

August 2009

How the NHFD has helped to effect change in Gloucestershire Royal Hospital.

GRH registered with NHFD and started to submit data in August 2008.

In May 2009 it was decided that data from the NHFD showed that the hospital was underperforming, and so using the BOA-BGS 'Bluebook' as a template for best practice, a specialised #NOF ward was set up.

On this ward a consultant orthogeriatrician, and a Bone Specialist Nurse work directly with the Orthopaedic Surgeons, Anaesthetists and a specialised Advanced Nurse Practitioner.

The NHFD has been used extensively to monitor service delivery.

Data was exported for the month September 2008, and the month June 2009.

The table below shows the stark contrast between practice pre and post the setting up of the specialised service

	Sept 2008	June 2009
Number of fit patients having surgery < 48hrs	52.6%	91.6%
Number of patients being assessed for bone medication	30%	96.5%
Number of patients being assessed for falls prevention	26.6%	82.75%
Average length of stay on acute ward	16.75 days	13.25 days