

Indiana Veterans' Home

Agency Overview

FY11-13 Budget Request

Agency Programs & Functions:

The mission of the Indiana Veterans' Home (IVH) is to enhance the lives of veterans and their eligible dependents through excellent provision of compassionate healthcare.

The Indiana Veterans' Home is part of the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs (IDVA).

Since 1896, the Indiana Veterans' Home in West Lafayette, Indiana, has provided residential care, nursing care, medical care, social services and activities services to its members. The campus includes three buildings that provide skilled care with 337 licensed skilled nursing beds and a domiciliary building that provides 80 beds. Amenities include a snack bar, beauty salon, post office, library, computer lab, museum and chapel. The grounds include a cemetery for residents that have passed away.

Accomplishments & Challenges over the Last Two Years:

The Indiana Veterans' Home successfully restructured the Food Service, Laundry, and Social Service Departments. IVH was able to drive costs down and increase social service expertise with these reorganizations.

The Indiana Veterans' Home has increased the number of Medicaid Residents over the past two years. Currently, there are 127 Medicaid residents at IVH. IVH has made a concerted effort to bill Medicaid, Medicare, and private insurers for eligible expenses as well as utilizing dedicated funding to support costs.

Objectives for the Next Biennium:

The Indiana Veterans' Home's objective is to increase the census by 3-6% each of the next 10 years.

The Indiana Veterans' Home will be developing a new behavior treatment program to meet behavior services needs for veterans of the Vietnam War, Gulf War era and later.

Key Performance Indicators:

The following are the key performance indicators for the Indiana Veterans' Home.

Key Performance Indicators

Number of Admission Applicants

Percentage of domiciliary beds filled

Percentage of long-term nursing care beds filled

Percentage of residents' bills collected

The campus includes three buildings that provide skilled care with 337 licensed skilled nursing beds and a domiciliary building that provides 80 beds. Current occupancy capacity is at 46.3% for domiciliary and 47.9% for licensed skilled nursing.

Admissions during the period of January 1, 2010 and August 25, 2010:

- Admission applications received were 102, of which 52 were admitted.
- Resident deaths of 52

IVH generated referrals and applications by:

1. Faxing bed availability to local hospitals;
2. Participating in marketing events such as senior fairs or veteran events including American Legion conference, VFW events and independent information fairs;
3. Hospital referrals;
4. Cold calls from families; and
5. Veteran Service Officer referrals.

Programs to be Reduced, Eliminated and/or Replaced:

n/a

Reallocation of Funds:

n/a

Thank you for your favorable consideration of the IVH budget request.