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Dear patient/carer

The redesign of local Assessment and Treatment Units (ATU's)

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|  | <p>Last year we asked you to tell us what you thought about changes to the West Yorkshire Assessment and Treatment Units.</p> |
|  | <p>Assessment and Treatment Units are for people over the age of 18 who have a learning disability and need care and support with their mental health.</p> |









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|  | <p>We wanted to stop people with a learning disability going to assessment and treatment units if they did not need to be there.</p> |
| <p>1. </p> <p>2. </p> <p>3. </p> | <p>There were 3 Assessment and Treatment Units in West Yorkshire.</p> <p>1. Moorlands View at Lynfield Mount Hospital in Bradford</p> <p>2. Parkside Lodge in Leeds</p> <p>3. Horizon Centre at Fieldhead Hospital in Wakefield</p> |
|  | <p>We asked you what you thought about closing the Assessment and Treatment Unit in Leeds.</p> <p>This was because it was not in the same place as a hospital.</p> |









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|  | <p>We want to thank you for telling us what you thought about the plans to close the Assessment and Treatment Unit in Leeds</p> |
|  | <p>Most people said the change would not affect them.</p> |
|  | <p>People who said it would affect them were worried about having to travel further.</p> |
|  | <p>We did not hear from many people who used the Assessment and Treatment Units.</p> |





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|  | <p>People staying in the Assessment and Treatment Units are not very well.</p> |
|  | <p>We could not visit the units and talk to people because of the coronavirus.</p> |
|  | <p>We did talk to staff who worked at the Assessment and Treatment Units.</p> |
|  | <p>Some staff working at Leeds Assessment and Treatment Unit were worried about the unit closing.</p> |









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|  | <p>Other things the staff said were both good and bad.</p> |
|  | <p>The good things were –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The units would work better together• They could share what was good and they could share training |
|  | <p>The bad things were –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Carers and family of people from Leeds would have to travel further to visit the other Assessment and Treatment Units• People using the Assessment and Treatment Units could feel lonely |





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|  | <p>Staff wanted to make sure the changes were good.</p> |
|  | <p>They had ideas about how to make the changes.</p> |
|  | <p>They wanted to make sure everyone knew about the changes and understood what was happening.</p> |
|  | <p>They wanted to help make sure the changes worked.</p> |





West Yorkshire and Harrogate
Health and Care Partnership



West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership have listened to what people said.



They have decided to close Leeds Assessment and Treatment Unit.





They will work with staff to make sure they understand the plan and how it affects them.



You can read more about what was done and what people said in our report [here](#)





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|  | <p>You can find out more about Assessment and Treatment Units here</p> |
|  | <p>We want to thank people for telling us what they thought. It has helped us make our decision.</p> |

Kind regards

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