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## Department of Psychiatry Rules & Regulations

### PURPOSE

The purpose of this Department is to promote and ensure quality psychiatric care of the patients at Providence Alaska Medical Center.

### PROCTORING

The need for an assistant or proctor for physicians will be determined by the Department Chair.

### OFFICERS

#### CHAIR

See [PAMC Medical Staff Bylaws, Section 4.B Department Chairs](#), for details.

### EMERGENCY ROOM, HOSPITAL, and MENTAL HEALTH UNIT COVERAGE

In order to provide better and effective psychiatric care to the patients of Providence Hospital, the Department of Psychiatry has a defined coverage plan and schedule, based on services with contracted physicians and APPs. The schedule for the physician and APP coverage of the Mental Health Units and Consult Liaison services is published monthly. This roster will meet current EMTALA guidelines and hospital policies and procedures.

## Psychiatric Emergency Department

The psychiatric emergency department is staffed by master's level clinicians who perform risk and safety assessments. Telepsychiatry services are available to perform assessments and provide recommendations, as requested by psychiatric emergency department clinicians and emergency department physicians.

## Mental Health Units (Adult and Discovery Units)

The Mental Health Units are covered by assigned physicians and nurse practitioners. The physician or their delegate providing daytime clinical services provides 24-hour on-call support to the unit, including the management of all admitted patients and referrals for unit admission.

## Adult Medical Surgical Hospital

Psychiatric consultation services are available for adult patients admitted to the medical surgical units at PAMC, at the request of the attending service. The Adult Psychiatry Consultation Liaison Service provides coverage for these consultation services. In house coverage is provided during business hours, with phone support after hours and on weekends by the on-call provider. Additional information may be found in PAMC guideline "Adult Psychiatry Consultation Liaison Service" (PolicyStat ID 9943945).

## Pediatric Medical Surgical Hospital

Psychiatric consultation services are available for pediatric patients admitted to the Pediatric Unit and PICU at PAMC, at the request of the attending service. The Pediatric Psychiatry Consultation Liaison Service provides coverage for these consultation services. In house coverage is provided during business hours by the physician providing Discovery Unit coverage or their supervised APP delegate, with phone support after hours and on weekends by the on-call provider. Additional information may be found in PAMC guideline "Pediatric Psychiatry Consultation Liaison Service" (PolicyStat ID 14707721).

End of Rules & Regulations

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## Standards

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