

P-06-1405 We want and need a Mental Health unit for men in North Wales with beds – Correspondence from the petitioner to Committee, 16.04.24

Thank you for your invitation to put my case forward.

Firstly you say you have a strategy in place for Men's Mental Health that is untrue the waiting list to receive any sort of help is ridiculous so much so that the rise in Male suicides is heartbreaking due to this major failure in your system.

Secondly the next stage is when they have actually attempted suicide. The one case I have focused on is [REDACTED] he tried & tried to get some form of help to help his mental state to no avail so out of desperation he attempted suicide thank god on this occasion he failed Sadly not the next one. He was desperate for help his [REDACTED] Hospital to try & get him some help he sat with him in the waiting room for 9 hrs to be then called in to a room to be told there was no Pyschiatric Doctors available & could he come back tomorrow. This he did in a coffin he took his own life on returning home. I personally am disgusted by his treatment that day & someone should be made accountable.

I had a meeting with his family & Hannah Blythin asking for help in changing the way mental health is dealt with in a hospital environment. Firstly there should be a separate waiting room for mental health patients as the state of mind they are already in they do not need to see what is going on in the Chaotic surrounding of A&E.

There should also be a Phyciatric team available 24/7 in the A&E dept.

Ideally I would like a residential mental Health unit in Flintshire as Wrexham is the closest one & there are never any available beds.

There has been 2 more suicides locally since [REDACTED] so something has to be done now.

Thank you

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