Mental Health & Learning Disabilities Division

Older Adult Mental Health Directorate

Overview:

The Older Adult Mental Health Directorate provides a number of services for patients with wide ranging mental health issues who are over the age of 65, from crisis support, inpatient treatment, community support as well as specialist services across the whole of Gwent.

This information leaflet focuses on our **inpatient patient services** and seeks to provide potential applicants with information on our hospitals, locations and wards.



Borough	Ward	Beds	Description	Our Team
Caerphilly	Annwylfan Ysbyty Ystrad Fawr	16 Mixed Sex Dementia Assessment Ward	Annwylfan Ward is an 16 bedded Dementia Assessment Unit based in Ysbyty Ystrad Fawr, Ebbw Vale. The ward accommodates Older people for Mental Health assessment and treatment. Annwylfan specialises in the assessment of confusion, diagnosis and care of dementia. Our goal is always to treat each person as an individual and support independence, maintain contact with loved ones and promote enjoyment in activities and the best quality of life possible. The ward is homely and informal whilst remaining a safe clinical ward where dignity is maximised at all times. Signage promotes orientation, independence and freedom as far as possible. On Annwylfan Ward there is a patients' TV	The team consists of a Senior Nurse, Ward Manager and are supported by a team of Deputy Ward Managers and approximately 30 nursing and care support staff as well as medical, psychology and occupational therapy. Anwylfan supports staff to develop in both clinical and managerial roles. The ward staff have access to regular clinical and managerial supervision.
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Blaenau Gwent	Cedar Parc Ysbyty Tri Chwm	14 beds Mixed Sex Older Adult Dementia Assessment Ward	Cedar Parc Ward is a 14 bedded Dementia Assessment Unit based in Ysbyty'r tri Chwm, Ebbw Vale. The ward accommodates Older people for Mental Health assessment and treatment. Cedar Parc specialises in the assessment of confusion, diagnosis and care of dementia. Our goal is always to treat each person as an individual and support independence, maintain contact with loved ones and promote enjoyment in activities and the best quality of life possible. The ward is homely and informal whilst remaining a safe clinical ward where dignity is maximised at all times. Signage promotes orientation, independence and freedom as far as possible. On Cedar Parc Ward there is a patients' TV lounge, dining area and a separate visitors' lounge. These activities assist to structure the patient's time but also enable the staff to assess the patient's needs and functioning. The family/carer will be involved in planning discharge to meet the person's needs. The ward supports John's Campaign and has open visiting hours.	The team consists of a Senior Nurse, a Ward Manager, two deputy Ward Managers and 30 nursing and care support staff, along with medical, psychology and occupational therapy support who provide recovery focused care to patients over the age of 65 on our dementia assessment ward. The ward staff have access to regular clinical and managerial supervision.
Torfaen	Hafen Deg County Hospital	20 beds Mixed Sex Older Adult Functional Assessment Ward	Hafan Deg Ward is based in Ty Siriol Unit, County Hospital. Hafan Deg Ward is a 20 bedded Acute Older Adult Mental Health Unit for males and females over the age of 65 living in the ABUHB area. The ward consists of single bedrooms, some with en-suite facilities. The unit specialises in the assessment, care and treatment of people experiencing a variety of mental health problems. All patients admitted to the unit will be allocated a named nurse who will be responsible for co-	The team consists of a Senior Nurse, Ward Manager, three deputy Ward Managers, Health Care Support staff and medical staff with access to other multi-disciplinary team members including psychologists, occupational therapists, dieticians and social workers as well as other disciplines that support the individuals during their stay.

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			ordinating their care whilst they are an inpatient. A team of staff will review the plan of care and agree the future care plan. The unit has an active occupational therapy programme which provides activities on the unit and in the local community. These activities assist to structure the patient's time but also enable the staff to assess the patient's needs and functioning. The family/carer will be involved in planning discharge to meet the person's needs. The ward supports John's Campaign and has open visiting hours.	The ward staff have access to regular clinical and managerial supervision.
Newport	Sycamore St Woolos Hospital	Mixed sex Older Adult Dementia Assessment Ward	Sycamore Ward is a 14 bedded Dementia Assessment Unit based in St Woolos Hospital, Newport. The ward accommodates Older people for Mental Health assessment and treatment. Sycamore specialises in the assessment of confusion, diagnosis and care of dementia. Our goal is always to treat each person as an individual and support independence, maintain contact with loved ones and promote enjoyment in activities and the best quality of life possible. The ward is homely and informal whilst remaining a safe clinical ward where dignity is maximised at all times. Signage promotes orientation, independence and freedom as far as possible. On Sycamore Ward there is a patients' TV lounge, dining area and a separate visitors' lounge. These activities assist to structure the patient's time but also enable the staff to assess the patient's needs and functioning. The family/carer will be involved in planning discharge to meet the person's needs. The ward supports John's Campaign and has open visiting hours.	The team consists of a Senior Nurse, Ward Manager, two deputy Ward Managers, Health Care Support staff and medical staff with access to other multi-disciplinary team members including psychologists, occupational therapists, dieticians and social workers as well as other disciplines that support the individuals during their stay. The ward staff have access to regular clinical and managerial supervision.

What our Staff Say about working with us:

We have a very strong team approach with people feeling valued and supported knowing that staff "have their back"

We develop really good relationships with patients, families and other staff, and have a lot of positive feedback from them.

'I have worked in OAMH on Anwylfan for six years. The overall feeling I get from helping our older patients is one of comfort and satisfaction, as I know that if one of my relatives was here they would be looked after to the highest standards. Being a HCSW is very fulfilling and our managers are always encouraging us to aim higher, there is a lot of potential to gain extra skills and progress further in the job role with the new HCSW diploma or even look to move into nursing'

It can be a challenging environment, but as a team we also try to have fun and involve the patients in it

There are great development opportunities and good supervision.

I feel proud of the work that we do.