

**Provider Bulletin # 17-11**  
**The Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual  
disAbility Services (DBHIDS)**  
**Community Behavioral Health(CBH)**

**Daily Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Open Bed Registry**  
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This Bulletin will supersede Provider Bulletin #16-06 "Daily Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Open Bed Registry," which was issued on November 3, 2016.

CBH developed a web-based bed registry to collect, aggregate, and display data on the availability of acute inpatient psychiatric bed and residential substance use beds. The objective was to provide staff in crisis response centers and other emergency departments with potential bed availability and the facilities they should contact first; this provision would not eliminate the need to call the facility to obtain updated information and discuss the specific case.

In order for the Bed Registry to be useful, all inpatient psychiatric hospitals and residential substance use facilities need to fully participate. Unfortunately, provider participation was sporadic and inconsistent due to a variety of reasons, including minimal staff resources.

CBH will be assuming responsibility for the daily completion of the bed registry. We are asking for the cooperation and support of all in-network psychiatric inpatient hospitals and residential substance use facilities, including providing timely and accurate information, when contacted by CBH staff to obtain daily updates on bed availability.

Questions regarding this Notification can be directed to your assigned CBH provider representative.