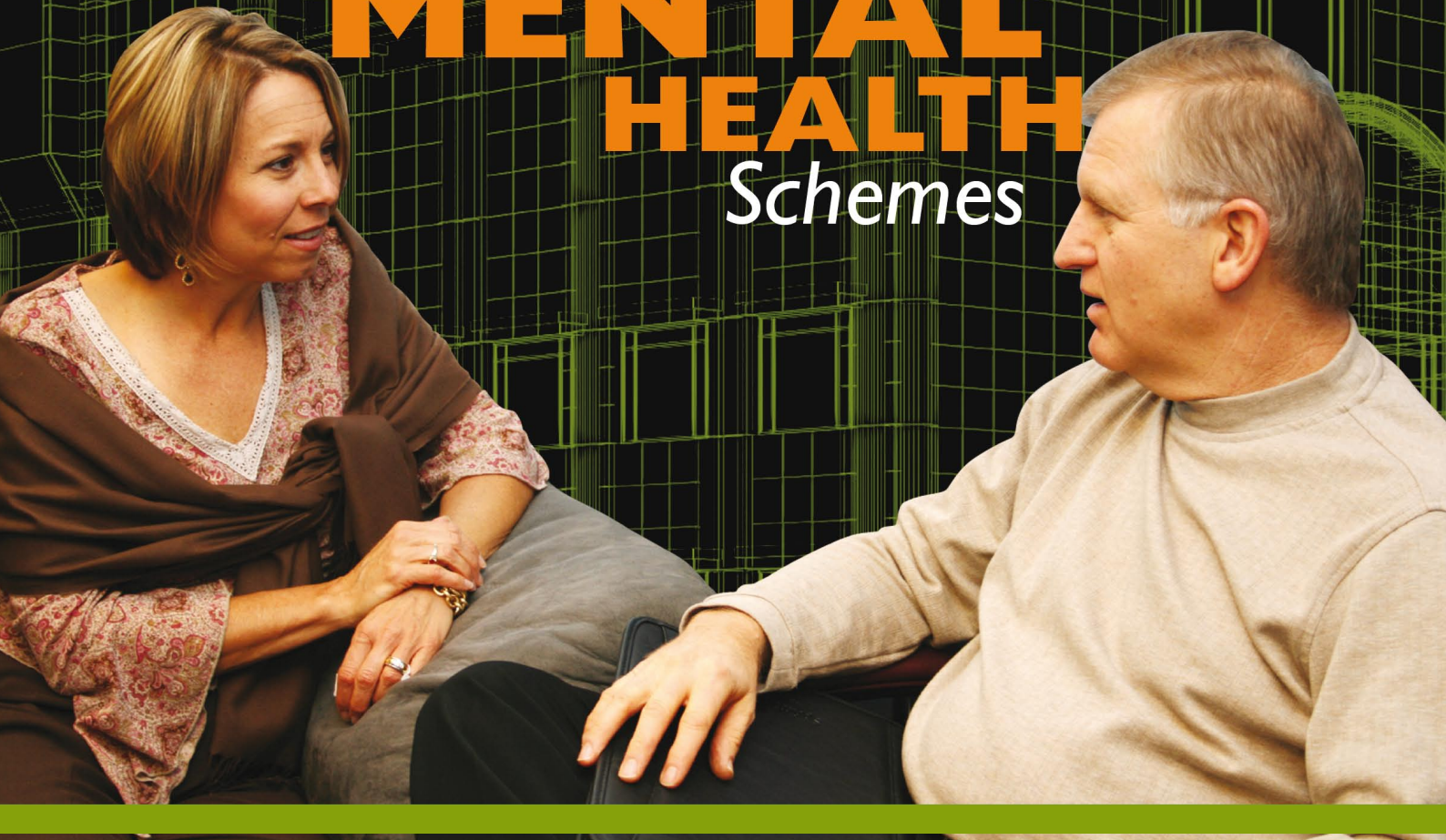


MENTAL HEALTH Schemes



As a healthcare consultancy with the largest specialist mental health section we are well known in most mental health trusts. We also currently hold the contract with the Department of Health for the service and financial mapping for all mental health trusts in England and this assists us in capacity planning and benchmarking services within the mental health field.

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Our healthcare planners have a strong track record in delivering mental health schemes, and one of our healthcare planners has been appointed to work with the NHS Design Review panel as a mental health advisor.

People with acute mental health problems are extremely sensitive to their environment. In view of this, our approach to healthcare planning on mental health inpatient units focuses, not just on the functional requirements, but also on those elements that create a therapeutic environment such as natural light, access to green space, privacy, dignity, safety, socialisation and the creation of a sense of identity.

Another key element of good mental health design is being able to balance conflicting needs such as observation and privacy; or safety and patient choice. Our healthcare planners are experienced in offering solutions which create the right balance from the departmental plans, right down to room layouts and individual items of equipment. Here are some recent mental health schemes we have been engaged in.

Surrey & Borders NHS Trust

The Trust is developing its health care infrastructure, at an expected capital cost of £110m, for people with mental health problems, people with Learning Disabilities and people with substance misuse problems. Working as part of the Laing O'Rourke design team we co-ordinated and wrote the Outline Business Case, and completed capacity planning, schedules of accommodation and options appraisals for this substantial scheme spanning three sites.

Devonshire Partnership NHS Trust

Langdon Hospital, Dawlish

Secure mental health facilities frequently offer the challenge of integration into the community in which they are provided. The outskirts of Dawlish in Devon, however, have provided an ideal opportunity to develop a supportive facility. The site already has an existing mental health hospital with secure facilities which are readily accepted by the local residents.

The developing plans and design will deliver 4 inpatient units which will provide service users with accommodation that meets all current privacy and dignity requirements. This £21m scheme will occupy a commanding position on this large open site which will give views over the Devon coastline.

North East London Mental Health Foundation Trust

Goodmayes Hospital

This £20m development will provide acute inpatient services for adults and older adults as well as low secure accommodation and a detoxification unit as part of an integrated development.

As healthcare planners working within a multi-disciplinary team we supported the design process by providing user group facilitation, schedules of accommodation, room data sheets and reviews of plans and layouts.

Horton Haven Hospital

We were engaged as part of the Kier design team to provide a £6m refurbishment to deliver facilities for adults with challenging behaviour. The development revitalises two large villas in the heart of parkland within a newly developing residential area. Each of the villas will function as a self contained house which assists recovery and rehabilitation.

New Hospital Development

Manchester

Bovis Lend Lease commissioned our services to work with the trust's user groups and deliver a briefing information pack for this major development for the people of Manchester. The scheme which has a total expected capital cost of some £400m included an expansion of existing mental health facilities for people with acute mental health problems.