

HSC Regulation 110M. Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF) Bed Need Methodology

DEFINITION: "A psychiatric residential treatment facility means any non-hospital establishment with permanent facilities which provides a 24 hour program of care by qualified therapists to include, but not be limited to, duly licensed mental health professionals, psychiatrists, psychologists, psychotherapists, and licensed certified social workers, for emotionally disturbed children and adolescents who are not in an acute phase of illness requiring the services of a psychiatric hospital, and are in need of restorative treatment services. An establishment furnishing primarily domiciliary care is not within the definition." (Act 609 of 1985)

I. Population Based Methodology

- A. Projection Time Frame. Each July 1st bed need will be projected five years from the current year, i.e., July 1, 2003 projections will be made for the year 2008.
- B. Service Area is the State of Arkansas
- C. Bed Need Formula.
 - 1. .385 beds per 1000 persons age 6-17
.300 beds per 1000 persons age 18-21
 - 2. Before additional beds may be approved existing PRTFs must have averaged 80% occupancy for the previous calendar year.
- D. Review Priorities. Applicants will be approved in the following ranked order:
 - 1. Existing PRTFs with an average annual occupancy of 90% or greater.
 - 2. Existing PRTFs wishing to expand and replace an older facility.
 - 3. Applicants for new PRTFs in sections of the State that are more than one and a half hours travel time from existing PRTFs.

4. Applicants for new PRTFs.

I. Utilization Based Methodology.

Beginning May 1, 2006, there will be a moratorium on the utilization based methodology. Applications for additional beds for existing PRTFs will not be accepted.