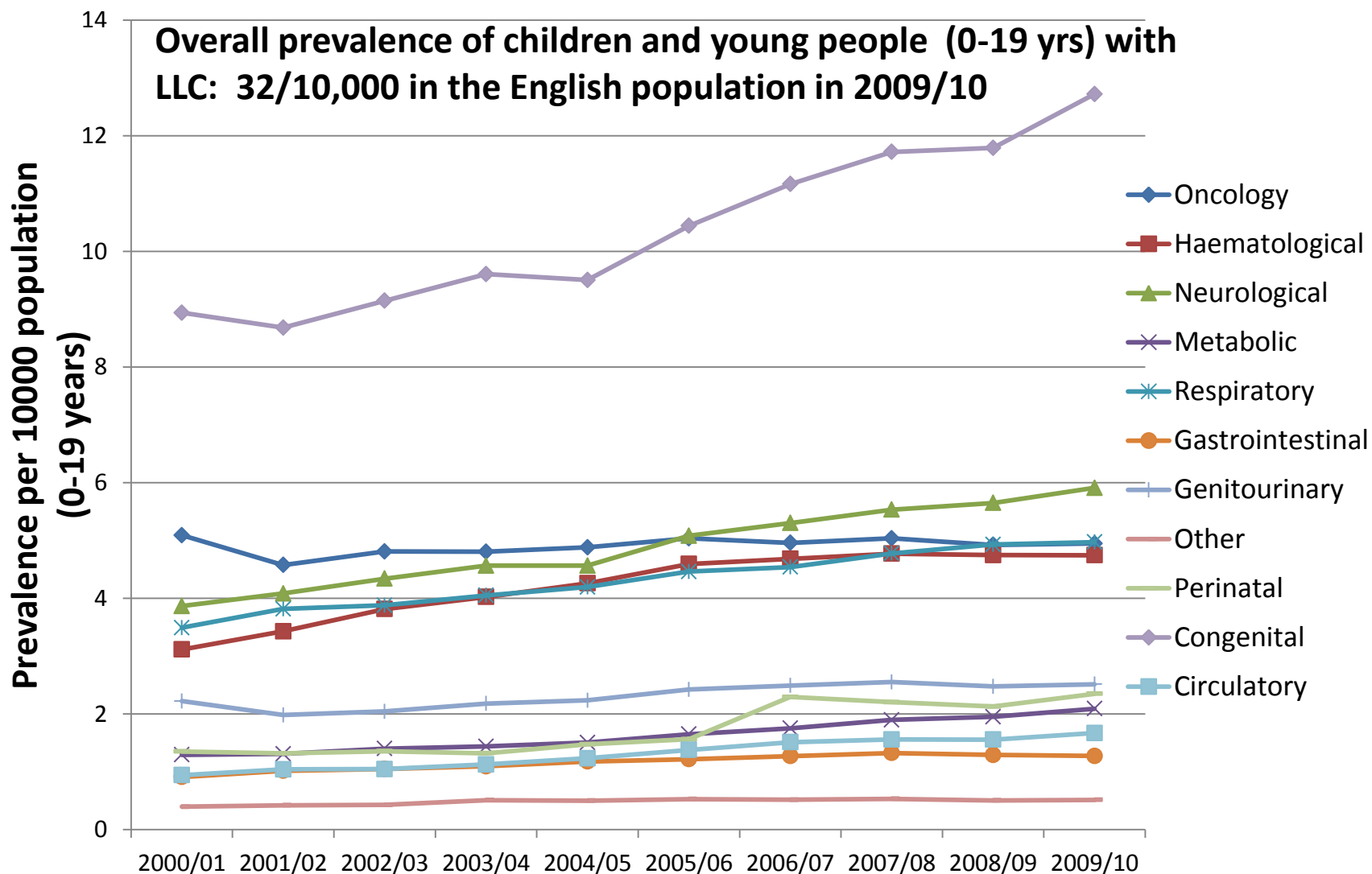
- Emotional impact
  - More impact on the most junior nurses
- Mood
  - Negative impact on mood
    - Sadness, helplessness, frustration
  - Prolongation of suffering & 'torture'

