

# COMMUNITY TREATMENT UNITS MID HERTFORDSHIRE, UK



## Community Treatment Units

The two 24 bed community treatment units are adult acute, locally based for mentally ill residents of St. Albans and Hemel Hempstead. The unit provides short term care and assessment and day care facilities.

Largely single storey, framing three courtyards with the fourth as an open entrance court, the units are designed to compliment the existing landscape, respecting the scale and privacy of its neighbours.

Each building is organised with its five 'house' clusters, or bedroom groups with an enclosed cloister linking them to the share day spaces. This allows them to move from any bedroom to another part of the building without passing through the private area of another cluster, thus allowing clients to be cared for in specific gender, racial or social groups if required. The staff communications office is centrally located between the day and impatient accommodation with views across the courtyards to each house group.

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**Sector:**  
Mental Health

**Client:**  
West Herts Community Health NHS Trust

**Role:**  
Lead Consultant & Architect

**Value:**  
£4m

**Status:**  
Completed 1995