

Emergency Facility Requests

2023 Annual Report

Health General §10-621(d)

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I. Background

The Health-General Article § 10-621 in the Annotated Code of Maryland requires the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) to:

1. At least once a year, publish a list of emergency facilities and their addresses; and give the list to each health department, judge of a court, sheriff's office, police station, local behavioral health authority, and Secret Service office in this State; and
2. Each year, the MDH shall report to the General Assembly, per § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, on:
 - a. The number of facilities that have sought to be designated an emergency facility;
 - b. The number of the facilities reported under item (a) of this subsection that have attempted to meet the model facility standards developed under Health-General Article § 10-621(c);
 - c. The progress of the facilities reported under item (b) of this subsection toward meeting the model facility standards;
 - d. The development of collaborative models between State, local, and private entities; and
 - e. Whether MDH, in consultation with stakeholders, has determined that any changes to the model facility standards are necessary..

The model facility standards that the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) has developed with stakeholders have progressed to become proposed regulations for Crisis Stabilization Centers. The regulations are slated to be reintroduced in the Fall of 2023, which will provide an additional round of public comments, and are anticipated to be finalized and active in FY 2024.

II. Overview

The Health-General Article § 10-620 in the Annotated Code of Maryland defines an “Emergency Facility” as “a facility that the MDH designates, in writing, as an emergency facility and includes a licensed general hospital that has an emergency room, unless the MDH, after consultation with the health officer, exempts the hospital.”

Health-General Article § 10-621 established that emergency facilities can also include comprehensive crisis response centers, crisis stabilization centers, crisis treatment centers established under Health General § 7.5-207, and outpatient mental health clinics, if they meet the model program structure.

The MDH/BHA model program structure and subsequent proposed Crisis Stabilization Center regulations describe the main components facilities require to become a designated psychiatric emergency facility that accepts emergency petitioned individuals. They include:

1. Comprehensive services and adequate staffing;
2. 24/7 hours of operation;
3. Assessment timelines;
4. Medical evaluation;
5. Withdrawal management capabilities for all substances, along with initiation of medication for the treatment of opioid use disorder (MOUD); and

6. Secure locked facility.

Maryland has 37 facilities currently designated as psychiatric emergency facilities (see Appendix A), all of which are hospital emergency departments. MDH/BHA continues to work with stakeholders to expand the number and type of facilities designated as psychiatric emergency facilities across the State.

III. Reporting Requirements

The Health-General Article § 10-621(d) requires MDH to report annually on:

- 1. The number of facilities seeking to be designated as an emergency facility**

In FY 23, no additional facilities sought to be designated as a psychiatric emergency facility. In FY 22, only one facility, the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center Emergency Department, located in Lanham, MD, became designated as a psychiatric emergency facility in September 2022.

Some crisis providers in the State have expressed an interest in becoming a designated psychiatric emergency facility. However, they are awaiting the republishing of the revised proposed Crisis Stabilization Center regulations, which will include provider reimbursement rates through Medicaid for the new provider type of Crisis Stabilization Centers. MDH is in the process of advancing these efforts.

- 2. The number of facilities that attempted to meet the model facility standards developed under Health-General Article § 10-621(c);**

None.

- 3. The progress of the facilities reported under item (2) of this subsection toward meeting the model facility standards;**

Not applicable.

- 4. The development of collaborative models between state, local, and private entities:**

MDH continues to work with stakeholders across the state to design and implement an innovative, comprehensive, integrated behavioral health crisis system that serves children, youth, adults, and senior adults. The integrated crisis system is based on best practices and includes an immediate, recovery-oriented solution to support individuals in crisis, avoids unnecessary emergency department visits and hospitalizations, and avoids unnecessary incarceration. The Maryland Crisis System Workgroup (MCSW), composed of over 100 stakeholders, has been the convening body to develop the integrated behavioral health crisis system since February 2021. In addition, working through numerous partners, the workgroup provides a platform for statewide collaboration, exploration, and implementation of national, state, and local models.

- 5. MDH's consultation with stakeholders to determine changes to the model facility**

standards is necessary.

As mentioned in above, MDH continues to partner with stakeholders in designing and implementing an integrated behavioral health crisis system. This includes consultation on changes and refinements to the model facility standards. For example, feedback is received from formal and informal mechanisms, including bi-monthly meetings of the MCSW. See Appendix B for the stakeholders involved in developing the model program structure and the proposed Crisis Stabilization Center regulations

IV. Conclusions

MDH continues to work with stakeholders to expand the number and type of facilities designated as psychiatric emergency facilities across the state under the goal of designing and implementing an innovative, comprehensive, integrated behavioral health crisis system serving children, youth, adults, and senior adults in the State while operating with a regional and local approach.

