

General update:

- High demand for primary and community services, as number of people in the community with COVID increases
- Red site continue to see increasing numbers of people and to provide an alternative to A&E attendance, for some people
- Number of people receiving hospital treatment for COVID increasing (UHB 19/10/2020: 200 inpatients and 23 people in ITU, c.800 A&E attendances per day)
- Numbers in critical care high, but have stabilised slightly
- Pressures different to Wave 1, as a consequence of need to continue to restore electives.

Working together to manage adult critical care

- Collaborative formed between Birmingham and Solihull CCG, Black Country and West Birmingham CCG and all acute trusts across both systems
- Daily sharing of information by trusts on numbers of people in critical care and number of bedspaces available
- Process in place for trusts to request transfers within the system to manage local pressures, via the critical care network
- Mutual aid process in place to request support from neighbouring systems.