



ABOUT HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL

The Congregation of the Daughters of the Cross of Liège established Holy Cross Hospital in 1917 in Haslemere. The Congregation is a religious community in the Catholic Church, inspired by the Gospel story of the life-giving death of Jesus. It was founded in 1833 in Liège, Belgium by Blessed Marie Therese Haze and has since spread throughout the world. The Congregation is a registered charity in this country where it also owns and manages other healthcare and educational establishments.

Holy Cross is an Independent Hospital, meaning that the National Health Service does not manage it. However we have worked closely with the NHS since its beginning to provide services for NHS patients as well as those who pay privately.

The Sisters' first Hospital was a TB sanatorium built in 1917. A new Hospital was built in 1992 with facilities that are particularly designed for severely disabled people. It continues to develop special expertise in this work, offering treatment for a range of neurological disabilities. The Physiotherapy Centre including an out-patient gymnasium and a hydrotherapy pool was added in 2009.

Other buildings include the convent (the Sisters' accommodation), the chapel and an education centre.

Holy Cross is not just a hospital - it is much more than that to all the people who live and work here and to the many others who support it and the values that it upholds.

A Hospital - a place where professionals from different disciplines work together to provide high quality medical treatment and care. Holy Cross offers a clear sense of purpose, training opportunities and the satisfaction of working in a closely-knit team.

A Home – aiming to be the kind of loving home that is the basis of Christian life. The Sisters live here and welcome all who come as patients, visitors or staff. We benefit greatly by the homely atmosphere the Sisters create. We welcome people of all faiths and of none.

A Community - where everyone has an important role to play and we all support each other.

The Registering Authority for the hospital is the Care Quality Commission and can be contacted at National Correspondence, Citygate, Gallowgate, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4PA. Its website is www.cqc.org.uk. A copy of the most recent report prepared by the Commission may be obtained from this address.

MISSION STATEMENT

In Holy Cross Hospital we specialise in the treatment of people with severe disability,

- Helping them to live their lives with dignity and reducing as far as possible the burden of disability
- Welcoming the full circle of people touched by disability for healing and growth
- Caring responsibly and creatively for the whole person in the light of the best developments in health care
- Encouraging and supporting each other to develop our skills and apply them in all our work.

In the Physiotherapy Centre we provide services to out-patients, using the best knowledge and skill at our disposal to treat painful or disabling conditions and promote recovery from illness, surgery or injury.