In collaboration with diverse stakeholders, including hospital and behavioral health providers, people with lived experiences, advocacy organizations, and numerous state partners, MDH will continue to identify and determine changes and refinements to the model facility standards and work to expand the number of facilities seeking designation as psychiatric emergency facilities across the State.

Appendix A

APPENDIX A 2023 DESIGNATED PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY FACILITY LIST

Allegany County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
U P M C Western Maryland	12500 Willowbrook Road	Cumberland	MD	21502	(240) 964-7000

Anne Arundel County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center, Inc	2001 Medical Parkway	Annapolis	MD	21401	(443) 481-1000
UM Baltimore Washington Medical Center	301 Hospital Drive	Glen Burnie	MD	21061	(410) 595-1967

Baltimore City

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Grace Medical Center	2000 West Baltimore Street	Baltimore	MD	21223	(410) 362-3000
Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center	4940 Eastern Avenue	Baltimore	MD	21224	(410) 550-0123
Johns Hopkins Hospital, The	600 North Wolfe Street	Baltimore	MD	21287	(410) 955-5000
Medstar Union Memorial Hospital	201 East University Parkway	Baltimore	MD	21218	(410) 554-2227
Sinai Hospital Of Baltimore	2401 West Belvedere Avenue	Baltimore	MD	21215	(410) 601-5131
University Of Maryland Medical Center	22 South Greene Street	Baltimore	MD	21201	(410) 328-8667
University Of Md Medical Center Midtown Campus	827 Linden Avenue	Baltimore	MD	21201	(410) 225-8996

Baltimore County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Medstar Franklin Square Medical Center	9000 Franklin Square Drive	Rosedale	MD	21237	(443) 777-7850
Northwest Hospital Center	5401 Old Court Road	Randallstown	MD	21133	(410) 521-2200
University Of Md St Joseph Medical Center	7601 Osler Drive	Towson	MD	21204	(410) 337-1000

Calvert County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Calvert Health Medical Center	100 Hospital Road	Prince Frederick	MD	20678	(410) 535-8240

Caroline County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
UM Shore Medical Ctr At Chestertown	100 Brown Street	Chestertown	MD	21620	(410) 778-7668
UM Shore Medical Ctr at Dorchester	300 Byrn Street	Cambridge	MD	21613	(410) 228-5511
UM Shore Medical Center At Easton	219 South Washington Street	Easton	MD	21601	(410) 822-1000

Carroll County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Carroll Hospital Center	200 Memorial Avenue	Westminster	MD	21157	(410) 848-3000

Cecil County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Union Hospital Of Cecil County	106 Bow Street	Elkton	MD	21921	(410) 392-7009

Charles County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
University Of Md Charles Regional Medical Center	5 Garrett Avenue	La Plata	MD	20646	(301) 609-4265

Dorchester County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
UM Shore Medical Ctr at Dorchester	300 Byrn Street	Cambridge	MD	21613	(410) 228-5511

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Frederick County

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Frederick Health Hospital	400 West Seventh St	Frederick	MD	21701	(240) 566-3300

Garrett County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Garrett Regional Medical Center	251 North Fourth Street	Oakland	MD	21550	(301) 533-4173

Harford County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
University Of Md Harford Memorial Hospital	501 South Union Avenue	Havre De Grace	MD	21078	(443) 643-3303
University Of Md Upper Chesapeake Medical Center	500 Upper Chesapeake Drive	Bel Air	MD	21014	(443) 643-3303

Howard County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Howard County General Hospital	5755 Cedar Lane	Columbia	MD	21044	(410) 740-7890

Kent County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
UM Shore Medical Ctr At Chestertown	100 Brown Street	Chestertown	MD	21620	(410) 778-7668

Montgomery County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Adventist Healthcare Shady Grove Medical Center	9901 Medical Center Drive	Rockville	MD	20850	(240) 826-6527
Adventist Healthcare White Oak Medical Center	11890 Healing Way	Silver Spring	MD	20904	(240) 637-4000
Holy Cross Hospital	1500 Forest Glen Road	Silver Spring	MD	20910	(301) 754-7000
Medstar Montgomery Medical Center	18101 Prince Philip Drive	Olney	MD	20832	(301) 774-8771
Suburban Hospital	8600 Old Georgetown Road	Bethesda	MD	20814	(301) 896-2576

