

What we found when we spoke to patients on Bronte Ward Easy to read report.



Bronte Ward
Bluestone Hospital
Craigavon Area Hospital
68 Lurgan Road
Portadown
BT63 5QQ



Trust:

Southern Health and Social Care Trust

 Date of Patient Experience Interviews:

10 June 2014



Type of Ward:

Male and Female care and treatment ward for patients with a mental illness

Who is RQIA?





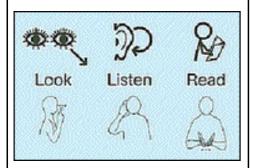


Who is RQIA?

RQIA is the group of people in Northern Ireland that visit wards in hospitals, homes and other services to check that they are good and make sure that they are safe for everyone. RQIA call these visits inspections. The RQIA also talk to patients, these are called Patient Experience Interviews. The people from RQIA that visit the wards and talk to patients are called inspectors.

The inspectors that spoke to the patients on Bronte ward were called Alan and Audrey

What did Alan and Audrey do?



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Alan and Audrey

- looked around the ward
- talked with patients on the ward
- talked to the people that are in charge of Bronte Ward

After Alan and Audrey finished speaking to the patients, they told the people in charge of the ward what patients said.

The patients said it was good that	
	They knew why they were in hospital
	They were involved in their care and treatment
	They could see an advocate
	They had items removed from them however they could access these items whenever they wanted
	They could access the garden
	They knew who to speak to if something was wrong
	Overall they were happy with their care and treatment

The patients said they were concerned that	
	The floor and walls of the bathrooms looked dirty
	There was not enough staff on the ward

What next?



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After the Patient Experience Interviews

Alan and Audrey wrote a report about what the patients said and sent it to the ward. RQIA asked the people that are in charge of the ward to make some changes.

The people in charge of the ward will write back to Alan and Audrey and tell them how they are going to fix the problems on the ward and make it a better place for patients.

One of the inspectors will visit the ward again to see if the ward has improved.