

Pasco County Behavioral Health Receiving System Plan

In accordance with

Florida Statute 394, Florida Mental Health Act
Florida Statute 397, Hal S. Marchman Alcohol and
Other Drug Services Act

2020-2023

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I. Background/ Purpose:

In accordance with the changes promulgated by Senate Bill 12 to Florida Statute 394 (Florida Mental Health Act, commonly referred to as the “Baker Act”), and Florida Statute 397 (commonly referred to as the Marchman Act), Pasco County in collaboration with Central Florida Behavioral Health Network (the Managing Entity) have completed this Behavioral Health Receiving System(BHRS) Plan. Implementation of this plan assures the coordinated provision of emergency services for people in need of help for behavioral health disorders and supports a comprehensive behavioral system of care.

This BHRS Plan describes how the community shall ensure the provision of the “No Wrong Door Model” defined in FS 394.4573. This description includes the organization of the BHRS and how it responds to individual needs and integrates services among various providers.

The Behavioral Health Receiving System may be organized in any manner which functions as a no-wrong-door model. Such models include, but are not limited to:

A **central receiving system** is identified as a system that consists of a designated central receiving facility that serves as a single entry point for persons with mental health or substance use disorders, or co-occurring disorders. The central receiving facility shall be capable of assessment, evaluation, and triage or treatment or stabilization of persons with mental health or substance use disorders, or co-occurring disorders.

A **coordinated receiving system** as a system that consists of multiple entry points that are linked by shared data systems, formal referral agreements, and cooperative arrangements for care coordination and case management. Each entry point shall be a designated receiving facility and shall, within existing resources, provide or arrange for necessary services following an initial assessment and evaluation.

A **tiered receiving system** consists of multiple entry points, some of which offer only specialized or limited services. Each service provider shall be classified according to its capabilities as either a designated receiving facility or another type of service provider, such as a triage center, a licensed detoxification facility, or an access center. All participating service providers shall, within existing resources, be linked by methods to share data, formal referral agreements, and cooperative arrangements for care coordination and case management.

OR

The BHRS may be organized in **any manner that functions as a No-Wrong-Door Model that responds to individual needs and integrates the services of various providers.**

The County and the Managing Entity shall review and update, as necessary, the Behavioral Health Receiving System at least once every 3 years. An accurate inventory of the participating service providers shall be maintained and made available at all times to all first responders in the service area.

II. Pasco County's Behavioral Health Receiving System (BHRS):

Pasco County's Behavioral Health Receiving System is best described as a tiered receiving system.

The following community partners who, by their participation in the Pasco County Acute Care Committee, assisted in developing this plan, and whose input is crucial to the success of the plan, include the following organizations:

- Agency for Community Treatment Services
- American Medical Response (AMR)
- BayCare Behavioral Health, Inc. – Integrated Stabilization Unit**
- Medical Center of Trinity, West Pasco Campus (HCA)*
- Morton Plant NorthBay Hospital Recovery Center (Baycare Behavioral Health, Inc.)*
- North Tampa Behavioral Health Center (Acadia)*
- Central Florida Behavioral Health Network
- Dade City Police Department
- Department of Children and Families, Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Suncoast Region
- Department of Veterans Affairs
- Florida Hospital Dade City
- Florida Hospital Wesley Chapel
- Florida Hospital Zephyrhills
- Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services
- NAMI Pasco
- New Port Richey Police Department
- Pasco County Government
- Pasco County Schools
- Pasco County Sheriff's Office
- Port Richey Police Department
- Public Defender's Office
- Regional Medical Center at Bayonet Point
- Windmoor Health Care
- Zephyrhills Police Department

**Publicly funded designated receiving facility *designated receiving facility.

III. Mobile Crisis Response Teams:

Mobile Crisis Response Teams (MRTs) improve behavioral health services by providing on-demand crisis intervention services in any setting in which a behavioral health crisis is occurring, including homes, schools, and emergency departments. MRTs are available 24/7 to provide on-site crisis intervention within 60 minutes, ensure timely access to supports and services, and resolve crises. Services include evaluation and assessment, development of safety or crisis plans, providing or facilitating stabilization services, supportive crisis counseling, education, development of coping skills, and linkage to appropriate resources. A primary goal of MRTs is to prevent unnecessary psychiatric hospitalizations. MRTs can also serve as a mechanism of jail diversion in reducing arrest of criminal offenders who have a mental health disorder, are experiencing serious emotional distress, and/or threatening self-harm.

