

NHS Calderdale CCG's response to your request can be found below.

1. Please could you provide a list of the hospitals specified under the Section 140 (Mental Health Act 1983) arrangements in your area, and how many beds are available?

There is a long-standing and effective working arrangement with South West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust (as our commissioned provider of mental health services) in relation to the urgent admission of people to acute mental health beds. The number of available beds changes due to demand and CCG funded Patient Flow Co-ordinators at SWYPFT manage the local requirements for beds.

2. Please can you tell me what arrangements are in place for the reception of patients in cases of special urgency?

Following a full clinical assessment and agreement between Section 12 Medical Officers and Approved Mental Health Practitioners, a request for an acute bed would be made to SWYPFT who would source the required bed.

3. Can you provide information about, or a copy of, the local joint policy between the local authorities, services, and NHS commissioners for Section 140 of the Mental Health Act?

There is a long-standing and effective working arrangement between the CCG, SWYPFT and Kirklees Council in relation to the duties and obligations under Section 140 of the Mental Health Act. In preparation of the transfer of commissioning responsibilities to the ICS, local areas are currently reviewing their local arrangements and need for a specific policy.

4. Who are the Senior Leads for each party in this joint policy?

SWYPFT – Chief Operating Officer

Calderdale Council – Service Director with responsibility for mental health services

CCG – SRO with mental health as part of their portfolio.