



Section 136 Suite

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Section 136 - What is it?

- Mental Health Act (1983)
- Definition –

'if a constable finds in a place to which public have access a person who appears to be suffering from a mental disorder and to be in immediate need of care or control, the constable may if they think necessary to do so in the interests of that person or for the protection of others, remove that person to a place of safety.'

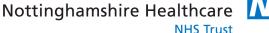
Service level agreement in relation to Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire (2009).







- Between 2005 2006, 17,400 people were detained under Section 136.
- 11,500 of those were taken to Police Custody (Independent Police Complaints Commission 2008)
- Darzi Report (2007) "high quality care for all". (NHS Next Stage Review Interim Report: Summary October 2007)
- Recommendations made to have dedicated Places of Safety. (Bradley Report 2009)







Mission statement

"At the Section 136 Suite we aim to ensure a timely and thorough assessment of individuals detained on Section 136, who may be experiencing distressing mental health problems, appear vulnerable and require health and social care assessment by experienced professionals in a safe environment"



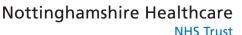


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- History / Development
- ■Opened 1st December 2008
- Increase in 136 detentions. Why?





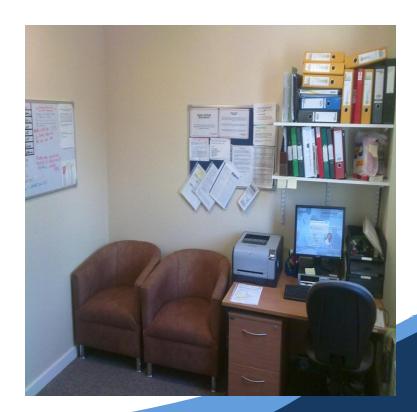




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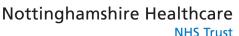
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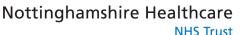


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Obstacles City v County

- City = services covers areas for Gedling, Radcliffe, Nottingham City etc with a population of over 982,300.
- County = services covers Ashfield, Mansfield, Bassetlaw etc with a population of 438,700.
- Funding, commissioning.









- ■Opened 1st December 2008
- Average age 37yrs
- ■60% Male, 40% female
- 78% of referrals to Suite known to Mental Health Services









- 73% of all 136 assessments discharged
- 60% given follow up
- 40% no follow up required or declined
- Assessing Psychiatrist's write to GP informing them of 136 admission





- •27% of all assessments admitted to Hospital inpatient care.
- 1in 4 of all 136 assessments requiring Hospital Inpatient care
- ■50% Informal
- ■50% Detained
- 43% of all referrals under influence of Alcohol or illicit substances





Facts and Figures

■81% of all referrals assessed.

Reasons why 19% not assessed in Suite

- Transferred back to Custody
- Unknown referred but did not attend Suite
- Nottingham City patients transferred back to Nottingham City 136 Suite for assessment
- Transferred to A&E for treatment









- Education and training
- Police ring for advice if unsure about a situation, advised on least restrictive option
- Improved working relationship with Police, Social Worker and outside agencies
- Pre-Assessment tool for illicit substances







Moving forward

- Joint working with police officers to ensure that they can be relieved and return to usual duties as quickly as possible.
- Effective communication of presenting issues.
- Sharing of information Police National Computer (PNC) outcomes
- Respecting each others roles and responsibilities



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- Improved working relationships with Police,
 Social Workers and other outside agencies
- Open, Honest and Accountable.
- "Delivering change through partnership" (Bradley Report. 2009).
- Larger Suite, able to accommodate 2 individuals



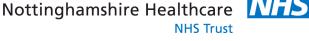














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