

Press Statement

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re. Deep Cleaning Programme

The RUH has, for the last two years, had an ongoing programme of deep cleaning. Last year an additional £100,000 was invested by the trust to increase the number of cleaners to facilitate this.

In November 2007, the RUH received an extra £190,000 from the Government for deep cleaning which must be spent by the end of the financial year. Spending is well underway on many things such as

- deep cleaning of public areas (corridors, entrances etc) ,
- refurbishment of public toilets and lifts
- redecoration, new flooring in ward kitchens and toilet areas
- replacement of patient mattresses
- purchase of steam cleaners and hoovers

It should be emphasised that Deep Cleaning is regular and ongoing on a daily basis at this trust, especially at the moment with the presence of norovirus in the hospital.

Director of Nursing at the RUH, Francesca Thompson, says “having already invested a considerable sum of money in our deep cleaning programme the RUH is delighted to receive more funding. This has allowed us to bring forward work on key areas such as public and communal facilities – which we had planned to focus upon later in the year.”

Ends

Editors Notes

There are 215 cleaners employed by the RUH

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