

Your guide to

Huntercombe Hospital Stafford



Huntercombe Hospital Stafford is a Tier 4 Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) hospital for young people aged 11 to 18 years with a diagnosed mental health condition such as Bipolar Disorder or an Eating Disorder.

The hospital is set in a rural location within the grounds of a old country manor house. It is conveniently situated on the A5 just 10 miles from Stafford and five miles from junction 12 of the M6. We have our own Ofsted registered school on site to ensure studies can continue during a young person's stay.

We welcome young people, both male and female, aged between 11 and 18 years with a diagnosed mental illness such as:

- Bipolar Disorder
- Self-harm
- Anorexia Nervosa or Bulimia Nervosa
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Emerging Personality Disorder
- Mood Disorders
- Psychosis

We are also able to admit patients detained under the Mental Health Act 1983 (2007). Our hospital is split into three separate wards: Thornecroft, Wedgwood and Hartley. Each ward has its own consultant led multi-disciplinary team and caters for young people with different care needs.



Eating Disorder Service - Wedgwood ward

The setting for our eating disorder service is the original county manor house. We support and help young people to establish a healthy eating pattern and to address underlying psychological issues as well as working on relapse prevention. We work closely with our families and carers and their community team to give our patients the best chance of recovery when they go home.

General Adolescent Service - Thornecroft ward

This ward is located on the first floor of a purpose-built building directly adjacent to the main manor house. It is suitable for those young people who have either a long-standing complex mental health conditions or a short term acute episode who need some time in a safe environment to work through their issues.

Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) - Hartley ward

Located on the ground floor of our purposebuilt building, Hartley ward is for young people who are going through a sudden mental health crisis. They may pose a high risk to themselves or to other people, or may be so acutely unwell they require additional support. These young people usually need immediate inpatient treatment in a secure setting to keep them safe.

We work with all our young people to draw up a treatment plan aimed at moving young people back home as soon as possible. It is not unusual for patients to move from Hartley ward onto Thornecroft ward for a short time as a first step towards moving on completely.

Overview

36 beds split over 3 wards

- CQC rated as good overall with "outstanding" for caring
- Three on-site consultant-led multi-disciplinary teams offering evidence-based therapies
- Ofsted registered school rated as "good"
- Occupational therapy kitchen and nutritional support
- Supported family meals on-site
- Outdoor sports area, including basketball court
- Gym
- Activities and events programme for patients and families
- Minibus for appointments/outings

Our Care

Our clinical team at Stafford is led by Dr Shaheen Chaudhry, Medical Director and Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist (Hartley Ward). Wiz Magunda, Hospital Director and Alice Rees, Deputy Hospital Director and Head of Quality and Governance are responsible for the overall management of the hospital. They are supported by a full multi-disciplinary team headed by Dr Mustafa Syed, Consultant Psychiatrist (Wedgwood ward) and Dr Ramesh Billemane, Consultant Psychiatrist (Thornycroft ward).

Other members of the senior clinical team include:

- Katie Lawrence, Head of Nursing
- Sabina Bedi and Laxmi Budhwar, Clinical Psychologists
- Lynn Inglis, Lead Social Worker and Safeguarding Lead
- Dr Muhammad Qureshi, GP

Our senior team members are supported by an extensive team comprising: nursing and support staff, occupational therapists, psychologists, psychotherapists, dietitians, family therapists, art therapists, activity coordinators, administrators, housekeeping, catering and maintenance staff. Our specialist teams work closely with local and national CAMHS community teams to provide a rapid, responsive and flexible service to help young people with challenging conditions.

"Patients spoke highly of the support they received from staff. They told us that staff understood their individual needs, were polite, compassionate and always willing to offer that emotional and practical support...All staff told us they felt greatly respected, supported and valued."

- CQC, October 2018

"The progress that my daughter has made is the most progress she's ever made and it's made us as parents the proudest parents in the world. We have also seen our daughter back to the daughter we had before the illness happened. This was something we thought would never be possible."

- Parents, September 2019

Enquiries & Referrals

Monday to Friday

9am - 5pm

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Contact us



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Location

- Located on the A5 just a few miles from junction 12 of the M6, 10 miles from the centre of Stafford
- Telford and Stafford train stations both close by
- Birmingham International Airport, half hour drive away
- On-site free parking



The Huntercombe Group is one of the UK's leading independent specialist health care providers in the areas of:

- Adult Mental Health
- Specialist Brain Injury
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

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