

Ferryfield House – Rowan Ward

Rowan ward is a busy 30 bedded complex clinical care ward which specialises in palliative and end of life care. Occasionally the ward also admits patients who are awaiting guardianship or a nursing home placement. Rowan ward is within Ferryfield House, which is part of Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnerships community hospitals. We aim to provide holistic, comfortable, pain free care involving the multidisciplinary team, relatives and patients themselves. We focus on providing high quality person centred care for our patients and the team works very hard to achieve these goals.

Ferryfield House is located just off Ferry Road and is about a 10 minute walk from the Western General Hospital. Our patient group can vary from someone in their late 30s to someone in their 90s. Our patients need a level of nursing and medical input that cannot be delivered within a nursing/care home setting. This level of need is required to manage and care for our patient's co-morbidities. These co-morbidities can range from numerous health problems such as cancer, heart failure, stroke and diabetes.

We have an activities co-ordinator who supports the social stimulation of the patients and we are lucky to have a significant number of external therapists who visit the ward and support the team. These include Aromatherapy, Therapets and music in hospitals.

Unfortunately our patients tend to be with us for short periods of time, due to the nature of their illness/disease. This makes it even more important for us as a team to ensure we give them a sense of belonging and worth, and a meaningful contribution to decisions on their care and wellbeing.

It's a super ward to come to if you have experience to bring, and it is also a great ward to start off your nursing career in. There are plenty opportunities to enhance your knowledge and undertake further training. If you have a passion for a certain topic/area then we will continually encourage and support you to achieve your goal. We are looking to recruit enthusiastic, motivated staff that work hard and aim high with their standards and practice. If that's you we want to speak to you! There are opportunities for Registered and Non Registered Nurses, both full time and part time.

We look forward to meeting you!