

AUGUSTUS F. HAWKINS MENTAL HEALTH CENTER DESCRIPTION

With the planned new state-of-the-art Behavioral Health Center being constructed on the campus of the new Martin Luther King Jr. Community Hospital, there is a need to identify a new location for the acute psychiatric, inpatient, secure, male and female adult and adolescent programs.

The current acute inpatient program at Augustus F. Hawkins Mental Health Center is licensed for 76 beds with 60 available, and 8 in suspension. In total, the program includes five inpatient adult units and one adolescent unit.

Each unit has a seclusion room, common shower room, a locked nursing station inclusive with a locked medication room, conference room with computer, and laundry & linen.

Additionally, the Program requires space for the following:

- One office for each: Medical Records, Library, Nursing Administrative Office, Chaplain, DMH Liaison, Patient Financial Services, dietary;
- 12 administrative offices;
- 16 social services offices;
- 12 MD/therapist offices;
- 5 psychology offices;
- 3 clinical pharmacy offices;
- 3 Utilization Review RN offices;
- 8 RT offices;
- 8 OT; offices;
- 2 large areas for RT (exercise & recreation);
- Academic Programs space requirements: 2 education rooms, 2 offices and 2 call rooms. 1 large educational room; 3 conference rooms for grand rounds and lectures.

In addition, a pharmacy is located within the building with hours of operation from 7 a.m. - 11 p.m. After hours and weekend pharmaceutical coverage is managed externally via the hospital. Currently, a laboratory is within the building and responding programs would need to secure laboratory coverage. Dietary is covered for three meals and snacks are required.

Below is a summary of the secure units and bed volumes. Each room has a sink and a bathroom with a communal shower room on the unit. All units separate genders through physical space such as separate corridors, or males on one side of the unit and females on the other side of the unit.

- Adolescent: 10 beds
- Adult: Unit A=11 beds, Unit B=11 beds, Unit C=9 beds, Unit D=11 beds, Unit E=8 beds

There are 8 seclusion rooms and one room used for haircuts. Currently, most rooms have 2 beds, but single bed rooms with a toilet and sink is preferred.

Patients are admitted with a variety of acute psychiatric diagnoses; many have comorbid substance abuse and medical problems. Acute care and treatment consists of a structured social environment with emphasis on reality reinforcement, psychiatric medication, individual and group psychotherapy, psychological assessment, occupational therapy, recreational therapy and psychiatric social services, including family therapy and discharge planning.

The USC Residency Training Program provides services to both the adult and adolescent units. There are two parts to the academic program, clinical care and education. The current location provides facility space for both which includes 2 education rooms, 2 offices and 2 call rooms, 1 large educational room; and 3 conference rooms for grand rounds and lectures.

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