

Sheffield Health and Social Care



NHS Foundation Trust

SERVICE DESCRIPTION: Low Secure Services (Forest Lodge)

Forest Lodge is a locked low secure unit. The unit comprises of two wards; an Assessment ward and a Rehabilitation ward. The average length of stay is 12-18 months, however, length of stay will depend on individual factors.

ADDRESS: Forest Lodge, 5 Forest Close, Sheffield S35 0JW

DIRECTORATE: In-patient Directorate

DATE: March 2014

1. ELIGIBILITY

- Admission to Forest Lodge for care and treatment in conditions of low security is subject to satisfactory gate-keeping assessment in line with the commissioning requirements of the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Area Team (NHS England), and to the Local Area Team's agreement to admit;
- Referrals are accepted from a variety of sources, including the Courts, prison and other NHS or independent healthcare providers.

The selection criteria for the above Service are applicable to:

- Males between the ages of 18 and 65 years irrespective of ethnicity, sexuality, culture or physical abilities;
- Males with a primary diagnosis of serious and enduring mental illness who will usually have committed an offence or otherwise pose a risk to others.
 - They will be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983 (revised 2007), but not under Sections 4;5; 135 or 136, nor if recalled under Community Treatment Order;
 - They may be transferred from prison if treatment (and, in some circumstances, rehabilitation) within a low secure environment is necessary;
 - They may benefit from a period in a Low Secure setting to assist in their step-down from higher levels of security.

2. THE REFERRAL PROCESS

Referrals are accepted from prisons, open acute wards, the Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit and other secure units. The service user must be detained under the Mental Health Act.

3. GEOGRAPHICAL POPULATION COVERED

 As required by the NHS England South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Area Team, predominantly residents of South Yorkshire.