

Sheffield Mental Health Advice Service

OVERVIEW OF THE PARTNERSHIP

Among the numerous Health Justice Partnerships set up in Sheffield, one of the oldest projects in the city and the country is the Sheffield Mental Health Advice Service. Established in Sheffield in 2013, the Partnership provides welfare legal advice at two mental health hospitals for inpatients with severe mental health issues, as well as to those in the community using primary and secondary community mental health services.

How was the partnership set up?

Since its inception the Sheffield Mental Health Service has been funded by the local NHS clinical commissioners, now in the form of the Integrated Care Board. The aim of the service was to provide support to those with severe mental health needs, who are at higher risk of welfare problems while having less accessible resources due to stigma and lack of knowledge and awareness to deal with such problems. A recent report by the Money and Mental Health



