Specialist PICU Service for Men

Albert Ward Cygnet Victoria House, Darlington

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Albert Ward is our 9 bed male PICU service at Cygnet Victoria House and will accept 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 service users 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 service users, 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.









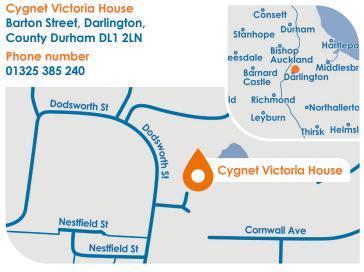


## Our service user profile:

- > 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 co-morbid presentations:
  - Self-harm
  - Substance misuse issues
  - Complex needs



## Where are we?



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