



## Community Assessment and Treatment Unit

2020 Innovation and Best Practice Award Highly Commended Update

**Camborne Redruth and Bodmin Community Hospitals  
Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust**

### SUMMARY:

The Community Assessment and Treatment Units (CATUs) expands the current focus of a Community Hospital

### PURPOSE:

Enables care for patients with a greater acuity, whilst keeping people close to home within their communities

For more information visit:  
[www.communityhospitals.org.uk](http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk)

### AIMS:

Reduce mortality by providing appropriate clinical care for those affected by COVID 19  
Ensuring continuity of essential health and social services  
Protecting clinicians and vulnerable people  
Mitigate disruptive effects of COVID 19 e.g., shielding, social distancing and movement restrictions, to minimize the negative health impacts

### UPDATE FOR 2022:

6-space area to establish a Community SDEC (Same Day Emergency Care) 7-day service  
Since February Bodmin have offered 24/7 admissions  
Created lab testing on site that includes Point of Care Testing onsite  
Links have been made with a specialist Adolescent unit on the Bodmin site to provide enhanced care needs which is preventing admissions to other hospitals