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DPHHS Response to Legislative Committee Information Request

Requesting Committee: Children, Families, Health and Human Services Interim Committee

Requested Information:

1. Data that can break down the bed types at each facility by:
 - Emergency detention beds for mental health crisis situations;
 - i. Please see the attached spreadsheet, Tab 1, "Hospitals."

The Office of Inspector General interprets this request to mean the number of licensed beds in a hospital or critical access hospital setting that provide acute, inpatient behavioral or psychiatric care.

- Beds available across the state for short-term crisis stabilization of mental health conditions; and
 - i. Please see the attached Spreadsheet, Tab 2, "MHCs."

The Office of Inspector General interprets this request to mean the number of licensed beds under Mental Health Center licensing that provide outpatient (up to 23 hours and 59 minutes) and inpatient (24 hours or more) crisis stabilization.

- Beds available for long-term, voluntary psychiatric treatment for adolescents and adults.
 - i. Please see the attached Spreadsheets, Tabs 3 – 6: PRTFs, MH GHs, TYGHs, and PAARP, respectively.



The Office of Inspector General interprets this request to encompass Psychiatric Residential Treatment Centers, Mental Health Group Homes (including forensic mental health group homes), Therapeutic Youth Group Homes, and Private Alternative Adolescent Residential and Outdoor Programs.

2. We also want to ensure we have a correct understanding of “secured beds.” What are the requirements to be listed in the Bounds portal as a secured bed?
 - i. “Secured care unit” is defined in Administrative Rules of Montana 37.106.301 to mean, “... a licensed facility or unit of a facility that provides care in an environment where the doors are secured by delayed egress locks 24 hours a day.”

It is important to note that when facility providers complete initial and renewal applications, they can change the number of beds and the designation of beds in the system, and their interpretation of secured beds may not align with our definition. The Office of Inspector General staff updates the information if errors are found.