

The Facts



Treat as One

Bridging the gap between mental and physical healthcare in general hospitals

552

cases reviewed - patients admitted to a general hospital who also had a mental health condition

231

general hospitals provided information on the mental healthcare they provided

1323

healthcare professionals responded to a survey on the training they received to look after patients with mental health conditions in a general hospital

21%

of patients did not have their mental health history recorded at admission

46%

of patients had a mental health review by a liaison psychiatrist whilst in hospital

126

hospitals in the UK reported having a liaison psychiatry team available 24/7 or during extended working hours

53%

of patients did not have an adequate risk management plan made at consultant review

46%

of hospitals provided basic mandatory training in mental healthcare

11%

of general hospitals had shared/complete access to mental health notes

Healthcare professionals who took the survey said:

11% had no basic training in mental health awareness

59% had no training in psychotropic medications

39% had no training dealing with patients who self-harmed

19% had no training in managing violence or aggression

21% had no training in mental health capacity assessment

41% had no training in undertaking a risk assessment

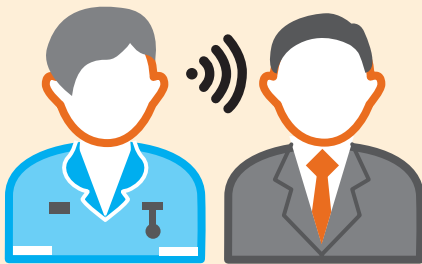
TO IMPROVE THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTHCARE IN GENERAL HOSPITALS WE NEED TO:



THINK
about mental
health



DOCUMENT
mental health
conditions

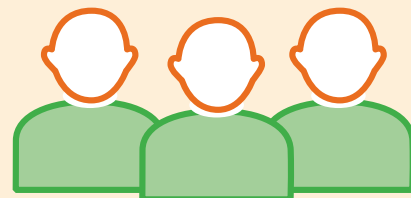


COMMUNICATE
with colleagues
and ask for help

PROVIDE mental
healthcare services
and **SUPPORT** general
hospital staff

TRAIN general hospital
staff to be able to feel
CONFIDENT in helping
patients with mental
health conditions

INTEGRATE mental
healthcare and physical
healthcare



SHARE case notes
between hospitals
and systems

Undertake early:

- **RISK ASSESSMENTS**
- **MANAGEMENT PLANS**
- **DISCHARGE PLANS**



PLAN
to ensure your
hospital is an
accredited
service