

Overnight admissions to the mental health and addiction service organisation's inpatient unit(s) for which a community service contact was recorded in the seven days immediately preceding that submission

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Outcome

Improved management of demand for acute care

Measure

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Type

Contributory measure

Relationship(s) to other frameworks

This measure is included in the Key Performance Indicator Framework for New Zealand Mental Health and Addiction Services Refer here for full

definitions:<http://www.mhakpi.health.nz/Portals/0/Documents/Indicators%20Definitions/Adult-Indicators-Definitions-%2020150529.pdf?ver=2015-06-23-112159-533>

Rationale

To monitor the continuity of care via the extent to which DHB community mental health services are involved with the service users prior to admission to an inpatient unit to :

- Support and alleviate distress during a period of great turmoil
- Relieve carer burden
- Avert hospital admission where possible
- Ensure that admission is the most appropriate patient option
- Commence treatment of the patient as soon as possible where admission may not be averted.

The majority of service users admitted to DHB mental health inpatient units are known to community mental health services and it is reasonable to expect that community teams should be involved in pre-admission care.

Eligible population

Adult inpatient admissions in the period being reported

Measure status

Active

Numerator

Number of in-scope admissions in the denominator with service user participation contact recorded only by the admitting District Health Board (DHB) in the seven days pre-admission

Denominator

Total number of in-scope inpatient admissions in the period being reported

National target

Local target

Milestones to be decided by Alliance

Data Sources

PRIMHD (Programme for the Integration of Mental Health Data) national collection

Data extracted from data sources

Available through DHB

Data availability

Available through DHB and the Ministry of Health's Key Performance Indicator team.

Measure calculation process

Service user participation in contact is required. Contact must occur in the seven days prior to admission but not on the day of admission. Participation can be defined using the PRIMHD code set as being activity setting code that is not:

- WR (Written correspondence)
- SM (SMS text messaging)
- OM (Online media)

And activity type code that is not one of:

- T08 (Mental health care co-ordination contacts)
- T32 (Mental health contact with family/whānau)
- T35 Did not attend
- T37 On leave