Prince George's County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Ctr, Inc	8118 Good Luck Road	Lanham	MD	20706	(301) 552-8118
Medstar Southern Maryland Hospital Center	7503 Surratts Road	Clinton	MD	20735	(301) 868-8000
UM Laurel Medical Center	7300 Van Dusen Rd	Laurel	MD	20707	(301) 725-4300
University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center	3001 Hospital Drive	Cheverly	MD	20785	(301) 618-2000

Queen Anne's County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
UM Shore Medical Ctr At Chestertown	100 Brown Street	Chestertown	MD	21620	(410) 778-7668
UM Shore Medical Ctr At Easton	219 South Washington Street	Easton	MD	21601	(410) 822-1000

St. Mary's County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Medstar Saint Mary's Hospital	25500 Point Lookout Road	Leonardtown	MD	20650	(301) 475-6001

Somerset County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Tidalhealth Peninsula Regional, Inc	100 East Carroll Avenue	Salisbury	MD	21801	(410) 546-6400

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Talbot County

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UM Shore Medical Center At Easton	219 South Washington Street	Easton	MD	21601	(410) 822-1000

Washington County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Meritus Medical Center	11116 Medical Campus Road	Hagerstown	MD	21742	(240) 313-9500

Wicomico County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Tidalhealth Peninsula Regional, Inc	100 East Carroll Avenue	Salisbury	MD	21801	(410) 546-6400

Worcester County

Facility_Name	Facility_Address	Facility_City	Facility_State	Facility_Zip	Facility_Phone
Tidalhealth Peninsula Regional, Inc	100 East Carroll Avenue	Salisbury	MD	21801	(410) 546-6400

Appendix B

Stakeholders Involved in the Development of the Model Program Structure and Proposed Crisis Stabilization Center Regulations (through the Maryland Crisis System Workgroup and comments submitted on proposed regulations)

MARYLAND CRISIS SYSTEM WORKGROUP STAKEHOLDERS September 5, 2023	
Full Name	Organization
Adrienne Mickler	Anne Arundel LBHA
Aliya Jones	Luminis Health
Allen Twigg	Meritus Health
Alyssa Brown	Medicaid
Ameejill Whitlock	Middle River Volunteer Fire and Rescue
Amy Woodrum	BHA
Andrea Barton	Crisis Service Coord for Washington Co LAA
Andrea Brown	Black Mental Health Alliance
Andrew Guy	Medicaid
Angela Onime	BHA
Ann Ciekot	Public Policy Partners Maryland
Ann Geddes	Md. Coalition for Families
Ari Blum	Baltimore County, Department of Health
Ashley Johnson	Carefirst
Barry Page	BHA
Bernard Gyebi-Foster	CEO
Brendan Welsh	BHA
Carlos Mackall	TLC in PG county
Carmen Lopez-Arvizu	Kennedy Krieger
Carrie Tressler	Washington County Mental Health Authority
Casey Crowley	Sheppard Pratt
Catherine Gray	Anne Arundel LBHA
Chanie Beckman	Executive Assistant, Sante Groupe
Christine Milano	BHA
Christopher Shea	St. Mary's County Health Department
Connie Martin	BHA
Crista Taylor	BHSB LBHA
Dan Martin	Mental Health Association of Maryland
Daniel Kornfield	Dignity Best Practices
Daniel Rabbitt	BHSB Baltimore (GBRICS)
Danielle Scott	Mental Health Baltimore
Darren McGregor	BHA

