Easy Read version of Learning Disabilities information from the Assuring Transformation Collection

People with Learning Disabilities and Autism in hospitals

Monthly Update

February 2020
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About this report

What do we do?

We collect information about people with a learning disability or autism or both.

This information is also known as the Assuring Transformation collection.

We have collected this information since March 2015.

Who tells us this information?

The information comes from the people who pay for your hospital care.
Why are we doing this?

Some people with learning disabilities or autism were abused at Winterbourne View, a specialist hospital.

Specialist hospitals are not like other hospitals.

They are for people who have behaviour that is challenging or have a mental health problem.

We are collecting information to help ensure that care is getting better and that abuse never happens again by monitoring:

- patients who are in hospital and whether they need to be there.
- that patients with learning disabilities or autism are supported to live in the community.
What do we need to know?

How many patients are in hospitals?

How long have patients been in hospital?

When are patients supposed to leave hospital?

How far away from home are patients?

Are patients getting appropriate care?
What do we do with the information?

We collect information all of the time.

We write a report like this every month.

Each report has information and numbers in tables.
February 2020

How many people are in hospitals?

At the end of February 2020, there were 2,170 people with a learning disability or autism in hospitals in England.

Are people leaving hospital?

People go into and leave hospital all of the time.

This month 130 people left hospital. 95 people went into hospital.

This means that more people left hospital than went into hospital.

Are the people in hospital male or female?

Of the people in hospital, most of them were male (1,545).

There were less females (620).
How old are the people in hospital?

The largest number of people who were in hospital were aged between 25 and 34 (635).

The smallest number of people were aged 65 and over (35).

How often do people get their care looked at?

When people are in hospital it is important that people have their care looked at to make sure it is right for them.

Under half of the people in hospital last had a review of their care over 6 months ago (690 people).

When are people supposed to leave hospital?

It is important that people are only in hospital to get treatment.

After they have received their treatment they should be allowed to go home.

Over half of the people have a date planned for them to leave hospital (1,120).
How long have people been in hospitals?

Most people go into hospital to have treatment for a very short time.

Over half of the people with a learning disability or autism in hospital have been there for over two years in total (1,250).
How far away from home are people?

Of the people in hospital at the end of February 2020, 395 people were less than 10km away from their home. This is very close to home.

830 people were 50km or more away from their home. This is a long way from home.
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