

CC41.II - Dementia Policy

7. Eaglesvale Care will work in partnership with the Service User's GP, consultants and medical professionals to reduce polypharmacy and to minimise the prescribing of antipsychotic drugs for people with dementia, in order to improve their quality of life.

8. Eaglesvale Care will work in partnership with other healthcare professionals to reduce the number of inappropriate hospital admissions that could result in disruption and distress to the Service User.

9. In line with the NICE Guideline (NG97): Dementia - assessment, management and support for people living with dementia and their carers, Eaglesvale Care will promote a service that enables:

- Involving people with dementia to give their own opinions and views about their Care
- Access to assessment if dementia is suspected, early diagnosis and regular monitoring and review
- Information provision so that good decisions can be made when considering the future
- Access to a Care Co-ordinator who is the main contact and who keeps the person and their family at the centre of all decisions
- Service Users to get the support and treatment that is best for their condition and for their life
- Families and loved ones to be supported and looked after
- Service Users to be treated with dignity and respect at all times
- Service Users to be empowered to help themselves and understand who can help them
- Eaglesvale Care to maintain links with the community
- End of life wishes to be respected so that Service Users can expect a good death.