

“Aintree University Hospital is the Major Trauma Centre for the Merseyside and Cheshire area.

Over the past three years, there has been a phased opening of a new, purpose built Emergency Department, which has been fully operational for over 1 year. More recently a helicopter pad has been built and is now fully operational.

The department is located within our purpose built, state of the art Urgent Care and Trauma Centre (UCAT) and comprises the following:

- Ambulance handover area
- 3 major trauma resuscitation rooms with dedicated high performance CT scanner
- 3 high dependency resuscitation rooms
- Majors assessment and treatment area
- Minors area comprising a number of consult exam rooms
- Observation Unit
- Observation Ward
- Dedicated X-ray department
- Mobile decontamination unit
- Link-bridge to The Walton Centre for Neurology for transfer or major trauma patients.

Also located within UCAT are the following services:

- Acute Frailty Unit
- Urgent Care 24 (OOH GP)

The senior medical team comprises 16 Consultants in Emergency Medicine. The existing members of the team are as follows:

Dr. Libby Wilson (Clinical Director)
Dr. Tim Wharton (Trust Specialty Training Lead)
Dr. Reddy Thiyyagura (Trust ACCS Training Lead)
Dr. Richard Hughes (Training Programme Director Mersey HST)
Mr. Chris Stevenson
Mr. Mike Hickey
Mr. John Hollingsworth
Mr. Rob Jones
Dr. Lizzy MacCallum
Dr. Nina Maryanji
Dr. Justin Newstone
Mr. Abdo Sattout
Dr. Karen Squires
Dr. Zeeshan Syed
Dr. Tim Wharton
Dr. Connail Kelly

The department sees approximately 80 000 predominantly adult patients per annum.

Aintree provides high quality emergency and planned care to meet the needs of the local community. Aintree has dedicated assessment services including an Acute Medicine Unit, Ambulatory Emergency Care Unit, Acute Frailty Unit and a Surgical Assessment Unit. In addition to this, Aintree provides specialist services for Merseyside, Cheshire, South Lancashire and North Wales. These include major

trauma, head and neck surgery, upper GI cancer, hepatobiliary, endocrine services, respiratory medicine, rheumatology, ophthalmology and alcohol services.

The Trust has a Simulation Centre which is utilised extensively, including for trauma team simulation exercises. Additional sessions can be put on for higher Emergency Medicine trainees to ensure areas of the curriculum that are difficult to cover with clinical exposure can be covered with simulation instead.

The Emergency Department has a fully operational ultrasound machine and several Level 1 accredited Consultants.”