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specialists, so they have training across a range of things. But they are not specialist mental health practitioners—

just like none of them are cardiac specialist practitioners. So they will be seen and they will be supported by that

nurse. The experience will be very similar to what I said before: The person will be connected with meds, an

emergency assessment will happen and, depending on the risk that has been determined—whether that person is

at risk of suicide and the level of that risk—it will then be decided whether she is able to be supported in the

community or whether she needs to be transferred to a specialist mental health unit.

Ms CATE FAEHRMANN: And where are those specialist mental health units?

ANSWER:

The Specialist Mental Health Unit mostly used for Deniliquin Youth is in Box Hill

They may also go to Orange in NSW

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS). This is a 10 bed Child and Adolescent Acute Psychiatric Unit located in Orange Health service

More information:

Admissions to Melbourne CAMHS units for Children and Adolescents are organised via geography.

Eg Deniliquin- Box Hill

Moama/Mathoura/Barham - The Austin

Technically CAMHS admissions from Deniliquin can go anywhere in NSW (Westmead, Shellharbour, Campbelltown, Newcastle) but service providers try and stick to stick to Box Hill because it is the closest

The geography system is organised by Victoria