

Improving lives together

Specialist PICU for Men

**Albert Ward,
Cygnet Victoria House,
Darlington**

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Albert Ward is our 9 bed male PICU at Cygnet Victoria House, which accepts emergency and crisis admissions. Referrals will come to us from all areas, including acute and prison services. Our aim is a short, rapid intervention to help service users regain a sense of control and order in their lives, so they can move to a less restrictive care setting and ultimately return home.

The service provides expert, intensive, short-term, individualised care for those detained under the Mental Health Act. Service users will present with increased risks that require them to be assessed and treated in a PICU environment.

Our team works closely and collaboratively with individuals in our care, their families and the referrer to provide a seamless pathway from referral to discharge. Our approach is recovery focused and supported by comprehensive multi-disciplinary teams, contributing to shorter lengths of stay.

NEW - Hyperacute Neuropsychiatric Rehabilitation Pathway
Now Accepting Referrals



Beds available
Now taking referrals



Male



18+ years



9 beds

Our service user profile:

- > Men, aged 18+ years
- > Detained under the Mental Health Act
- > Experiencing difficulties that present a risk to the well-being of themselves or others that cannot be treated in an open environment
- > Diagnoses may include:
 - Acute mental illness
 - Acute depressive illness
 - Psychosis
 - Schizophrenia
 - Bi-polar disorder
 - Personality disorder
 - Dual diagnosis
- > May present with self-harm, substance misuse issues or complex needs



For All PICU and Acute Referrals (Adults and CAMHS)

0808 164 4450
chcl.referrals@nhs.net

1 Referral made to Cygnet bed hub via 0808 164 4450 / chcl.referrals@nhs.net

2 Feedback provided on whether our services can meet the service user's needs within 1 hour of receipt of full clinical information

3 Admission agreed and arranged with referring team following confirmation of funding

Where are we?

Cygnet Victoria House
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