

FOI Request Response information

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Request Detail:

Leaflet/literature re potential suicide

I cannot find any of your leaflets which deal specifically with the treatment of people who have attempted suicide or expressed an intent to commit suicide.

Can you provide me with details of your approach to the care and treatment of people in such situations?

Response Detail:

In the Trust there are a range of services that provide clinical input to individuals presenting with suicidal ideation or following a suicide attempt such as the Crisis Resolution Home Treatment Team, Single Point of Access/Assessment and Treatment Team, Mental Health Liaison Team, Complex Care and Treatment Team and Adult Inpatient Wards. A robust risk assessment is undertaken using a newly developed risk assessment tool which is based on the principle of Structured Professional Judgement and requires a risk formulation and risk management plan. The risk assessment tool is called the Enhanced Risk Tool.

Individuals accepted for intervention by LCFT are then offered a range of interventions/services to address their identified needs/difficulties. This could include referral for a talking therapy (such as IAPT or counselling), care co-ordination within the Complex Care and Treatment Team, crisis resolution and home treatment interventions or even admission to hospital. These interventions are routinely delivered by a range of different professionals such as psychologists/psychotherapists, psychiatric nurses, social workers, occupational therapists, medics etc. Crisis Resolution Home Treatment Teams work with individuals up to a period of 3 months and provide a full multi-disciplinary approach to assessment, care and treatment.

The requested document is attached.

There is no professional guide for how to use the risk assessment document that we have previously sent through to you. Clinicians use their training and experience as a basis for their decision making when completing the document.

Please click on the paperclip symbol, on the left hand toolbar, to see additional attachments.