

**LARUE D. CARTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
**Facility Fact Sheet**  
**SFY 2013**

Larue D. Carter Memorial Hospital has served inpatients with persistent and severe mental illness from all across Indiana since 1948. In 1996, the hospital moved to its current location at 2601 Cold Spring Road, formerly a VA Medical Center facility. The hospital has a three-fold mission of providing specialized treatment, education and research. The hospital serves as a training site for psychiatric residents and medical students, psychology post-docs and interns, nursing students, social work students, rehabilitation therapy students, chaplains planning a career in healthcare, and EMT's. In terms of research, the hospital conducts pharmacological research with the hope of having new medications developed which will be even more effective, with fewer negative side effects, in the treatment of severe and chronic mental illnesses.

The hospital is accredited by The Joint Commission (TJC) and certified by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). In order to obtain TJC accreditation, the hospital must demonstrate high quality of care as measured against a large number of quality standards in the course of a triennial on-site survey and annual self-reports. CMS certification is also based on attaining a certain level of quality of care which allows the hospital to receive reimbursement through the Medicaid and Medicare programs.

Treatment throughout the hospital is individualized based on interdisciplinary assessments and may include stabilization of symptoms through psychopharmacology, management of accompanying medical problems and/or substance abuse issues, individual and group therapy, patient and family education, rehabilitation and recreation therapy, academic and skills training, and some basic vocational training and supported employment.

The hospital is composed of two divisions: One provides care only to adults with mental illness, and the other division provides care for children and adolescents who are seriously emotionally disturbed, for a total capacity of 159 beds. These divisions are as follows:

- **Journey to Recovery Division:** In this 94 bed division of four units, several specialty populations are served. The Clinical Research Unit, with the capability of housing and treating up to 21 patients voluntarily participating in research protocols. One unit is designated for the treatment of individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing and those who do not speak English as their primary language. Interpreters are made available so that patients can actively participate in the clinical services provided. The two additional units are general psychiatric units designed for the treatment of psychiatric patients with a wide variety of disorders.
- **Pathway to Healing Division:** This 54 bed division consists of four treatment units. One unit is a 12-bed Transition Unit that prepares patients for community living. The hospital's 42-bed Youth Service devoted to serving patients ages 7 to 18 who suffer

from severe emotional disorders. The Youth Service consists of 3 separate and distinct units: the Children's Program, the Adolescent Girls Program and the Adolescent Boys Program. Academic services are provided in collaboration with Indianapolis Public Schools and are an integral component of treatment within the Youth Service.

**State Fiscal Year 2013**

Admissions:	<b>95</b>
Discharges:	<b>102</b>
Average Daily Census:	<b>130</b>
Occupancy Percentage	<b>95% (based on a functional capacity of 136)</b>

**Staffing as of SFY 2013**

Positions on the Staffing Table	<b>361</b>
Filled state employee positions	<b>310</b>
Vacant state positions	<b>51</b>
Agency personnel-Nursing	<b>78 FTE's</b>
Contract personnel	<b>21* (*estimate)</b>

**Executive Team**

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