

SA Statewide Neuro-Behavioural Units

RNBU, Repat Health Precinct, Daw Park

NNBU, Northgate House, Northgate

Older Persons' Mental Health Service (OPMHS)

The Neuro-Behavioural Units (NBUs) are two specialist transitional units which provide assessment and treatment for people who experience severe to extreme behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia (BPSD). They are located at the Repat Health Precinct in Daw Park and at Northgate House, Northgate.

The Units provide dementia enabling environments that have been designed to ensure the best possible care for your loved one, to support ongoing care planning, and to enable transition to community-based care. The highly skilled staff have been provided with training in line with evidenced based practice in mental health, aged care, and trauma informed care.

We recognise the importance of the relationship between the person living with dementia, their families/carers and staff. All members of the multi-disciplinary team will ensure the person and their family/carers are central to care planning.

We will communicate with you and the referring treating team to understand your loved one's broader life experiences as well as their specific likes and dislikes. This can assist us in understanding triggers for anxiety or distress that can be difficult for your loved one to communicate.

The NBUs are secure units and prior to admission there will need to be a SACAT Hearing and an order for Special Powers to enable treatment and care in this environment.

You will be offered an opportunity to visit the chosen site for a tour prior to consenting to transfer.

Neuro-Behavioural Units are Transitional Units and care will continue in this environment until it can be supported in a community-based setting such as a Residential Care Facility, Specialist Dementia Care Unit, or NDIS supported accommodation.