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| Department: | Psychiatry – Psychiatric Geriatric Medicine Unit |
| Administrator: | Vice Chair - Psychiatry |
| Goals: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improvement in mental well-being and general health of patients and families 2. Assessment of patient and family needs 3. Patient education, counseling and appropriate referrals |
| Objectives: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To provide comprehensive care for patient with acute symptoms of psychiatric and/or substance abuse disorders and the acute effects of medical illness or the aging process with emotional illness. 2. To provide comprehensive psychosocial and functional assessments to the adult psychiatric, dual diagnoses and medical/geriatric psychiatric population. 3. To provide group, individual and family therapy to patients with psychiatric, substance abuse, dual diagnoses and with cognitive impairments. 4. To provide patient education regarding the management of psychiatric, dual diagnosis and cognitive impairment. |
| Practice Standards: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. John Dempsey Hospital Medical Staff Rules and Regulations 2. State of Connecticut Nurse Practice Act; John Dempsey Hospital Nursing Practice Manual 3. Unit Specific Program Manuals 4. CADAC Standards 5. ASAM Criteria for patient placement 6. JCAHO, federal and state standards |
| Scope of Services: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Psychiatric Services: Adult patients requiring inpatient treatment for psychiatric, dual diagnosis and/or cognitive impairment. 2. Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) evaluations, treatment and follow-up care. |
| Service Availability: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Inpatient 24 hours/day 2. Emergency/Crisis services are available through the Emergency Department as needed (24 hours/day) 3. Consultation Liaison services available to Medical Services as needed. |
| Patient Population/ Customers: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adult patients with psychiatric, dual diagnoses, acute effects of medical illness or aging process along with medical illness. |
| Providers/ Staffing: | <p>Multidisciplinary Staff, including:</p> <p>State of CT licensed, John Dempsey Hospital credentialed Psychiatrists</p> <p>State of CT licensed, John Dempsey Hospital credentialed Psychologists</p> <p>State of CT licensed, John Dempsey Hospital credentialed APRN Nurse Practitioners</p> <p>State of CT licensed, John Dempsey Hospital credentialed Social Workers (CISW)</p> <p>State of CT licensed, Alcohol/Drug Counselors</p> <p>State of CT licensed Registered Nurses</p> <p>State of CT licensed Occupational Therapists</p> <p>State of CT licensed, Professional Counselors</p> <p>Certified Recreational Therapist / Certified Occupational Therapist</p> <p>Mental Health Workers/Certified Nursing Assistants</p> <p>Staffing in all programs is compliant with the Connecticut Public Health Code</p> |
| Clinical Care/ Current Priority Activities: | <p>Assessment: Multidisciplinary assessments available across the service line including MD, Psychology, RN, OT, Social Work, Substance Abuse and Case Management.</p> <p>Treatment/Intervention: Group, individual, family therapy, medication management, psychological testing, crisis intervention</p> <p>Levels of Care: Emergency and crisis services, inpatient psychiatry (voluntary and involuntary), substance abuse detoxification, partial hospitalization, intensive outpatient and outpatient</p> |

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Medical Director/Date