

ARTICLE SUMMARY:
Sexual Activity among Patients in Psychiatric hospital wards
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- Gave questionnaires to inpts in 3 hospitals about the nature and frequency of their sexual activity.
- 60% response rate,(100 pts) Median length of stay of 31 days, mean age 39, mostly male, with a diagnosis split between schizophrenia, depression and bipolar disorders
- 30 of the 100 responding pts claimed that they had engaged in some form of sexual activity in the hospital, 10 of whom claimed to have had intercourse, and only 2 of whom said they had used condoms. The split was equal between males and females.
- Locations included their bedrooms, day rooms, toilets and outside the ward (stairwell, garden).
- There was no association found between ward type, length of stay, diagnosis or gender, with sexual activity.