



# Threshold Callaghan Court

**Application Pack** 

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# 1) Eligibility Criteria

You are eligible for our service at Callaghan Court if you meet all of the following conditions:

- ✓ You have problems with your mental health
- ✓ You are over eighteen years' old
- ✓ You have been self-medicating for 6 months
- ✓ You have not self-harmed in the past 6 months
- ✓ You think that you need support to stay out of hospital and are working towards living independently in the wider community
- ✓ Your Social Worker, Community Nurse or Doctor agrees with you
- ✓ You agree to work within the licence agreement agreed between Choice and Threshold.

# 2) Introduction to Floating Support

Threshold offers a Floating Support service to residents of the short-stay supported living service at Callaghan Court. This is funded by Supporting People. Our Floating Support service can last for a maximum of two years, depending on the needs of the individual service user.

Every client will work with their designated keyworker to design a support plan based on their individual needs. This could include weekly visits to the client's home for practical support or keywork, or visiting a coffee shop to encourage social engagement. There will be 3 month, 12 month, and 21 month reviews to discuss how the service user is experiencing the service, and to assess the changing needs of the service user.

# Areas of support include:

- Support on emotional and personal issues
- Managing daily living tasks
- Money management and access to benefits
- Engaging in external activities
- Personal safety
- Finding alternative accommodation

### 3) Application Process

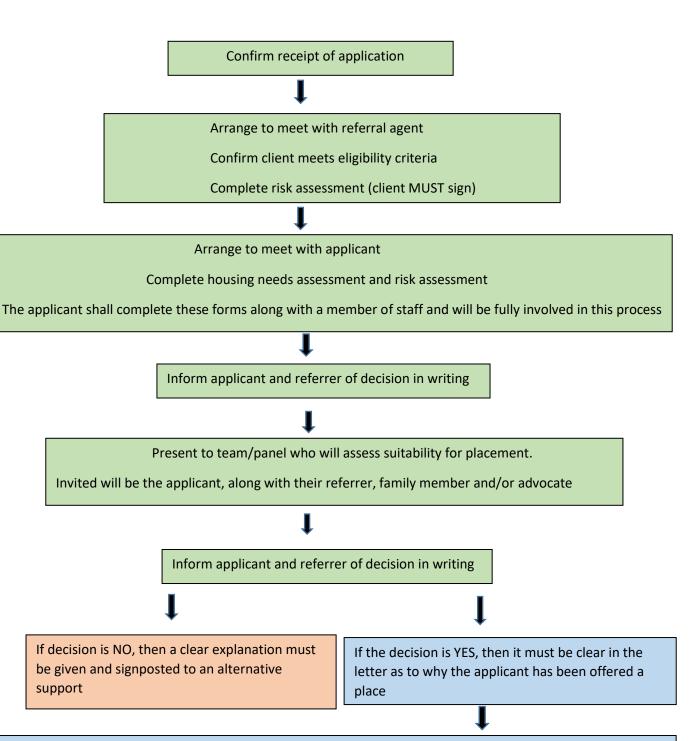
We accept applications from a range of sources including within Threshold, GPs, NIHE, Social Workers, CPNs and Psychiatrists, friends or family and self-referrals. We require all referrals to include a fully completed application form and monitoring form, (See sections 4 and 5). These can be completed on behalf of the client by a professional or by the client themselves.

Once completed, the application can either be posted or emailed to the following:

Threshold Main Office, 432 Antrim Road, Belfast, BT15 5GB

Floating.support@threshold-services.co.uk

Please see the full application process flow chart on next page:



On taking up a place, the allocated key worker will agree a support plan with the client using the completed housing needs assessment, which has been previously completed, alongside the Life Compass tool



A review will be held at three months and again at one year.

Additional reviews can be called at any time by any party, including the client. At each review, the housing needs assessment and risk assessment will be completed.

