

Church ward NEW Male Brain Injury Service Now Open to Referrals

We are delighted to announce that our new male brain injury ward is now open and taking referrals for men with an acquired or traumatic brain injury and co-occuring complex needs, cognitive deficits and behaviours that may be challenging their current communities or services.

How does Church fit into our existing clinical pathway model?

Church ward sits alongside the established Tallis ward at the beginning of the St Andrew's male brain injury pathway, meeting the demands of growing waiting lists nationwide. This extension to the service will allow our specialist multi-disciplinary team to effectively triage needs and select the most appropriate environment to rapidly stabilise people and support them to progress from admissions to rehabilitation at the earliest opportunity.

Tallis ward - 12 bed

Higher/highest acuity, complex risk, complex mobility needs, bariatric needs, requiring more than two staff to deliver personal care. Direct admissions and stabilisation

Church ward - 10 bed

High acuity, complex and long term management needs, high physical health and mobility needs, continuing care. Direct admissions and stabilisation

Acute pathway



Allitsen ward - 14 bed

Continuing care, complex personal care/physical health needs

Tavener ward - 16 bed

Complex rehabilitation, pre-community

Rehabilitation/ continuing care pathway



A light, bright and modern space, Church is an uplifting ward environment with numerous therapy and activity rooms which are easily accessible for all patients, including those with significant physical health needs. Adjacent to the ward, the Taylor Therapy Suite offers a therapeutic kitchen, library, music room and gym.

As part of our highly specialist neuropsychiatric pathway, our on-site, multi-disciplinary team will work across Church, with a neurobehavioural approach and wrap-around care provided by Consultant Psychiatrists, Neuro and Clinical Psychologists, qualified Nurses, Occupational Therapists, Speech and Language Therapists, Dieticians, Physiotherapists, Social Workers and Healthcare Assistants.

'The creation of the 10 bed (hurch ward will enable people with a complex ABI or TBI to secure the right placement to support their needs whilst adding a crucial additional step in our service pathway between admission and rehabilitation'.

Dr Muthusamy Natarajan, Consultant Psychiatrist & Clinical Director for St Andrew's Neuropsychiatry Service

To arrange a visit to Church and meet the clinical team or to discuss how we can help you with the placement of a person who, following an Acquired or Traumatic Brain Injury, may be struggling due to complex needs and behaviours please contact Robert Walsh, Strategic Partnership Manager on rwalsh@stah.org

How to make a referral to our Brain Injury services

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