

HOSPITAL PLAY SPECIALISTS

The Activity Room

Hospital Play Specialists promote play in hospital and act as advocates for children in the hospital environment. Hospital Play Specialists are qualified Early Childhood Teachers. Hospital Play Specialists help children and young people cope with illness and treatment whilst in hospital. They are available to offer preparation, distraction and medical play to help patients cope with potentially stressful medical and surgical procedures. Hospital Play Specialists accept referrals from members of the medical team to work with specific children to provide further support and education. Hospital Play Specialists provide comprehensive play and recreation programmes both in the activity room and at bedside.



The **Activity Room** is a licensed Early Childhood Centre and is available to children who are hospital inpatients. It is a safe space where children can play without the fear of medical interventions taking place. The activity room has a toy library where patients are able to access a wide variety of toys for various ages. The activity room offers individual activity room sessions for children whose health would be compromised by mixing with other children.

Activity Room Hours:

- Monday - Friday: 08:30 am - 12 noon
13:00 pm - 16:00 pm