

A proposal for the care of the Chronically Severely Mentally Ill

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Context: The Smoldering crisis of the CSMI population

10 million; 600,000 beds -> 35,000 beds

3000 beds -> 700 beds

Homeless, Emergency waiting rooms, Prisons, Premature deaths

True story: Sun Bridge nursing home -200 skilled beds with 25 bed locked unit

Unit manager, training dedicated nursing staff, regular psychiatric care, psychotherapy, group therapy and excellent regular medical care

Community psychosocial treatment

Declines/decompensation care for in that facility

5 years of no hospitalizations (\$70,000 per hospitalization)

Moral: Enhance care and greater outcomes

- 1) On site psychiatric and medical care
- 2) Structured safe clean, 3 meals
- 3) Dynamic of a therapeutic flow of levels of care

Model:

- 1) Assisted living level of care-rehabilitation concept
- 2) On site medical/psychiatric care
- 3) At least 30 residents
- 4) Appropriate rates for providers and facility owners

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