

# Narcotics Search Dog

**The Trust employs a narcotics search dog handler who make planned and unannounced visits to wards and departments.**

**Anyone found with illicit substances may be reported to the police.**

Your consent should always be sought before a personal search or a search of your possessions is attempted. In certain circumstances it may be necessary for a search of a detained patient or their possessions to take place without their consent. This will be fully explained with you at the point of search. A search will only take place for informal patients based on consent being given.

**For further information or to arrange a therapeutic visit to your ward speak to staff.**

