Dudley Group of Hospitals: Equality Impact Assessment

Step 2 - Screening Tool

Please complete the following when screening your policy or service for potential impact on equality groups.

1. Name of lead	Derek Eaves
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Directorate or Department and Team	Nursing Directorate
2. Name of service or policy	Detaining Patients under the Mental health Act 1983
Is this a new or existing piece of work?	Existing. Update.
3. Target audience e.g. patients and public; NHS staff; professional health organisations; voluntary organisation; internal staff	All staff in contact with patients
4. What are the aims of the service/ policy? i.e. what does the policy or service hope to achieve?	Ensure that the right process is undertaken when patients are detained under the Act
5. Does any part of this service or policy have the potential to have an adverse impact based on a person's age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religion/belief or sexual orientation? If No, please provide brief reasons.	No. Applies to all patients equally
6. Are there any factors that could lead to different outcomes or satisfaction levels based on people's age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religion/belief or sexual orientation? If No, please provide brief reasons.	No. Applies to all patients equally

If you have answered No to all of the above questions, a full assessment is not required. Please complete the following sign-off section and send a copy of this screening to your Head of Service, Matron or Head of Department as appropriate **and** to Liz Abbiss, Head of Communications at Trust HQ.

Name of person completing this screening:
Derek Eaves
Job Title:
Deputy Nursing Director
Date sent to Head of Service, Matron or Head of department
February 2010
Date sent to Head of Communications, Trust HQ:

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