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SERIOUSLY MENTALLY ILL – SHELTERED HOUSING (SMI-SH)		

PURPOSE: To provide a structured, secure, supportive environment and ambulatory mental health services for low custody inmates with serious mental illness. Serious mental illness is defined as any diagnosed mental disorder (excluding substance use disorders) currently associated with serious impairment in psychological, cognitive, or behavioral functioning that substantially interferes with the person’s ability to meet the ordinary demands of living and requires an individualized treatment plan by a qualified mental health professional(s).

PROCEDURE:

- I. Custody classification of inmates assigned to SMI Sheltered Housing (SMI-SH) will be Mental Health (MH)
- II. SMI-SH is TDCJ designated housing.
- III. Inmates residing in SMI-SH will be monitored on the inpatient mental health caseload.
- IV. Eligibility for assignment to SMI-SH will include:
 - A. Inmate must be male.
 - B. Have a serious, chronic mental illness.
 - C. Have G1, G2 or G3 custody level. Other custody levels may be considered on a case by case basis.
 - D. History of multiple inpatient free world and/or TDCJ psychiatric admissions or otherwise too psychiatrically fragile for General Population.
 - E. Inmate is medically stable and all of the inmate’s medical needs can be met through available services at JM.
 - F. Be able to independently perform all activities of daily living (e.g. ADLs – eating, grooming, hygiene, toileting, and walking) without staff assistance and not require any skilled nursing care.
 - G. Not require wheelchair for mobility.
 - H. Must meet security requirements and be approved for reassignment by the Classification and Record Office (CRO).
 - I. Inmates with history of self-injurious behavior, assaultive behavior or water intoxication shall be admitted to SMI-SH only upon review and approval of the Clinical Program Director or designee.
 - J. IQ greater than 70. IQ less than 70 may be considered on a case by case basis.
- V. Referral Process:
 - A. Request for placement in SMI-SH is submitted for approval to the Montford SMI-SH Committee by completion of the EHR “MH Referral to Special Programs.”
 - B. Admission into the SMI-SH will be dependent on space availability and coordination between the Montford SMI-SH Committee, the referring Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP), and the Clinical Program Director or designee. All SMI-SH referrals will be emailed to MHSL.

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