

THE WAY AHEAD

Shaping the best mental health
care for our communities

Children and Young People's Mental Health Assessment in A & E

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Mental Health Liaison Team (MHLT)

- Specialist Mental Health Services in Acute Hospital settings
- 24/7 service
- 25 mental health practitioners, 4 x Psychiatrists, 4 x Senior Practitioners, Psychologist
- See people presenting to A & E who are experiencing mental health problems
- See people admitted to Salford Royal Foundation Trust who are experiencing mental health problems
- In August 2018 – 355 A & E referrals
- 522 referrals in total in August 2018 (167 ward referrals)
- Key A & E performance targets – 1 hour, 2 hour and 4 hour

Why All Age?

- Previously MHLT saw adults aged 16 and over
- U16s were seen by either CAMHs or Greater Manchester citywide rota
- Purpose of All Age Liaison is to reduce waits to be seen in A & E for young people experiencing mental health problems
- The 5 Year Forward View for Mental Health (February 2016), advised that no acute hospital should be without an 'All Age Mental Health Liaison Service' by (2020/2021)

Developing All Age Mental Health Liaison

- October 17 – March 18 – 14 x U16 referrals a month
- Staffing
- Standard Operating Procedure
- Training
- Started 1st May 2018

All Age Mental Health Liaison so far

- 4 months data
- 10.5 (mean) referrals each month
- 4.7 (mean) already known to CAMHs
- 13.75 (mean) Salford residents
- No admissions to Tier 4 inpatient services
- Children and young people tend to present between 1900 and midnight
- Positive feedback from SRFT (PANDA Unit)
- Compliments

Next Steps

- Continue to review data
- Interface with wider Children and Young People's services, especially crisis services
- Training SRFT staff

Case Study