Adolescent Acute Psychiatric Program



Program Description

This program provides inpatient psychiatric services to youth 12-17 years of age who have been evaluated by a <u>Qualified Mental Health Professional</u> and diagnosed with a severe emotional disturbance and would likely benefit from inpatient psychiatric treatment as their mental health needs cannot be met in a less restrictive environment. A comprehensive individualized treatment plan is developed identifying the adolescent's strengths and needs, readiness for change and treatment goals. Services are person-centered and recovery focused to achieve improved health, wellness and quality of life. Once stabilized, a plan is developed to support the adolescent and their family as they transition back home or to another appropriate setting.

Admission Process

Admission may occur through a <u>mental health involuntary commitment</u>, juvenile court order or voluntarily by the guardian. This can be a parent, or a court appointed legal guardian such as the Department of Social Services or Bureau of Indian Affairs Social Services.

The following is requested during the pre-admission process:

- Presenting problems
- Psychiatric treatment history
- Medical history (If there are medical concerns, clearance by a physician may be necessary prior to admission.)
- Guardianship documentation for a child who has been adopted or is in the legal guardianship of a person or entity other than their parent. A court order is required.
- For mental health involuntary commitments, the following is required:
 - o Petition
 - QMHP Certificate
 - o Order of Detention or Commitment (Tribal)
 - For juvenile court admissions:
 - QMHP Certificate
 - o Court order

Questions?

For questions about the admissions process, required information and items your loved one can bring during their stay, contact HSC's Admission's Office at 605-668-3138 or 605-668-3100 after 9:00 p.m. CT and on weekends.

For questions about payment or financial assistance, contact the HSC Business Office at 605-668-3108.

