The psychiatric intensive care (PICU) service at the Priory Hospital Cheadle Royal has an excellent reputation for providing the highest standards of care. It has been developed over the last twenty years and is adept at dealing with patients who are in an acute phase of illness who cannot be managed on an open unit.

Our extensive experience of dealing with people with complex needs and challenging behaviours, along with co-existing issues such as substance misuse, puts our service at the forefront of providing specialised intensive care.

The PICU service comprises of three gender specific units. The Willows and Featherstone units treat male patients and the Pankhurst unit treats female patients.

- We manage service users with high levels of risk in a therapeutic and supportive way
- We have a focus on moving patients to a less restrictive environment once mental state and behaviour has stabilised
- Each ward has access to seclusion facilities if necessary
- Our services provide large spacious single gender accommodation, therapy and activity space, with open access to fresh air via the secure gardens
- The site benefits from excellent transport links, with close proximity to Manchester airport and main commuter roads
- We have an experienced, skilled and motivated multi-disciplinary team

A REAL AND LASTING DIFFERENCE FOR EVERYONE WE SUPPORT
We will take referrals and provide a response within one hour. Our services have the ability to respond and admit 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

### Admission criteria

**Willows and Featherstone wards**

Male patients aged 18 and over who may:

- Present with an acute psychosis or dual diagnosis with a primary mental illness
- Present significant and continued risk to themselves or others, and who have a high absconding risk in non-secure acute settings
- Be admitted from A&E, the judicial system, other PICUs, community services and other mental health settings and wards

**Pankhurst ward**

Female patients aged 18 and over who may also:

- Have behaviour and recovery issues related to personality disorder requiring acute admission in a secure setting
- Present with severe mood disorder and often self-harming behaviour
- Require a more structured low secure environment than can be provided on a general open unit

The Pankhurst team also have experience in perinatal psychiatry and excellent links with local maternity services.

**Contact us:**

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