MRT intervention during a developing mental health crisis can reduce over-reliance on law enforcement responses to less-urgent, non-life-threatening emergencies. MRTs are comprised of clinicians who have the formal training and know-how to effectively resolve mental health crises and potentially reduce use of the Baker or Marchman Act and law enforcement transport when an individual is experiencing a psychiatric crisis.

III. Inventory of Participating Service Providers

Voluntary Assessment and Evaluation Facilities			
Facility	Capabilities/Limitations	Does the facility have agreements to accept BHRS Patients?	Substance Use Disorders/Mental Health Disorders/Co-Occurring?
Medical Center of Trinity, West Pasco Campus located at 5637 Marine Pkwy, New Port Richey, FL 34652.	Licensed Capacity for Adult Baker Act: 62 beds Sub categories: 40 Adult beds 26 Geriatric beds Limitations: Not licensed for Marchman Act	Yes	Yes
Morton Plant North Bay Hospital Recovery Center located at 21808 State Road 54 Lutz, FL 33549	Licensed Capabilities: 47 Adult Baker Act beds and 25 Child Baker Act Beds Limitations: Lack of Marchman Act capabilities.	Yes	Yes
North Tampa Behavioral Health located at 29910 State Road 56 Wesley Chapel, FL 33543	Licensed Capabilities: 70 Adult baker Act beds 5 Adult Marchman Act beds for Adults 48 Licensed Voluntary beds for CORE. Sub categories: 26 Substance Abuse Detox beds 24 Geriatric beds 26 Mental Health beds Limitations: Adult (18 and up) facility, does not treat children	Yes	Yes

BayCare ISU located at 8002 King Helie Boulevard New Port Richey, FL 34653	Capabilities: Currently a 30 bed adult unit dual licensed facility. Limitations: Adult (18 and up) unit, does not treat children.	Yes	Yes
Agency for Community Treatment Services (ACTS) 3575 Old Keystone Rd Tarpon Springs, FL 34688	10 Adults	N/A	Yes
Involuntary Assessment and Evaluation Facilities			
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Morton Plant North Bay Hospital Recovery Center located at 21808 State Road 54 Lutz, FL 33549	Licensed Capabilities: 47 Adult Baker Act beds and 25 Child Baker Act Beds Limitations: Lack of Marchman Act capabilities.	Yes	Yes
North Tampa Behavioral Health located at 29910 State Road 56	Licensed Capabilities: 70 Adult baker Act beds	Yes	Yes

Wesley Chapel, FL 33543	5 Adult Marchman Act beds for Adults 48 Licensed Voluntary beds for CORE. Sub categories: 26 Substance Abuse Detox beds 24 Geriatric beds 26 Mental Health beds Limitations: Adult (18 and up) facility, does not treat children		
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Triage Centers for Mental Health			
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Triage Centers for Substance Use Disorders			
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Agency for Community Treatment Services (ACTS) 3575 Old Keystone Rd Tarpon Springs, FL 34688	<p>Capabilities: 10 Adults</p> <p>Triage: screenings and referral</p>	N/A	Yes

Involuntary Treatment for Mental Health Disorders

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IV. Behavioral Health Receiving System (BHRS) Agreements

Informal agreements are in place with each designated receiving facility, local law enforcement agencies, and local hospital emergency departments. Utilization of multiagency signed releases of information allows for shared data and care coordination.

Memorandums of Understanding are not currently in place within the Behavioral Health Receiving System for Pasco County.

Central Florida Behavioral Health Network may choose to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Medical Center of Trinity, West Pasco Campus, Morton Plant North Bay Hospital Recovery Center, North Tampa Behavioral Health and BayCare ISU in order to coordinate and provide services to consumers of the Behavioral Health Receiving System.