

Correspondence from Powys Teaching Health Board, 6 January 2025

Good Afternoon

In response to your request seeking clarification on the number of inpatient places available for adults and whether these are designated according to gender, please see below the current operating position at Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB).

PTHB provides one Adult (18 years +) Mental Health Acute Inpatient Unit in Bronllys Hospital, called Felindre Ward, which operates with 16 bed capacity plus two admission beds. The Ward is mixed gender but there are separate accommodation corridors of the unit, with 8 designated male places and 8 designated female places.

PTHB also provides two Older Persons' (65 years +) Mental Health Acute Inpatient Units operating in Powys at present. Tawe Ward in Ystradgynlais Hospital with capacity for 8 places, and Clywedog Ward in Llandrindod Wells Hospital with capacity for 10 places. Both Units are mixed gender and the Wards work together to ensure patients are accommodated according to their needs.

There is also commissioning arrangements established with Shropshire and Telford Hospital NHS Trust and Swansea Bay University Health Board, both of which are mixed gender. This is to support both the geographical considerations of patients receiving services as close to home as possible, as well as the ability to have a resilient service if the in-county inpatients settings are at full capacity. The arrangements are based on a number of days purchased annually.

I trust this clarifies the position but please contact Louisa Kerr, Assistant Director Mental Health & Learning Disability Services – louisa.kerr@wales.nhs.uk - if any further information is required.

Many thanks

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