

Eliminating Mixed-Sex Accommodation Declaration of Compliance for Nottingham NHS Treatment Centre

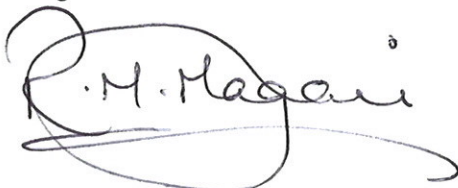
The NHS Operating Framework for 2011/12 requires all providers of NHS funded care to confirm whether they are compliant with the national definition *'to eliminate mixed-sex accommodation except where it is in the overall best interest of the patient, or reflects their patient choice'*.

Nottingham NHS Treatment Centre is pleased to confirm that it is compliant with the Government's requirement to eliminate mixed-sex accommodation. We have determined that we have the necessary facilities, resources and culture to ensure that patients who are admitted as day case patients to the Treatment Centre will only share areas with the same sex. Sharing with members of the opposite sex will only happen when clinically necessary for example in theatre recovery where a short period of close observation is required, or if there is a high risk of a drug reaction. We have ensured that same sex waiting rooms and toilet facilities are close to bed areas and that the passing through of opposite sex areas has been reduced.

Patient's who attend our centre will only share toilet facilities with members of the same gender, or in some specialist areas, unisex toilets for use by one sex at a time such as disabled toilets.

We believe that every patient has the right to high quality care that is safe, effective and is patient centred, respecting the individual's right to privacy, dignity and independence. If our care falls short of the required standard, we will report it. We will also undertake compliance audits on a monthly basis to ensure that we do not misclassify any of our reports. We will publish the reports of that audit quarterly on the Nations Healthcare, Nottingham NHS Treatment Centre website and NHS Choices.

Signed



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