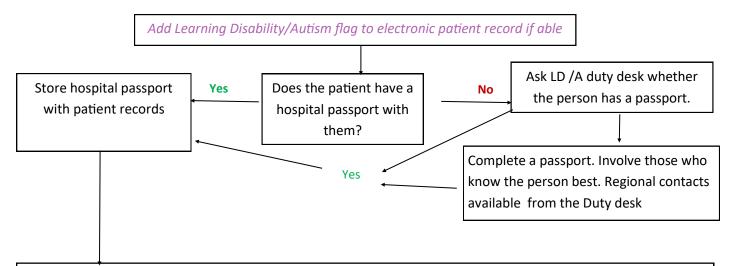
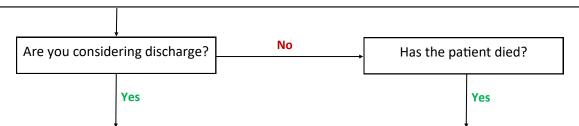
Process for patients with learning disabilities/autism admitted to Nightingale Harrogate



Throughout admission consider appropriate <u>reasonable adjustments</u>. These might include:

- Orientation, reassurance, understanding of situation
- Familiar objects, music for comfort
- Photos, phone, video contact with familiar people
- Support with management of devices such as oxygen, lines, NG tubes, Catheter. (Accessible information, increased prompts, restraint (chemical, physical or mechanical) only to be used as a last resort).
- Support with communication communication book, basic needs chart, use of own communication device.
- For support with reasonable adjustments, contact the LD/Autism duty desk.



Consider- best place for stepdown

Is appropriate support in place—check that package of care is sufficient to meet the person's current needs; some people may have a 'supported living' package, however this may only include a limited amount of support time.

Consider the patient's ability to follow discharge instructions (consider for example, if they need extra support to take medication, monitor condition or follow guidance to aid recovery).

Consider onward referral to the community learning disability team or social care to ensure provision is in place.

Consider an interim placement to ensure that appropriate support can be provided.

If the person has a learning disability, inform the LD/Autism duty desk who will notify the Learning Disability Mortality Review (LeDeR) Programme and refer for any other LD specific mortality review.

Consider any enhanced bereavement support for friends/relatives with LD and refer on if needed.

Contact details

For support and advice contact the learning disability/ autism duty desk between 08:30 and 16:30 on

0113 2066836 (Monday-Friday)

07899 988703 or 07795 618971 (Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays)

Or email leedsth-tr.ldautism@nhs.net