



New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute (NMBHI)

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Mission

The New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute is committed to meeting the diverse and evolving mental and health care needs *of all New Mexicans*.

Vision Statement

The vision of the Behavioral Health Institute is to be a state and national health care leader, by providing the highest quality of health care for all age groups in the areas of:

- Mental Health
- Geriatric Care
- Forensic
- Adolescent & Children
- Restorative Therapies
- Outpatient Community Mental Health Services

And by integrating services with other providers.

- Clinical research & education
- Encouragement of patient responsibility for their own care
- Flexibility in our leadership role in accomplishing this vision
- *Responsiveness to the needs of New Mexicans*

Overview & Divisions

NMBHI is the only state owned and operated psychiatric hospital in New Mexico and was started in 1889. Our campus is over 300 acres with approximately 50 buildings. We have 801 FTE positions – currently have 595 employees & approximately 30 contractors. NMBHI is made up of five clinical divisions that are licensed and accredited through the Joint Commission:

- Adult Psychiatric Division (APD) – 112 Beds
- Center for Adolescent Relationship Exploration (CARE) – 10 Beds
- Community Based Services (CBS)
- Forensic –88 Licensed Beds
- Long Term Care/Meadows (LTC) – 162 Beds

Adult Psychiatric Division (APD)

Civil commitments – Provide involuntary treatment to the most difficult to treat population.

- People come in through the civil side of the legal process.
 - adults suffering from a major mental illness that severely impairs their functioning, their ability to be maintained in the community and who present as an imminent danger to self and/or others.
- Multidisciplinary teams provide comprehensive behavioral health treatment.
- We take all 30-day court orders plus 7-day orders from emergency rooms when available.
- Bill Medicaid on average 10% of the stay is covered, 90% is general fund.

Center for Adolescent Relationship Exploration (CARE)

CARE is a Residential Treatment Center that provides treatment for adolescent males ages 13-17 who have caused sexual harm and have a co-morbid mental health diagnosis.

- Voluntary program.
- Treatment is approximately 12 months but may vary.
- Services are billed but very small number of kids.

Community Based Services (CBS)

CBS is an outpatient behavioral health center in Las Vegas, Pecos & Santa Rosa.

- Communities near the state hospital have a disproportionately high number of residents with serious and persistent mental illnesses because people have been discharged here.
- Able to bill on a fee-for-service basis, but the reimbursement does not cover costs and is reliant on general fund.
- Currently services are voluntary

Long Term Care/Meadows (LTC)

LTC is a restraint-free skilled nursing facility, licensed the same as all nursing homes in the state.

- Provides high quality long-term care services to residents.
- Bills for services, mostly Medicaid.

Forensic

A hospital-based setting that offers treatment to attain competency to stand trial for individuals who have been found non-competent to stand trial or deemed non-restorable.

- Multidisciplinary teams provide comprehensive behavioral health treatment.
- Treat to competency – unable to participate in own defense – felony who is “dangerous” – based on determination not crime.
- 1.5 – not competent, not restorable. Specific crimes are eligible, if an individual is placed on this order they are here for the time for which they would have been sentenced had they been found guilty of the crime they were alleged to commit.
- 100% general fund, cannot bill Medicaid.

Forensic

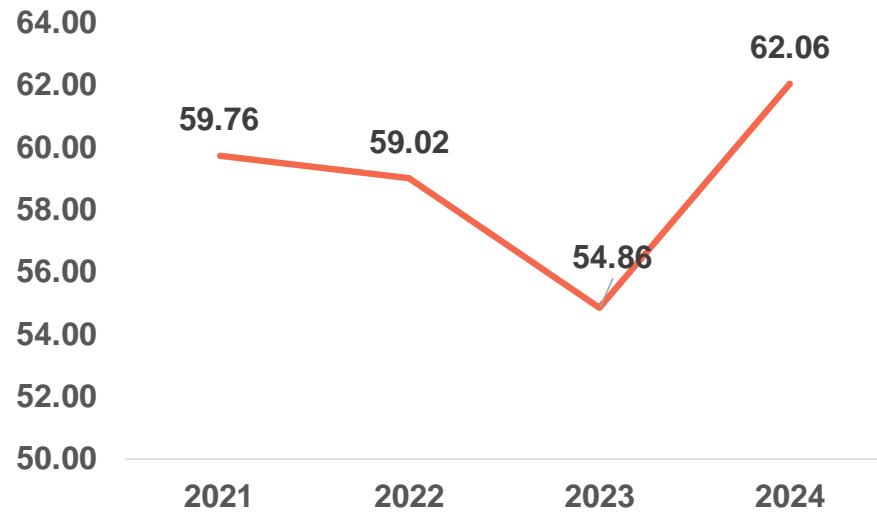
What treatment is provided?

Goal is competency restoration

- Cannot attain competency restoration without treating symptoms.
- Patients receive medications, groups, therapy, testing, nursing services, therapeutic milieu, and are free from illicit substances.
- Our goal is competency restoration – our treatment stabilizes symptoms in general.

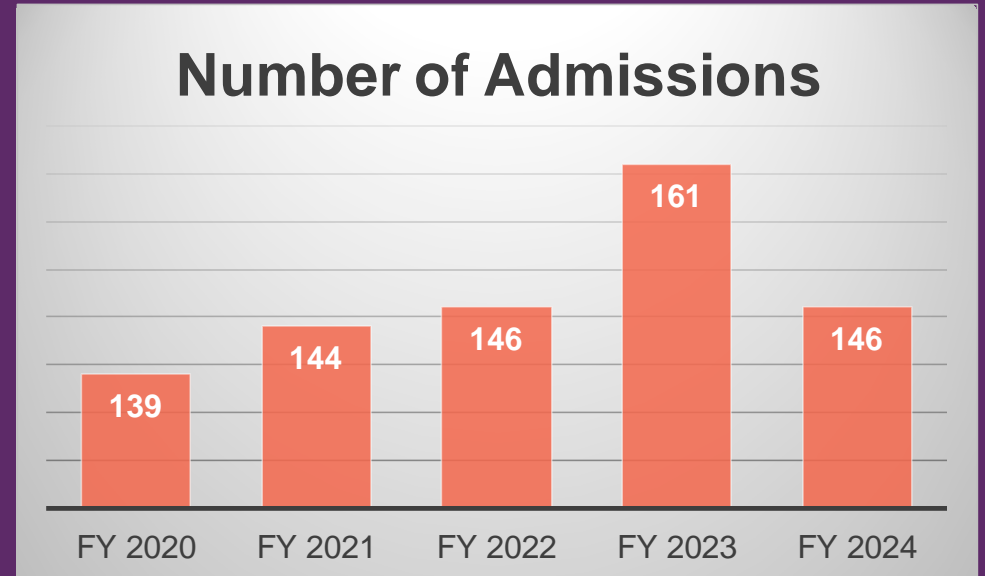
Forensic Data

Average Census



ADC June = 68
Trending up

Number of Admissions



FY 24 through May 31st
All referrals are admitted within
the 30-day statutory requirement.

Outcome Data

	January	February	March	April	May
Average Length of Stay	95	318.5	152.2	92	256.8
Restoration Rate	75%	100%	92%	64%	67%

Followed 116 patients after competency restoration treatment October 2022 – October 2023

Court agreed 112 times

Challenged 4 times