



Neurological Rehabilitation Unit (Barnsley)



Information about our service

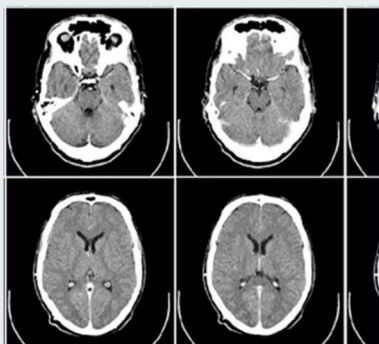
Who we are

We are a purpose built ward on the leafy grounds of Kendray Hospital, Barnsley. We provide specialist rehabilitation for people with long term neurological conditions. Our ward consists of 12 en-suite bedrooms with excellent facilities and a full range of clinical staff.

Who's referred into our service

The neurological rehabilitation unit provides specialist rehabilitation for adults aged 18 and over with a long term neurological condition including:

- Acquired brain injury/sub arachnoid haemorrhage
- Traumatic brain injury
- Multiple sclerosis
- Guillain-Barre syndrome
- Parkinson's disease
- Ataxia
- Brain Tumours
- Post spinal surgery
- Transverse myelitis
- Paraparesis of neurological origin
- Spinal injuries following assessment on a specialist spinal unit
- Inflammatory/acute immune neurological disorders



An acquired brain injury is an injury to the brain that results in damage to living tissue of the brain, causing permanent or temporary changes to its structure. This includes traumatic brain injury, subarachnoid haemorrhage, hypoxic brain injury, meningitis, encephalitis and toxic conditions affecting brain function. Brain injury can significantly affect many cognitive, physical, sensory, behavioural and psychological skills.

The unit provides care and early rehabilitation for patients with profound and complex disabilities, including those in low awareness states - and those with a tracheostomy - who have the potential for recovery, are medically stable and are able to tolerate active rehabilitation.

What we do

Due to the changing nature of patients' conditions, patients may need continuous access to a 24 hour coordinated assessment and rehabilitation stay, within a specialist setting. This helps their recovery and improves and maintains their functional abilities within the community, resulting in the prevention of further hospital admissions. It also helps to maintain their independence and reduce the support required at home, whilst providing continued support and education for relatives and carers. This reduces the cost of care in the long term.

All patients admitted to the unit receive a 2 week period of initial assessment by our specialist team, followed by goal-centred therapeutic interventions which are based on each individual's needs.

We have a weekly multi-disciplinary team meeting where family meetings and discharges are planned and goals are set, ensuring consistency in our approach.

Our aims

- Maximise the rehabilitation potential of people with complex neurological disabilities
- Help patients develop the knowledge and skills needed for physical, cognitive, psychological and social function
- Facilitate their effective transition from inpatient to community based services
- Provide high quality, comprehensive and holistic rehabilitation services
- Promote service user independence
- Ensure that rehabilitation is accessible and delivered at the most appropriate time in the patient's care pathway



Why would someone choose our service?

Excellent facilities



The unit provides single sex, en-suite, individual accommodation within a mixed sex environment, meeting privacy and dignity standards.



We have a large and comfortable lounge area with a TV and games.



The dining area is light and spacious.



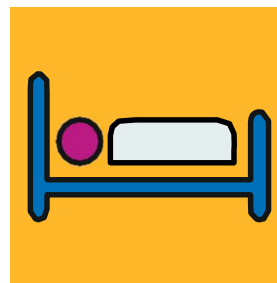
We have extensive outdoor space onsite, a well-equipped gym and therapy kitchen which all support the rehab process.

Assistive technology

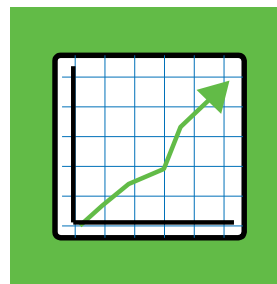
We have four rooms which are equipped with assistive technology. These products and services allow increased levels of independence for patients with very complex needs. For example, environmental controls can enable users to operate door openers, computers and other household appliances with a single accessible device.

Great results

We gained our UKROC accreditation in 2015. The data collected by UKROC shows that:



We have a shorter length of stay than other, similar units (our average length of stay is 59 nights)



96% of our highly complex patients show functional improvement during their stay



This improvement saves £1661 per week in post-rehab community care



Why would someone choose our service?

Full range of clinical staff

Staff work together with service users and their families to deliver the right care for the patient. They provide a friendly and welcoming environment which helps with rehabilitation.

Our range of clinical staff includes:

- **Doctor/consultant** who reviews medication weekly
- **Nurses** trained in neurology and/or rehabilitation
- **Dietician** who monitors a patient's diet and fluid intake and advises if any diet supplements are required
- **Occupational therapist** who assesses cognitive abilities and ability to manage daily tasks
- **Physiotherapist** who assesses physical difficulties including tone, coordination and balance
- **Speech and language therapist** who assesses communication and swallowing
- **Psychologist** who assesses emotions and behaviours
- **Nursing assistants / therapy assistants** who support the nurses and therapists
- **Social worker** who assists in discharge planning and arranges packages of care on discharge
- **Pharmacy** staff who review medication on admission and throughout the inpatient stay
- **Housekeeper** who keeps the ward environment clean and tidy
- **Admin staff** who carries out administrative tasks
- **Porter** who moves equipment and delivers supplies to the ward



What do our patients and families say about our unit?

Thanks, is such a little word, it doesn't seem to be anywhere near enough for all you've done for me.

Thank you so much! I would like to thank each one of you for the way you treated me and made me welcome. I will call when I go home.

On behalf of myself and the whole family I would like to express my deepest gratitude and thanks for your dedication and care for your utter professionalism. The progress made in this unit is truly remarkable. I now find us in a position I could not imagine.

Inspiring, stupendous, fantastic, brilliant, cutting edge and crazy! Thanking each and every one of you for getting me where I am.

A huge thank you for all your care, he's done amazing whilst being with you.

Thank you for all your hard work with my mum. Our family is so grateful that she is surrounded by a group of caring, friendly, and determined people. You're all fantastic!

Thank you for all your support during my stay. You have given me the ability to start a new chapter.

Thank you to all the lovely staff for the love and care shown.

On behalf of myself and the whole family, I would like to express my deepest gratitude and thanks for your dedication and care for your utter professionalism. The progress made in this unit is truly remarkable. I now find us in a position I could not imagine.



100% of those surveyed said they would be extremely likely to recommend our unit to friends and family if they needed similar care or treatment.

Contact us

If you have any questions or would like additional information on referrals, please call one of the team:

Unit Manager

01226 434279

Nurses' Station

01226 644324

MDT

01226 644322

If you would like to visit us, please get in touch and we'd be happy to show you.

Where are we?

Neurological Rehabilitation Unit

**Kendray Hospital
Doncaster Road
S70 3RD**



We're easy to reach:

- 2.5 miles from the M1 Junction 37
- 1.5 miles from Barnsley Railway Station
- 20 miles from Sheffield City Centre
- 65 miles from Hull