

Mental Health in Prisons

Mental Health Overview

- Total Prison Population over past year 36,500 to 37,500
- Approximately 4000 have a Mental Illness Diagnosis
 - M2 - Services Provided by Psychological Staff and Clinical Social Workers
 - M3 – Services Provided by Psychological Staff, Clinical Social Workers and Psychiatrist for medication management
 - M4 – Residential Management located at Central Prison, North Carolina Correctional Institution for Women and Maury Correctional Institution
 - M5 Inpatient located at Central Prison and North Carolina Correctional Institution for Women

Intake Process Updates

- Intake Screening Tool revised based upon recommendations of National Consultant
- HERO – Health Electronic Records for Offenders – standardizes intake process through the electronic health records
- In-Range Pay Raises – across board in an effort to recognize good work and to improve recruitment and retention efforts for the last 12 months.

Operational/Treatment Initiatives

- Crisis Intervention Training for Prisons staff
- Multi-disciplinary Teams
- Treatment Mall - Inpatient services providing out of cell structured treatment for 20 hours per week
- Control Status patients receive 10 hours out of cell structured activity
- Restrictive Housing – treatment vs. isolation, moving forward with changes in terminology and changes in missions for facilities