

## **Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016: Approved Establishments – Wood Lea Clinic**

### **Background**

Under Article 5(1) and 5(2) of the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016, the Minister has responsibility to approve establishments or premises for the purpose of care and treatment of patients. The Minister must be satisfied that the standard of treatment provided by the establishment or premises in question is appropriate and adequate. This includes the approval of establishments in the United Kingdom (UK). Transfer of patients through the Criminal Justice System under the Mental Health (Jersey) Law requires the establishment to be approved in accordance with Article 5 as above.

### **Issue**

Wood Lea Clinic (in Bromham, Bedfordshire, UK) is part of the Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust secure mental health services. Wood Lea Clinic provides a specialist low secure forensic mental health service for adults who have a learning disability and require care & treatment within a low secure setting. The service is currently used for Jersey residents who require this specialised secure inpatient service and is subject to monitoring by the Jersey adult mental health and learning disability services. Governance checks (including review of the most recent available Care Quality Commission report) have confirmed that the service is appropriate and adequate to meet the needs of service users who require this service, which cannot be provided locally in Jersey due to the specialised nature of the service and the low secure environment required.

### **Recommendation**

The Minister for Health and Social Services is requested to designate Wood Lea Clinic (Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust) as an Approved Establishment pursuant to Article 5 of the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016.