

Mr JH Bassett  
 Chairman  
 Gosport Medical Committee  
 Gosport War Memorial Hospital  
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Dear Dr Bassett

I write to advise you, and your colleagues, of a recent development within Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

In line with other Community Hospitals we have now purchased 3 Lifepak defibrillators. These machines have been placed on Dryad, Daedalus and Sultan wards. Staff have, and are in the process of being trained in their use. The hospital has an Emergency Response document which identifies the actions to be taken in the event of an emergency.

As a consequence of the above it is proposed to remove the defibrillator from the Outpatients Department. I appreciate there may be some concern regarding this decision but the staff within the department and those who are using the outpatients after hours are aware of the procedures to follow in the event of an emergency happening during and after hours.

A copy of the response document is enclosed for your information.

The removal of the defibrillators will ensure the hospital follows the same procedure.

Should you or your colleagues have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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