

The Royal Hospital – a medical charity

Welcome

The charity was established nearly 150 years ago
We have been involved in delivery of health care ever since.
Incorporated by Royal Charter in 1919
and thereafter we have undergone several name changes



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The Royal Hospital - today's purpose



“ Why RHN?”
or
“What makes RHN different?”

Our mission

“To seek through research and the provision of specialist services to enable people with profound or complex disabilities resulting from damage to the brain or other parts of the nervous system to enjoy an optimal quality of life”

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The Royal Hospital - services

One Name; Many Services

Specialist rehabilitation and long term care
for adults with complex disabilities as a result of damage to the brain or
nervous system by injury or disease



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In-patient Rehabilitation Services

- Brain Injury Service (In-patient specialised Neuro - rehabilitation)
- Neuro-behavioural Rehabilitation and Disability Management
- Transitional Living Unit

Long-term Neuro-disability and Community Services

- Specialist 24 hour nursing for complex disability
- Ventilator Services
- Huntington's disease
- Younger physical disability
- Community Neuro-disability Unit
- Respite care

Resources

Institute of Neuro-palliative Rehabilitation

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The Royal Hospital – different

- Developing services to meet unmet needs
- Independent charity
- Facilities to be a community within a community on-site
- Facilities to address complex clinical needs on-site
- Economies of scale with advantage of size and skills in-house
- Range of services across wide spectrum of post-acute care pathway
- Experience and expertise - empirical and evidence-based services
- Neuro-disability specific focus
- Technology, training, development and research opportunities



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The Royal Hospital - living goals

- Nutrition and diet
- Eating and drinking, Safe swallowing
- Posture and positioning
- Wheelchairs and seating
- Personal daily activities



- Communication
- Accessing a broad range of activities
- Social and recreational activities
- Adjustment to disability
- Expression
- Co-ordination of arrangements for other care
- General Health
- Individual Goal Attainment

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The Royal Hospital -specialist services

- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Nursing
- Medical Services
- Clinical Psychology
- Music Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Wheelchairs & Specialist Seating
- Rehabilitation Engineering
- Electronic Assistive Technology
- ENT and FEES (*Fibre-optic endoscopic evaluation of swallow*)
- Ophthalmology
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Continence specialist
- Dietetics and Nutrition
- On site GP Surgery
- On site dental surgery
- Oral Hygiene
- On site hydrotherapy pool
- Infection Control specialists
- Neuro-psychiatry
- On site community pharmacy
- Podiatry
- Social Work
- Comprehensive Leisure, social and recreational activities
- Transport services
- Technology and Computing
- Tissue Viability



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The Royal Hospital - non- clinical services

A Community within a Community

- Bank
- Chapel
- Chemist
- Gardens
- Film club
- Art
- Pottery
- Financial services
- Hairdressers
- Holiday Home
- Outings
- Public Rooms
- Massage
- Computers



- Cafe
- Shop & snack bar
- Leisure Opportunities and activities
- Transport
- Volunteers
- Visiting traders



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The Royal Hospital - inclusions & exclusions

Exclusions

- Under 18 years of age
- Too sick to engage in rehabilitation or be managed over 24 hours by nursing care and require acute care instead
- Pre admission medical instability that would require an acute general hospital setting
- Acute spinal injury
- Acute trauma
- Those requiring detention under Mental Health Act

Inclusions

- Acquired brain injury
- Low awareness, minimally conscious, vegetative state
- Degenerative neurological disease, including and hereditary causes
- Cognitively aware and ventilated
- Challenging behaviour
- Cognitive retraining
- Community reintegration and Transitional Living
- Community disability service
- Interim placements

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The Royal Hospital - quality services

- Registered and regulated by the Healthcare Commission
- Inspections by Radiological Protection Society, Dental Practice Board, local Environment, Health and Fire departments
- Community Pharmacy inspected as an NHS body
- Services cited in good practice examples on DOH website relating to Long Term (Neurological) Conditions NSF
- Services are delivered under integrated governance framework
- Investor in People accreditation
- Qualified staff registered with appropriate bodies & unqualified staff participate in induction programmes before working in clinical environment.
- Established staff development, risk management and practice development departments

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The Royal Hospital – discharges

Oct 2005 – Sept 2006

| | Home | Mainstream rehab elsewhere | Other RHN rehab | Residential home | Nursing Home | Acute Hospital | RHN LTC | |
|--------------|------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|----|
| TLU | 18 | 1 | | 1 | 3 | | | 23 |
| Vent unit | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| NRU | 4 | 2 | | 1 | | | | 7 |
| BIS | 2 | 4 | 7 | | 26 | 7 | 14 | 60 |
| LTC | 1 | | | 3 | | 1 | | 5 |
| | 26 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 29 | 8 | 14 | 96 |

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The Royal Hospital - check list

Addressing the needs of adults with Long Term Neurological Conditions

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---|
| A registered charity | ✓ | Non-acute | ✓ |
| Regulated by HCC | ✓ | Working with the NHS | ✓ |
| Non-profit making | ✓ | Funded by statutory fees | ✓ |
| One roof many services | ✓ | Supported by voluntary income | ✓ |
| Inpatient rehabilitation | ✓ | Specialist Clinical Skills | ✓ |
| Long term Living | ✓ | Enabling quality living | ✓ |
| Respite Services | ✓ | Evaluating practice | ✓ |
| Community Services | ✓ | Promoting quality standards | ✓ |
| Transitional Living Unit | ✓ | Supporting & advising others | ✓ |
| Addressing the care pathway | ✓ | Developing services | ✓ |

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The Royal Hospital - further information

Further information about us is available
on www.rhn.org.uk



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