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New neuropsychiatric service in Widnes opening in summer 2024

A new hospital for men suffering with brain injuries will open in Widnes this summer.

Cygnet Paddocks will be a 28-bed specialist Neuropsychiatric rehabilitation service run by leading health and social care company, Cygnet Health Care. The service will provide support across three wards for men affected by acquired brain injury or neurological conditions such as dementia and Huntington's disease.

Cygnet Paddocks is will be located on Wilmere Lane, the redeveloped site of a former nursing home. The name of the service was chosen by patients currently being supported at Cygnet Pindar House, a neuropsychiatric service in Barnsley. They chose the name Cygnet Paddocks to reflect the fact that there are a number of horse paddocks in the fields adjacent to the hospital.

The service will be led by an all-encompassing in-house clinical and medical team including psychiatrists, speciality doctors, psychologists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists, nurses and support workers.

Rachael Chamberlain, Cygnet Health Care's Business Development Director for Neurological services explained: "The three individually designed wards will replicate the well-established rehabilitation and treatment pathways already successfully offered by Cygnet in other Neuropsychiatric Rehabilitation services.

"I'm so excited that we are finally being able to bring a Cygnet Neuropsychiatric Rehabilitation service to the North West of England.

"It's so important that individuals affected by brain injuries can access the most appropriate rehabilitation assessment and treatment needed to meet their needs.

"Offering a comprehensive specialist rehabilitation service as close as possible to friends and family is an important aspect to recovery for many of our service users."

Cygnet Health Care already has a strong presence in neuro-rehab across the UK operating 122 beds across seven locations. This allows the expansion of the service line to the North West of England.

Dr Tony Romero, Cygnet CEO, said he is looking forward to seeing the difference the facility will make to so many people.

He added: "Our purpose is to make a positive difference to the lives of the individuals we care for, their loved ones and all those who work with us.

"We are proud of our reputation for delivering pioneering services and outstanding outcomes for the individuals in our care and I am delighted to see us extend our care offer in the North West.

"It is our priority to ensure those suffering get the very best support they need. Cygnet's new hospital in Widnes will complement the range of neuro-rehab services we offer and we are delighted that we will soon be able to support more people who need our help.

"We are a proud partner to the NHS we want to be part of the solution and work together with the NHS to provide the best treatment and facilities to help people on their recovery journey."

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