### **The Application Process for Callaghan Court**

When you apply the Project Manager will write to you telling you that your application has been received. The Project Manager will contact the person who looks after your mental health; this will be the person who signed the form. He/ She may be your social worker, your Doctor or your community nurse and they will arrange for you to come to Callaghan Court to see the flat and meet staff. Some people may visit before completing an application and you are welcome to do so.

At this time the Project Manager will talk with the person who looks after your mental health to make sure that they have all the information we need before they meet with you to continue the application.

The information required includes:

**TAF** - Threshold Application Form – Client

**PHF** - Psychiatric History Form — Consultant Psychiatrist

**SHR** - Social History Report – Social Worker

**CEF** - Client Experience Form - Client

Threshold Monitoring Form - Client

- Any additional Forms required at the discretion of Threshold's Management i.e. Forensic, Probation, Occupational Therapy Assessment and/ or Reports

NB The assessment process will not proceed until all of the above information is received to facilitate a review of the application and a Risk Assessment taking place.

### What is involved?

When the Project Manager meets with you, they will bring an assessment form with them. This will be filled in with your input, and it is to ensure that Callaghan Court can meet your needs and your expectations.

The Project Manager will then look at your application beside the eligibility criteria (you have a copy of this). Where there is more than one applicant he/she will look at who is in greater need of supported accommodation and who would benefit the most.

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NB The level of need will be influenced by an applicant's housing status — that is, where they already live in their own home in the wider community, the applicant will be seen to have a lower level of housing need than someone who does not.

# If a place is offered

If you are successful, the Project Manager will again write to you and to the person who signed the application form offering you a place. At this time, using your assessment, you will help to draw up an initial support plan and this will be kept by you, as well as a copy on file.

You will be assigned a keyworker and this person will introduce themselves when you first arrive and will make sure that you settle in and know what to expect on a day to day basis.

# If Callaghan Court is not suitable?

If, for some reason, we are unable to offer you a place we will explain this in writing to you and your referrer and will suggest another route of support if we can. This process may take as little as three weeks or may take as long as two months, depending on the situation.

### How do we prioritise applications?

Where there are two or more applicants for a place we must decide who should be offered that place. This is done by an admission panel and this panel's members are:

- The Project Manager
- A member of the local Health and Social Services Trust
- The Assistant Director for Residential Services
- Consultant Psychiatrist

The panel will look at all applications in detail and place in order of priority those who are thought to be in greater need. For example, someone living in hospital who can be discharged but is unable to live on their own would get priority over someone who wanted to move away from the family home because that person, at that moment, has someone to support them. The next areas that the panel will look at are the individuals need for support and ability to use support.

# Points are given for each of the following areas:

- Need for accommodation 0 5 points, with 5 being the greatest
- Need for support 0 − 5 points, with 5 being the greatest
- Ability to use support 0 5 points, with 5 being the greatest

The person with the greatest number of points will be offered the place. Each decision will be recorded and the reason for the decision written down. Any applicant who is not successful will be given a full explanation in writing and a copy of this will be sent to their referrer.

# 4) Application Form

Psychiatrist Other



Mc Brien House 432 Antrim Road Belfast BT15 5GB Tel: 028 9087 1313 Fax: 028 9087 1188

Email: floatingsupport@threshold-services.co.uk

Web: www.threshold-services.co.uk

### THRESHOLD CALLAGHAN COURT REFERRAL FORM

PERSONAL DETAILS			
Name:			
D.O.B:	Marital Status:		
Current Address:			
Postcode:		Number:	
HOUSING INFORMATION			
Type of Accommodation (P	lease State):		
	Details of others	living at this address:	
NAME RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT		P TO APPLICANT	
Deta	ils of all professionals	involved with the individ	dual:
DESIGNATION	NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE No
G.P	_		
Social Worker			
CPN		1	

# **TYPE OF SUPPORT REQUIRED**

Please identify the housing need by ticking any of the relevant boxes and give a brief description of the support required.