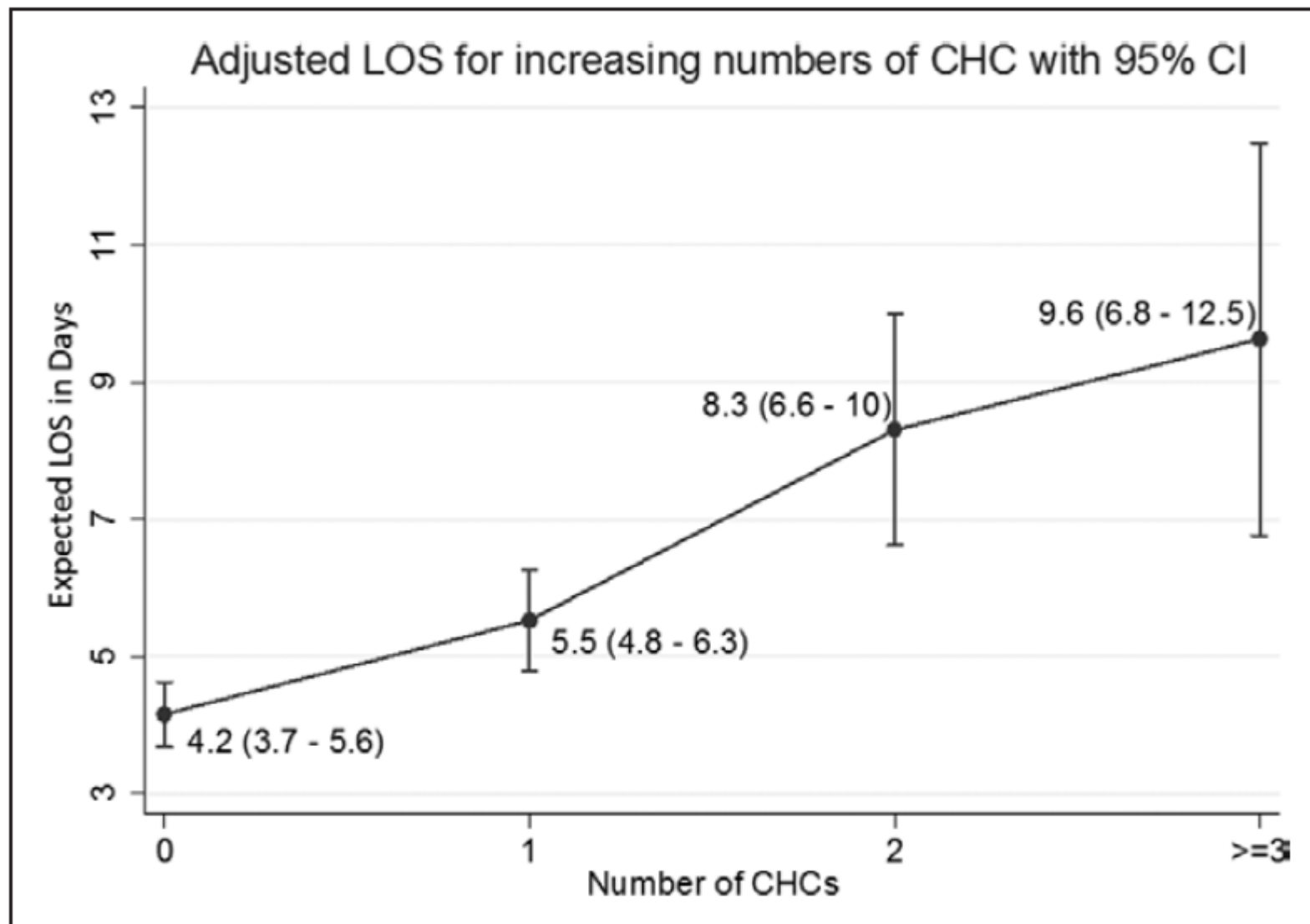
'Can you imagine how it feels when you know your actions are causing a child to suffer?'

