

COMMUNITY



Fact Sheet: Community Behavioral Health Center

Background

Community Medical Centers expanded its adult psychiatric services in December 2002 with the purchase of Cedar Vista Hospital, the largest psychiatric facility in the Fresno area. The 61-bed hospital, located near Herndon and Cedar avenues at 7171 N. Cedar, was renamed Community Behavioral Health Center. With this expansion, Community closed its 32-bed psychiatric wing at Community Regional Medical Center in downtown Fresno in order to expand capacity for obstetric care and other services. To better service the Valley's mental health needs, in February 2019 the facility expanded by adding 12 beds bringing the total bed count to 73.

Operations

- Four separate units offer appropriate levels of care to the functional levels of patients being treated at the Behavioral Health Center.
- Patients may be assessed at any of Community's other acute-care hospitals.
- Patients may be transferred to the Behavioral Health Center and provided psychiatric care when medically stable.
- The Behavioral Health Center cannot accept patients who are dependent, non-ambulatory or who are in need of acute medical attention.
- Patients who are non-ambulatory but able to transfer themselves can be accepted.
- Patients can participate in organized recreational activities, which are supervised by staff and conducted in the common areas: swimming pool, gymnasium and courtyards.

The Behavioral Health Center is an acute psychiatric hospital, which means it is a locked facility. It consists of four separately locked units and common recreation/activity areas. When patients are in the common areas, they have direct hospital staff supervision. The hospital also admits voluntary patients.

Accreditation

Every three years, the Joint Commission inspects participating hospitals to gauge quality of care. Community Behavioral Health Center received full re-accreditation in 2017.

Patient Services

- Voluntary and involuntary psychiatric assessments
- Adult care
- Recreation therapy
- Group and individual therapy
- Medication management
- Milieu management and other treatment modalities

Contact Numbers

Administration	(559) 449-4404
Admitting	(559) 449-4434
Director	(559) 449-4415
Ancillary Manager	(559) 449-4498
Nursing Manager	(559) 449-4611

Figures from fiscal year 2018

Licensed beds	73
Average daily admissions	9
Average length of stay	5.8 days
Average daily patient census	52

Employees	155
Clinical	139
Non-clinical	16

Physicians	17
Physicians on-site	4
Physician with privileges	13

