SERVICE DESCRIPTION: Memory Service

The Memory Service aims to increase the number of people who receive early assessment and diagnosis of dementias, to provide pharmacological treatments for people with dementia in line with NICE guidelines and to provide a cognitive enhancer (medication) follow up clinic.

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DIRECTORATE: Specialist Directorate

DATE: March 2014

1. ELIGIBILITY

The selection criteria for the above Service are applicable to:

- All adults over the age of 65 irrespective of gender, ethnicity, sexuality, culture or physical abilities seeking assessment and diagnosis for cognitive deficits;
- All adults (including those under 65) with a diagnosis of dementia needing cognitive enhancer (medication) follow up.

Adults under the age of 65 are assessed by Neurology. Following diagnosis, they are eligible for cognitive enhancer (medication) follow up by the Memory Service.

2. THE REFERRAL PROCESS

Referrals can only be made through GPs or Primary Care or through professionals working into Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (e.g. Liaison Psychiatry, Neurology, Geriatricians) or through other Sheffield Health & Social Care NHS Foundation Trust professionals. Referrals should be made to the appropriate Older Adults Community Mental Health Team. Referrals cannot be made direct to the Sheffield Memory Service. Self-referrals are not accepted.

3. GEOGRAPHICAL POPULATION COVERED

- The registered populations of NHS Sheffield Clinical Commissioning Group;
- People without settled accommodation who are resident in Sheffield;
- People using choose and book system.