



Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
Health Services

MEMORANDUM

To: Michigan Hospitals, Community Mental Health Service Providers,
Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans

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RE: Psychiatric Bed Registry Dashboard Launch

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and the Psychiatric Bed Registry Advisory Workgroup would like to inform you that the Michigan Psychiatric Bed Registry Dashboard is now available for searchers. This initiative was designed to improve access to behavioral health services by streamlining the process of locating available inpatient psychiatric beds across the state. It marks a significant step forward for Michigan.

The MDHHS and the workgroup would like to thank all of our partners who have spent many hours helping this initiative come to life. The workgroup partnered with the Michigan Health & Hospital Association (MHA), the Community Mental Health Association of Michigan (CMHAM), and other healthcare partners to gather feedback throughout the development and testing of the Psychiatric Bed Registry Dashboard. The workgroup includes representatives from hospitals, Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs), Community Mental Health Service Programs (CMHSPs) and other community partners. The workgroup helped oversee the implementation requirements of PA 658 of 2018, which established the creation of a Psychiatric Bed Registry to provide timely psychiatric inpatient bed availability.

The Psychiatric Bed Registry is a near **real-time, web-based directory** that allows authorized users to view the availability of psychiatric beds across Michigan hospitals through a searchable website. This tool is intended to support emergency departments and behavioral health professionals in identifying available bed placement for individuals experiencing psychiatric crises. The searcher website uses bed availability data reported within EMResource by psychiatric hospitals. Psychiatric hospitals are required to update their bed availability as close to real time as possible. Each hospital was able to select a bed updating process, selecting a manual updating process, a bulk upload updating process, or an automatic updating process through an Application Programming Interface (API).

At this time, access to the registry is **limited to authorized users** through a secure authentication process. This includes staff from emergency departments, psychiatric facilities, CMHSPs and PIHPs. The authorized users are individuals working directly for organizations

involved in guiding individuals through the psychiatric inpatient authorization process. This is to ensure that organizations qualified to guide individuals through the authorization process for inpatient psychiatric care are able to support Michiganders who are seeking inpatient psychiatric services.

The advisory workgroup will further develop the psychiatric bed registry as we assess the need for additional features and location types.

All hospitals with inpatient psychiatric beds have been onboarded and trained on the new Psychiatric Bed Registry and are currently updating their inpatient psychiatric bed availability.

The MDHHS is requesting representatives from the aforementioned organizations who would like their staff to have access to the searcher dashboard to reach out to mpcip-support@mphi.org.

Please reach out to mpcip-support@mphi.org with any questions or concerns and thank you again for your cooperation and commitment to this important initiative.