There are temporary changes to some services provided at the Friarage Hospital from 27 March 2019. The changes apply to accident and emergency (A&E) and critical care.

**How does this affect the Friarage?**

An A&E department can treat patients with life threatening injuries and illnesses. Patients with these conditions will be treated at The James Cook University Hospital, Middlesbrough or the Darlington Memorial Hospital.

The majority of patients who attend A&E at the Friarage will still be treated in the Friarage Urgent Treatment Centre.

**When can I use the Friarage Urgent Treatment Centre?**

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

You do not need an appointment to attend. You can walk in to the UTC, or you may be directed there by NHS 111.
What can I use the Friarage Urgent Treatment Centre for?

In the Friarage Urgent Treatment Centre, adults and children will be able to be treated for:

- Strains and sprains
- Suspected broken limbs
- Minor head injuries
- Cuts and grazes
- Bites and stings
- Minor scalds and burns
- Ear and throat infections
- Skin infections and rashes
- Eye problems
- Coughs and colds
- Feverish illness
- Abdominal pain
- Vomiting and diarrhoea

We will now be able to treat children with minor illnesses, such as fever, rashes and earache, which is something that we haven’t been able to do before.

The Friarage Urgent Treatment Centre will not be able to treat life-threatening injuries or illnesses, such as:

- Severe chest pains
- Unconsciousness
- Severe breathing difficulties
- Uncontrollable bleeding

If it is an emergency, please call 999.

If you are not sure where you should go, please contact your GP or NHS 111 for advice.

These changes are temporary and once we have stabilised our current services, we plan to enter into a full public consultation. South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is committed to developing a safe, long term and sustainable future for the Friarage Hospital.

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