

WHO WE ARE

We are a Vocational Unit within the Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust. Our aim is to help people recovering from a mental illness, by providing therapeutic activities whilst building their confidence, in the hope that they will be able to return to work

REFERRALS

Referrals are made with support of the secondary mental health team.

Referrals should be made on our referral form, along with copies of a care plan and Risk Assessment where this is available.

A copy of our Conduct policy needs to be read by the applicant before starting any sort of activity, this can be downloaded from our web site or read within the unit.

As part of the referral process, we suggest that the applicant reads our brochure or visits our web site to see what therapeutic activities are available.

www.orchardplaceworkshop.co.uk

REFERRAL PROCESS

- Contact the Team Manager in order to identify current vacancies.
- Arrange a visit to the workshop for an informal visit.
- After completion of the referral form send it to the Workshop Manager.
- Once the referral has been discussed, you will be informed of the outcome and, where appropriate, arrangements will be made for you to commence within the Workshop.

Have you found that having a mental health problem combined with experience of being a patient, has:

- Reduced your self-esteem and confidence, making it difficult to regain control of your life?
- Made you feel unable to face the pressures and stress of open employment?

Orchard Place aims to improve the quality of life for people with mental health problems.

- Learn new skills at your own pace, or refresh previously acquired skills.
- Improve your self-esteem and confidence.

The staff at Orchard Place create a relaxed, informal environment where mistakes are regarded as a good opportunity to learn.

Users of the workshop service, who attend a full day, are provided with a free two course lunch with a morning and afternoon tea break.

BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Friday 8.30am. - 4.30pm.

Tel: 01527 488701

Fax: 01527 488702

Should you need to contact us out of business hours please call on the above telephone number and leave your message.

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ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE

WOODWORK



Orchard Place Wood Shop provides clients with the chance to gain skills within the furniture trade. Clients produce bespoke items for the general public, building small items such as bird boxes to grand Oak dining room suites, using modern machines and power tools with up to date skills in our well equipped workshop.

FIX IT



Fix-It is a new initiative offering a general handyman service to the general public. Fix-It provides work experience for Service Users in general home maintenance including carpentry, decorating, tiling and plumbing. Skills are gained both on site, and in a specially built workshop. We encourage social inclusion, working as part of a team, as well as the practicalities of the work.

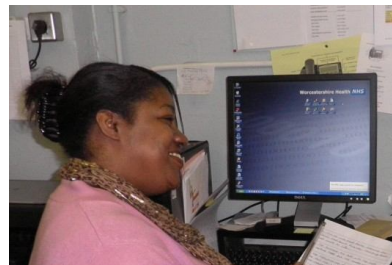
Training will also be provided during set times of the year with our in - house workshop.

PICTURE FRAMING



Clients train to make and assemble all manner of frames and mirrors, using the latest equipment in a safe and controlled workshop. They can be creative and learn new skills in a realistic work environment. Commissions are taken from the general public, clients and employees of the Trust - including the Chairman! All the frames are made to measure and there is a wide choice of frames and mounts to suit all tastes, occasions, and budgets. We frame most things from birthday cards to signed football shirts; posters, oils, and tapestries.

OFFICE SKILLS



In Office Skills the clients assist with the day to day procedures, manual and electronic, involved in the running of all the workshop departments, such as stock control, answering the telephone, typing quotes, and gathering articles for our popular monthly Newsletter. For those without the necessary skills there are opportunities for training using Microsoft Word and Publisher.

AUTOCAD / WEB DESIGN



Orchard Place launched it's own website in 2008. It was created by and is maintained by service users, with the support of our Technical Instructor. The newsletter is uploaded onto it each month, it has details of all our activities and staff as well as links to other useful websites. Also, as part of our Woodwork department, the clients have the opportunity to use an Autocad programme to learn how to create drawings and designs for the items they will be making.

CARDMAKING



Handmade greeting cards are made to order using different methods, including decoupage, teabag folding, iris folding and embossing. This workshop is popular with clients who are more creative, and want to learn something that they could continue in their own time. They are encouraged to work in groups, as well as being able to work individually. The clients participate in the process, from designing through to packaging & selling.