# PICU Performance indicators



## CONTEXT: INCREASE IN PREVALENCE OF LIFE-LIMITING CONDITIONS (LLC)





### The Impact of Chronic Health Conditions on Length of Stay and Mortality in a General PICU\*

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# Children with life-limiting conditions in paediatric intensive care units: a national cohort, data linkage study

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## ABSTRACT

**Objective** To determine how many children are admitted to paediatric intensive care unit (PICU) with life-limiting conditions (LLCs) and their outcomes.

**Design** National cohort, data-linkage study.

**Setting** PICUs in England.

**Patients** Children admitted to a UK PICU (1 January 2004 and 31 March 2015) were identified in the Paediatric Intensive Care Audit Network dataset. Linkage to hospital episodes statistics enabled identification of children with a LLC using an International Classification of Diseases (ICD10) code list.

**Main outcome measures** Random-effects logistic regression was undertaken to assess risk of death in PICU. Flexible parametric survival modelling was used to assess survival in the year after discharge.

**Results** Overall, 57.6% (n=89 127) of PICU admissions and 72.90% (n=4821) of deaths in PICU were for an individual with a LLC. The crude mortality rate in PICU was 5.4% for those with a LLC and 2.7% of those without a LLC. In the fully adjusted model, children with a LLC were 75% more likely than those without a LLC to die in PICU (OR 1.75 (95% CI 1.64 to 1.87)). Although overall survival to 1 year postdischarge was 96%, children with a LLC were 2.5 times more likely to die in that year than children without a LLC (OR 2.59 (95% CI 2.47 to 2.71)).

**Conclusions** Children with a LLC accounted for a large proportion of the PICU population. There is an opportunity to integrate specialist paediatric palliative care services with paediatric critical care to enable choice around place of care for these children and families.

## INTRODUCTION

Life-limiting conditions (LLCs) are those for which there is no reasonable hope of cure and from which children will ultimately die, for example, Duchenne muscular dystrophy or neurodegenerative disease. Life-threatening conditions (LTCs) are those for which curative treatment may be feasible but can fail, for example, cancer. LLC will be used to include life-limiting conditions and LTCs.

The prevalence of children and young people with a LLC is increasing<sup>1</sup> partly due to more aggressive treatment of complications and the use of medical technologies, including paediatric intensive care unit (PICU). These children often have repeated hospital admissions<sup>2</sup> and use increasing amounts of hospital resources.<sup>3–5</sup> Many of these children also die on PICU<sup>6</sup> when treatment fails or is withdrawn. This study aims to ascertain what

## What is already known on this topic?

- The prevalence of children and young people with life-limiting conditions (LLCs) or life-threatening conditions is rising.
- Overall mortality in paediatric intensive care unit (PICU) is decreasing.

## What this study adds?

- Children with a LLC accounted for the majority of admissions, bed-days and deaths in PICU.
- Children with a LLC were 75% more likely to die in PICU than those without a LLC.
- There was 93% survival at 1 year for children with a LLC.

proportion of admissions to PICUs are for children with a LLC and their outcomes in PICU and up to 1 year postdischarge.

## METHODS

### Datasets

The Paediatric Intensive Care Audit Network (PICANet) collects data on all children admitted to PICUs in the UK and Ireland. All admissions to a PICU in the UK between 1 January 2004 and 31 March 2015 were identified in the PICANet dataset.<sup>7</sup> Only children resident in England were included as only their inpatient hospital data (Hospital Episodes Statistics (HES)) were available for linkage.<sup>8</sup> Hospital data for the other nations of the UK were not available.

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) death record data in England were available with a censor date of 1 November 2015.<sup>9</sup>

Linkage of the PICANet dataset to the HES and ONS data was undertaken by the NHS Digital.<sup>10</sup> The standard deterministic linkage algorithm using National Health Service (NHS) number, date of birth, sex and postcode was used.

