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Document Scope: (applies to Policy & Procedure only)

- The requirements herein apply only to the GCBH BH-ASO Central Office and its functions.
 - The requirements herein apply, verbatim, to GCBH BH-ASO and its network providers².
 - The requirements herein apply both to GCBH BH-ASO and its network providers². Additionally, network providers must have internal documents outlining their processes for implementing the requirements, insofar as they relate to actions for which network providers are responsible.
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PURPOSE: To clarify GCBH BH-ASO processes associated with a request for Single Bed Certification provisions established by WAC 182-300-0100.

DEFINITIONS

Single Bed Certification (SBC): At the discretion of the department, an exception may be granted to allow timely and appropriate treatment in a facility that is not certified under WAC 246-341-1134 to an individual on a seventy-two-hour detention, a five-day detention pending a revocation proceeding, or a fourteen-day commitment. An exception may also be granted for renewable periods of thirty days to allow a community facility to provide treatment to an individual on a ninety or one hundred eighty-day inpatient involuntary commitment order or to an individual who has been revoked from a less restrictive alternative order or conditional release. For involuntarily detained or committed children, the exception may be granted to allow timely and appropriate treatment in a facility not certified under WAC 246-341-1134 until the child's discharge from that setting to the community, or until they transfer to a bed in a Children's Long-term Inpatient Program (CLIP).

POLICY


- A. In compliance with WAC 182-300-0100 and other Instructions provided by the State, the use of the SBC process is reserved for situations involving children or adults who have met the legal requirements for detention or commitment for involuntary treatment. For such individuals, when a certified bed is not otherwise available, a Single Bed Certification may be sought for:
- a. An adult individual who needs to be detained on an initial detention, a 5-day detention pending a revocation proceeding, or committed for 14 days for involuntary care;
 - b. An adult individual with acute or chronic medical issues requires a level of inpatient medical services, while detained or committed, beyond those available in an inpatient psychiatric treatment unit;
 - c. An adult individual on a 90 or 180-day commitment order is expected to be ready for discharge from inpatient services within the next thirty days and being at a community facility would facilitate continuity of care, consistent with the individual's treatment needs; or

d. For an involuntarily detained or committed child, for which the exception may be granted to allow treatment under the Single Bed Certification until the child's discharge from that setting to the community, or until the child is transferred to a bed in a children's long-term inpatient program (CLIP).

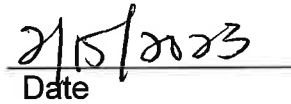
B. While there is a requirement that a written request for Single Bed Certification be submitted to DBHR's designee, Eastern State Hospital (ESH), prior to initiation of a detention order, ESH has indicated that, when it is not staffed to process such a request immediately, it will approve them retroactively, provided the request meets the conditions defined above.

PROCEDURE

1. Requests for Single Bed Certification received during regular business hours are reviewed and submitted within 4 hours to the individual authorized by ESH to receive them.

APPROVAL


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Date