Neuropsychiatric Service for Men

Cygnet St William's, Darlington

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Cygnet St William's is a 12 bed Neuropsychiatric care and treatment facility offering those affected by acquired brain injuries. It is a safe and secure place to aid recovery as well as offering those diagnosed with a progressive neurological disease, like Huntington's Disease, a caring and longer placement to support and help manage the progression of their symptoms.

The hospital is a modern purpose built facility which has been designed specifically to provide a clinically led evidence based neuropsychiatric pathway for those individuals presenting with behaviours that challenge. Our focus is to create a therapeutic rich environment which engages our service users and offers them the opportunity to minimise their challenging behaviour and maximise their independence.

We provide a resource intensive in-house Neuropsychiatry interdisciplinary team dedicated to the 12 service users at Cygnet St William's.



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Our person centred approach puts the individual at the centre of their treatment and discharge planning. The service offers a wide range of activities and facilities to promote independent function. Positive behaviour goals are focused on discharge planning to support service users to return to community living – either with support or independently.

Our facilities:

- > En-suite individual bedrooms
- > Therapy kitchen and additional therapy spaces
- Dining room
- > Living room
- > Additional communal areas
- > Multi-functional outdoor space including gardens
- Accessible bathrooms
- On-site laundry facilities
- Specific dietary needs met by our in-house catering team

Our service user profile:

- Men aged 18+ affected by a neurological condition where challenging behaviour is the leading impairment
- May be detained under the Mental Health Act, informal or subject to DoLS
- > May have a forensic history
- > With a diagnosis of:
 - Established or suspected Acquired Brain Injury including those sustained through trauma, anoxia, stroke, tumour, virus or infection
 - Established or suspected neurodegenerative condition including Huntington's Disease
 - Specialist Dementia e.g. Pick's Disease, Frontotemporal Dementia
 - Korsakoff's Syndrome or other substance abuse related brain injury

- > Presenting symptoms may include:
 - Dysphasia or other communication problems
 - Dysphagia with or without the requirement of PEG support/ modified diets
 - Moderate to severe cognitive impairment
 - Respiratory difficulty requiring support of BiPAP (Bi-level Positive Airway Pressure) or CPAP (Continuous Positive Airway Pressure)
 - Mobility impairments
- > Presenting comorbidities may include:
 - Psychiatric disorders including psychoses
 - Complex epilepsy
 - Post-ictal psychosis
 - Organic personality disorder

Community links include the Dolphin Centre, which is a sports centre with gym, swimming pools, and

hydrotherapy pool.



Onsite Gym which has weights, exercise bikes and parallel bars for support with mobility rehab



Physical health care clinic

is supported by a Registered **General Nurse**



Therapy kitchen and additional therapy spaces



Inter-disciplinary team input including:

- Psychologist
- Occupational Therapist
- Speech and Language Therapist
- Physiotherapist
- Clinical Hospital Manager
- Therapy Coordinator
- Nurses across RMN/RGN/ **RNLD** disciplines
- Support Workers
- GP cover from local practice



Close to local town of Darlington, with access to cinemas, parks, shopping and cafes.



Multi-functional outdoor space including garden







For more information or to make a referral please call 0808 164 4450 or email chcl.referrals@nhs.net

Our referral process:

- Referral made to Cygnet referrals team via 0808 164 4450/chcl.referrals@nhs.net
- Assessment arranged and undertaken via our management team
- Feedback provided on whether our service can meet the individual's needs
- Assessment pack formulated including care plans and funding information
- Admission agreed and plans for transition arranged with referring team following confirmation of acceptance of placement

Where are we?

Cygnet St William's

Cygnet St William's, Cornwall Avenue, Darlington, County Durham DL1 2LJ

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