### Clinical variables

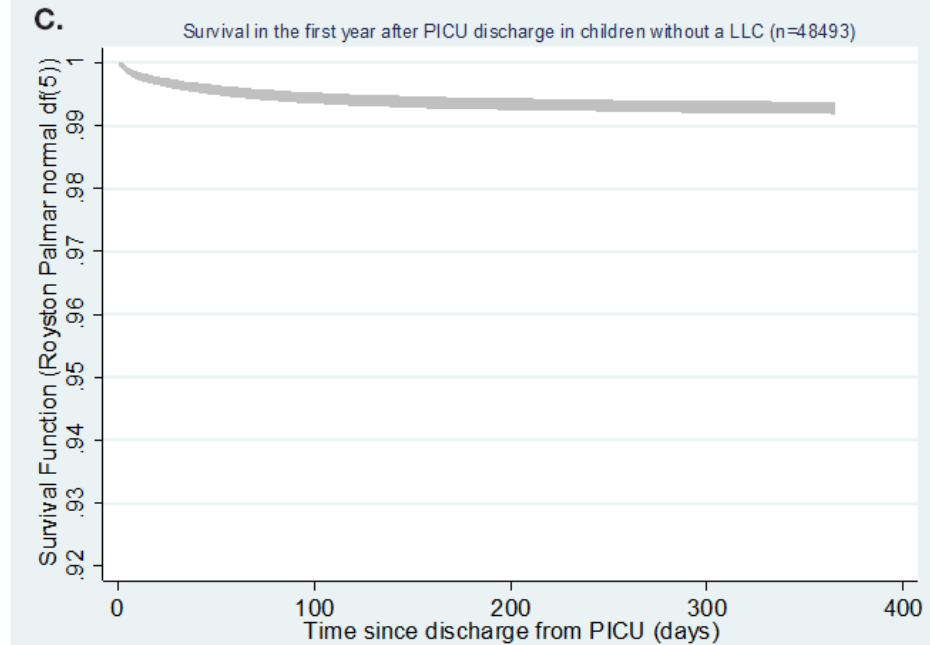
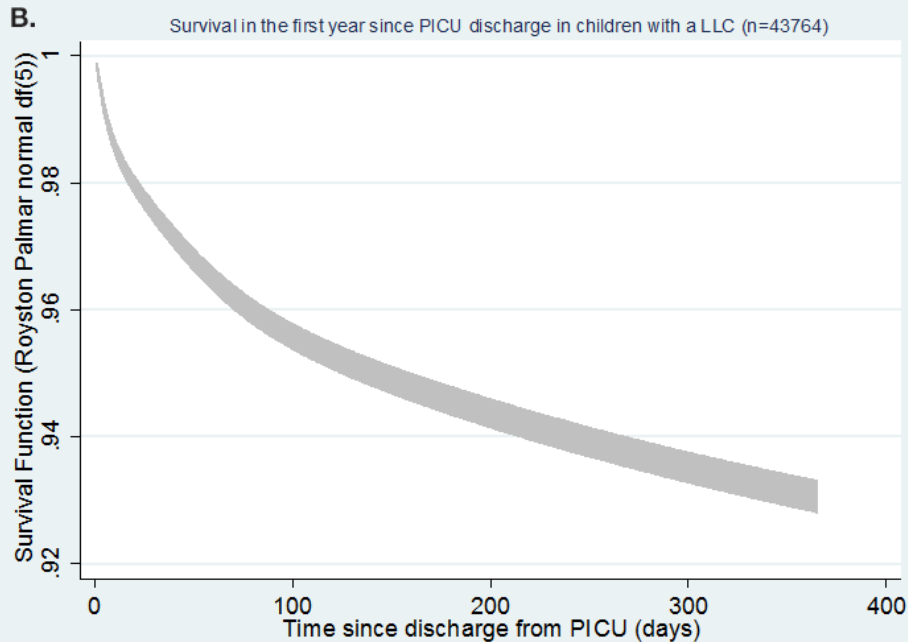
#### Inpatient HES data

The PICANet data are of high quality and validated, but some of the non-mandatory fields, including comorbidities, are incomplete. Therefore, it is not possible to identify children with a LLC using the PICANet dataset alone. Linkage to the inpatient



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# Impact of LLC on 1yr survival



# Impact of potentially inappropriate care in PICU

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# Any Questions?

