



Provider Alert

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The purpose of this Provider Alert is to communicate the purpose and implementation of the Daily Bed Census. Beginning on May 1, 2025, the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health is implementing a Daily Bed Census. The purpose of the bed census is to better serve our patients by managing bed capacity in real-time. A daily bed census is also a requirement in the contract between our facilities.

Background

This Daily Bed Census builds on a pilot that began in 2024 in which facilities entered daily census into the Mental Health Resource Locator and Navigator Application (MHRLN). DMH is building out access for the bed management system in MHRLN, and until that functionality is ready, facilities will receive an email with an electronic link to report bed census every day.

Implementation

Beginning **May 1, 2025**, a link will be sent via email to your facility's designated points of contact every day with a request to complete the survey by 3 pm for that day's census.

If your facility has not yet designated your points of contact, please complete the Daily Bed Census Contact form at this link: https://DailyBedCensus_Contacts

One survey is required to be completed each day, including weekends and holidays, so multiple contacts are requested.

Information Requested on the Daily Bed Census

Depending upon the type of contract(s) you have with DMH, the survey will include basic data such as number of occupied and unoccupied acute psychiatric inpatient beds at your facility each day and for some, data stratified by gender, insurance type, etc.

Your cooperation to comply with this effort is requested. A daily bed census is a contractual obligation as noted in the Acute Psychiatric Inpatient Services Exhibit A – SOW, Section 4.5.

Facilities that do not comply will be notified if the daily survey is not received. A Daily Bed Census Job Aid with detailed information on how to complete this report is forthcoming. Should you have any questions, please contact DailyBedCensus@dmh.lacounty.gov

We thank you for your work and collaboration regarding the Daily Bed Census.