

UTAH STATE HOSPITAL

The Utah State Hospital is a 24 hour, inpatient psychiatric treatment facility located on East Center Street in Provo, Utah. The hospital provides treatment for 384* patients who are experiencing severe and persistent mental illness or who have been ordered for treatment through the criminal justice system.

The hospital serves persons ages 6 and older and covers all geographic areas of the state. The hospital works with 11 local mental health authorities throughout the states as part of patients' continuum of care.

The hospital is licensed by the Department of Health and is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations (JCAHO).

*Due to budget cuts current census is: 329

Mission Statement

"USH provides excellent care in a safe and respectful environment to promote hope and quality of life for individuals with mental illness."

Hospital Objectives and Persons Who May be Admitted to State Hospital

62A-15-610. Objectives of state hospital and other facilities -- Persons who may be admitted to state hospital.

(1) The objectives of the state hospital and other mental health facilities shall be to care for all persons within this state who are subject to the provisions of this chapter; and to furnish them with the proper attendance, medical treatment, seclusion, rest, restraint, amusement, occupation, and support that is conducive to their physical and mental well-being.

(2) Only the following persons may be admitted to the state hospital:

(a) persons 18 years of age and older who meet the criteria necessary for commitment under this part and who have severe mental disorders for whom no appropriate, less restrictive treatment alternative is available;

(b) persons under 18 years of age who meet the criteria necessary for commitment under Part 7, Commitment of Persons Under Age 18 to Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, and for whom no less restrictive alternative is available;

(c) persons adjudicated and found to be guilty with a mental illness under Title 77, Chapter 16a, Commitment and Treatment of Persons with a Mental Illness;

(d) persons adjudicated and found to be not guilty by reason of insanity who are under a subsequent commitment order because they have a mental illness and are a danger to themselves or others, under Section **77-16a-302**;

(e) persons found incompetent to proceed under Section **77-15-6**;

(f) persons who require an examination under Title 77, Utah Code of Criminal Procedure; and

(g) persons in the custody of the Department of Corrections, admitted in accordance with Section **62A-15-605.5**, giving priority to those persons with severe mental disorders.

Services

The Utah State Hospital provides mental health treatment that is focused on individualized care. Services include: psychiatry, psychology, nursing, social work, recreational therapy, physical therapy, medical/ancillary, occupational therapy, substance abuse, educational, and a variety of therapeutic groups and individual therapies.

Allocation of State Hospital Beds

Pursuant to 62A-15-611 and 62A-15-612, all adult and pediatric civil beds are allocated to the local mental health authorities. The formula to separately allocate to local mental health authorities adult and pediatric beds is established in administrative rules and is periodically reviewed.

When patients are civilly committed under UCA 62A-15-631 or UCA 62A-15-703, the commitment is to the local mental health authority, not to the state hospital. The local mental health authority must then determine the best placement for the civilly committed person which can be a residential placement in the community or the State Hospital in one of the mental health authority's allocated beds.

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