Daryl Plevy	Consultant
Deana Krizan	Balto.Crisis Response
Del. Karen Lewis Young	Delegate
Debbie Hawkins	BHA (Organizer)
Deborah Azuine	unknown
Dionne Bowie	BHA
Dome Hill	Montgomery County Dept. Health Human Services
Ebony Vaughan	VTS Mental Health
Ed Soffe	BHA
Enjoli Gomez	Allegany County Health Department (LBHA)
Eric Weintraub	UMD SOM
Erin Dorrien	Maryland Hospital Association
Erin Schurmann	Taking Megan Renfrew's place as HSCRS Rep.
Fred Chanteau	Retired from Affiliated Sante Group
Holly Wilcox	Johns Hopkins Hospital
Gina Eckart	Health Management Associates
Greer Brown	BHA (Organizer)
Harsh K. Trivedi	Sheppard Pratt Health Systems
Heidi Bunes	Executive Director, Maryland Psychiatric Society, Inc.
Holly Wilcox	Johns Hopkins School of Medicine
Howard Ashkin	Medmark
Ijeaku Ezekwesili	Trulife Mental Health Services
Jacqueline E. Somerville	Prince George's Co. Health Dept.
James Rhoden	GOCCP
James Yoe	BHA
Jeff O'Neal	CEO, Brook Lane in Western Maryland
Jennifer Corbin	Anne Arundel Crisis System
Jennifer Lowther	Univ. Md. Innovations Institute
Jennifer Redding	Un. Md. Upper Chesapeake Health, Klein Crisis Center
Jessica Kraus	Harford County CSA
Jessica Sexauer	<u>Worcester County LBHA</u>
Joe Petrizzo	Holy Cross Health
John Caruso	Carroll County Crisis Response
Jonathan Davis	Baltimore Crisis Response
Kevin Keegan	Duplicate different address
Kandy McFarland	Adventist Healthcare
Kate Farinholt	NAMI
Kathleen Rebbert-Franklin	BHA
Kathryn Dilley	Midshore Behavioral Health, LBHA
Katie Rouse	OOO
Kayla Sembly	Medicaid
Kaylin McJilton	BHA
Keesha Holden-White	OC Wellness LLC

Kelsey Hulteng	Carroll County Youth Services Bureau
Kevin Keegan	Catholic Charities of MD
Kristen Dreaper	King Health Systems
Laura Burns-Heffner	BHA
Lauren Levy	Cecil Co Health Dept
Lisa Fassett	BHA
Lori Bradford	BHA
Lori Doyle	MDCBH
Lucy Bill Moore	Program Director Behavioral Health Crisis System, BHA
Makeitha Abdulbarr	Metropolitan BH Svcs
Mara Weinstein	Pew Charitable Trusts
Margaret Fowler	Executive Director, TLC.MD.org
Maria Rodowski-Stanco	BHA
Marian Bland	BHA
Mariana Izraelson	Grassroots Crisis System
Marianne Gibson	OCCC
Mark Podrazik	Health Management
Marshall Henson	BHA
Mary Viggiani	BHA
Maryana Townsend	Luminis Health
Megan Peters	MDH
Michael Clark	Pew Charitable Trusts
Michael Udwin	Carefirst
Michelle Grigsby-Hackett	Sante Group
Mindy Kim-Woo	MDH Office of Facilities Management & Development
Nancy C. Brown	Medicaid
Nancy Rosen-Cohen	National Council Alcoholism and Drug Dependency
Oleg Tarkovsky	Carefirst
Patricia Miedusiewski	Community Advocate
Quinta Garrett	Director of Call Center and System Coordination
Quinton Askew	211 Maryland
Rachel Ames	GOCCP
Rebecca Raggio	Medicaid
Robin Yasinow	Unknown
Sam Richbert	VP of Programs, Sante Group
Samantha Jackson	Unknown
Samantha Moorhead	Dignity Best Practices
Sandra Smith	Sheppard Pratt Health Systems
Sandy Kerrigan	Worcester Co Health Dept
Sarah Myers	MDH
Scott Graham	Holy Cross Health
Scott Rose	Sheppard Pratt Health Systems

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Serina Eckwood	NAMI
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Sharon Lubag	<i>unknown</i>
Shelly Gulledege	BHA
Sherone Lewis	BHA
Stacey Walker, MSC, LCSW-C	Tidal Health
Stacy DelVecchio	St. Mary's County Health Department
Stephanie House	BHA
Stephanie Knight	UMD SOM
Stephanie Slowly	BHA
Steve Thomas	Anne Arundel Police Department
Steven Flynn	Emergency Crisis Response Provider in PG County
Steven Whitefield	BHA
Susan Bradley	BHA
Susaanti Follingstad	<i>unknown</i>
Tamika Williams	<i>unknown</i>
Tammy M. Loewe	St. Mary's County Health Department
Tatiana Reyes	Gov's Office of Crime Prevent, Youth, and Victim Svcs.
Thomas Merrick	BHA
Tiffany Spaulding Wrona	Sante Group
Timothy Feist	Tidal Health
Tina Field	Baltimore County
Tricia Roddy	Medicaid
Uma Ahluwalia	Health Management Associates
Vamsi Kalari	Kennedy Krieger
Vernessa Scurry	VP of Operations, Sante Group
Vickie Walters	IBR/REACH Executive Director
Victor Welzant	ICISF
Victoria Sterling	Director of BH, Washington Co. HD
Will Andalora	Director Office of Facilities Management & Development