APPENDIX D- OUTLIER AND PATIENT MOVES PROTOCOL

Introduction

The Trust needs to be prepared to deal with variation in activity and demand. Occasionally this may mean that patients are in locations away from their specialty ward (outlier). Outlying should only happen in **exceptional circumstances** and decisions to outlie are **based on clinical assessments**. Lists of outlying patients will be **monitored daily** by cross divisional teams via the ops centre and repatriation to the base ward will be arranged if this is clinically required.

Purpose

The document provides guidance on the stages of outlying. This document should be used in conjunction with the **Outlier Policy** and the **Patient Transfer Policy** and the Full Capacity Protocol.

General guidelines

The following flow chart will apply for outlying patients.

