IN 2016 WE HAD A CQC INSPECTION... IN RESPONSE WE SET UP THE VIOLENCE COLLABORATION GROUP TO START REDUCING VIOLENCE IN THE FORENSIC SERVICE.....

#### 2018:

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We noticed that Sexual Violence was happening but we weren't recognisive it or addressing it. We started a pilot on 2 LD wards and surveyed staff to try and capture what was going on, we also introduced Purple Dots on Safety Crosses

# Sexual Violence Patient Support

## **Forensic Service**

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### THE PURPLE DOTS...

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Thank you for all of your help Michelle

Purple Dots were so successful that we rolled them out across the service. They enabled us to identify amongst other things who needed support - we decided to support staff as there was nothing in place for them

#### WHO WE ARE:

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- 3. Joel Vitalis, Life Skills Recovery Worker
  - 4. Lawrence Yong, Pyschologist

**BEYOND THE PURPLE DOTS...** we're now working to develop similiar support systems for our patients. We know this is going to be very challenging and complex for all of us. We want patients to feel listened to, supported and hope they will join us on this journey **OUR ULTIMATE AIM...** *is* to develop a safe, open and honest culture that enables people to discuss their experiences of sexual violence, to ask for, and receive support and guidance