

DMH Licensed Inpatient Unit Conditions Data Definitions

(To be maintained on a Daily Basis by Unit or by Population)

The data is retrospective, for the last full day. The definition of a day is 12:00am to 11:59pm. All data should be aggregate data for the entire length of the day unless otherwise noted in the definition.

The data must be collected and stored by the hospital/unit and available upon request of DMH licensure. Please retain records for three years, to ensure that it covers a complete licensing cycle.

Definitions of Terms:

Census - Census on the unit (or population) at 11:59 PM

Admissions - The number of admissions on the day for which the data is being collected

Denials - The number of admission denials on the day for which the data is being collected

Extra staff - The number of eight hour shifts of extra personnel on the day for which the data is being collected (This can be a fraction of a shift, i.e. .5 shift, 1 shift, 1.5 shift)

Decreased operational capacity due to staffing - The number of beds that cannot be admitted to (for any admission) on a short-term (72 hours or less) basis, due to staffing. [More than 72 hours should be reported to DMH Licensing as a reduction in operational capacity, with reasons.]

1:1 or constant observation - The number of patients on 1:1 or constant observation on the day for which the data is being collected

2:1 observation - The number of patients on 2:1 observation on the day for which the data is being collected

Number of patients needing quiet room – The number of patients who utilized the quiet room voluntarily in the past 24 hours

Number of restraints (physical, mechanical, or medication) – The number of patients requiring restraints on the unit on the day for which the data is being collected

Number of seclusions – The number of patients requiring seclusion on the unit on the day for which the data is being collected

Number of assaults on staff or patients – Count of any physical assaults that happened on the day for which the data is being collected

Patients requiring additional nursing care related to medical conditions – The number of patients on the day for which the data is being collected with medical conditions requiring additional nursing care

Number of blocked beds – The number of beds blocked at 11:59 PM, due to patient factors that require a single room

Rooms closed for repair – The number of beds that cannot be admitted to (for any admission) on a short-term (72 hours or less) basis, due to repair work such as painting or environmental fixes

Infectious outbreak - The number of beds that cannot be admitted to (for any admission), due to an infectious outbreak such as norovirus