

## FOI Request Response information

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### Request Detail:

Nursing uniforms policy

whether mental health nurses wear uniforms in your trust and whether there are any exemptions to this (e.g. only on older adult wards).

### Response Detail:

#### Adult Mental Health Network

The Trust has recently opened a new hospital consolidating wards from across the county and nursing and support staff on those wards are all in uniform. The Trust intends to roll this out across other existing inpatient units in 2016/17.

#### Children & Families Network

Staff within the inpatient CAMHS units do not wear uniform as it is felt to create a more 'normal' environment for resident young people both on the unit and when out in the community with staff.

#### Adult Community Network

All Older Adult Mental Health inpatient staff (Advanced Care and Dementia) wear uniforms.

#### Specialist Services Network

In the Secure Mental Health and Community Business Units, the Trust does not have any staff in uniforms.

At present within the Health & Justice Business Unit, Mental Health Teams working in the inpatient units wear uniforms. The Integrated Mental Health Team have not worn uniforms in the past but the Trust is presently ordering them for all Mental Health Staff