*	Support on emotional and personal issues	
*	Managing daily living tasks	
*	Money management	
<b>*</b>	External activities	
*	Personal safety	
*	Finding alternative accommodation	
<b>*</b>	Managing medication	
*	Other:	
	AL DETAILS t Mental and Physical Health	
Diagno	osis:	

# MEDICAL/PSYCHIATRIC DATA

Past hospital treatment:			
Hospital:	From: _	To:	
Reason for admission:			
Treatment:			
Hospital:	From: _	To:	
Reason for admission:			
Treatment:			
	(Attach further she	eet if necessary)	
<b>Current Medication:</b>			
Drug	Dose	Self admin (Y) (N)	
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AILS OF ALL DAY ACTIVITY			
ase indicate all day care/act	ivities:		

# **RISK ASSESSMENT**

Please provide details of suicide attempt for violence, arson, sexual offences, etc.	s, self-harm, violence/aggression, charges/convictions
Is the client a current suicide risk?	
Is the client agreeable to this referral? YI	ES / NO
Referral Agent:	Date:
Professional: Print	Designation:
Service User:	Date:
Please attach a copy of current:	Risk Assessment
	Support/Care Plan
	Psychiatric History (if available)
	Monitoring Form
Application pack must be returned with application can be processed	full accompanying documentation before the
Please forward referral to:	Threshold Floating Support
	Mc Brien house
	432 Antrim Road
	Belfast
	BT15 5GB



Email: floatingsupport@threshold-services.co.uk
Web: www.threshold-services.co.uk

# **Supported Flats Support Consent Form**

### **About this form:**

In order for us to proceed with your referral we may need to access additional information. This includes information on your psychiatric history and any current relevant information. In order for this this information to be released from your medical records could you please complete the form below and return to: *Floating Support*, *McBrien House*, *432 Antrim Road*, *Belfast*, *BT15 5GB*.

Written Consent Section		
I (Insert name) hereby consent to the request and release of the		
following records to Threshold Floating Support at the following address: 432 Antrim Road,		
Belfast, BT15 5GB.		
Specific Information to be released:Psychiatric history and any other relevant information		
Signature		
Print Name		
Date		

# 5) Monitoring Form

# FAIR ACCESS

The Northern Ireland Act 1998, places duties on organisations, including Threshold, to have due regard to the need to promote fair access to our services:-

- between persons of different religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, marital status or sexual orientation;
- between men and women;
- between persons with a disability and those without; and
- between persons with dependents and those without.

These are generally referred to as the Section 75 categories.

Threshold has an Equality Policy which sets out how we will meet the statutory equality duties. In order to constantly monitor our policies we need additional information on those who are affected by them in relation to the Section 75 categories.

Please find attached a form, from which this information will be gathered and which Threshold will treat in the strictest confidence. **The information you provide will be managed so as to fully protect your confidentiality.** 

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# **SECTION 75 MONITORING QUESTIONNAIRE**

1.	To which of these ethnic groups do you consider yourself to belong?	
	White Chinese Irish Traveller Indian Pakistani Bangladeshi Black Caribbean Black African Mixed ethnic group Other ethnic group	
2.	Do you consider yourself to have a disability? By disability we mean any physical, sensory, mental or learning in substantial and long term (lasted or expected to last 23 month impact on your ability to carry out normal day to day activities, we electronic assistance or the adaptation of your workplace.	ns or more) adverse
	Yes No	
3.	Please indicate your community background	
	I have a Protestant community background I have a Roman Catholic community background I have neither a Protestant nor a Roman Catholic community background	
4.	What is your marital status?	
	Married/Civil Partnership Living with a partner Single (never married) Separated/divorced Widowed	
5.	What is your age?	
	I am Years old	

6.	Do you have any dependants? By dependants we mean whether you have primary responsibility for the care of a chil (aged 16 and under), for the care of a person with a disability or for the care of a elderly person.		
	Yes I do have dependants No I do not have dependants		
7.	Gender Male Female		
8.	Sexual Orientation I am gay or lesbian (homosexual) I am straight (heterosexual) I am bisexual Other (please specify)		