

Legislative Long-Term Care Committee Meeting
May 06, 2010

APPENDIX C

Chairman Kreidt and members of the Legislative Long-Term Care Committee, my name is Mark Johnson, Administrator of the North Dakota Veterans Home.

Enclosed in your packet you will find a copy of our present occupancy along with our current waiting list. Our present occupancy in the nursing home is 38 residents, with a waiting list of over 30 individuals. Our basic care unit currently houses 65 residents, with 4 new admits coming in the next 10 days. We do not have anyone on an "official waiting list." We have many inquiries each week, but the majority are waiting for the new building to open. Most individuals that qualify for basic care do not want to move into double rooms or use communal bathrooms so they choose to wait until we get closer to the new facility.

Due to medical necessity, several of our double rooms have been converted to private rooms limiting the number of residents we can accept. Many of our residents suffer from some type of mental illness that makes it extremely difficult for them to live with another individual. Please refer to the mental health disorder diagnosis work sheet for skilled and basic care that I provided in your packet.

Since our new building has 142 private rooms and only 4 double rooms, we will be able to better handle the needs of our residents and placement will not be such a huge issue, which will allow us to admit to full capacity. Since we are at full capacity on skilled currently and have a lengthy waiting list, I feel we will fill our additional 14 beds shortly after opening. Due to the private rooms and new building I feel we will be able to fill to capacity within 6 to 9 months of opening.

The Veterans Home in Fergus Falls is at full capacity with 80 residents and a waiting list of over 100 individuals.

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At present construction on our new building is about 6 months behind schedule. This week we were notified that our building is scheduled to open around April 15, 2011.

Currently the central core of the building is scheduled for completion on September 23, 2010; the skilled nursing home is scheduled for completion on November 10, 2010; Unit B on the basic care side is scheduled for completion on February 11, 2011; Unit C is scheduled for completion on March 22, 2011.

In closing, Chairman Kreidt, I would like to invite you and the members of the Long Term Care Committee to come tour our new building. At this time I will be glad to take any questions.

DIAGNOSIS CATEGORY	# CARRYING DIAGNOSIS	PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION
DEPRESSION	30	45%
HISTORY OF ALCOHOL ABUSE OR DEPENDENCE	27	41%
ANXIETY	18	27%
SCHIZOPHRENIA	10	15%
BIPOLAR DISORDER	9	14%
PERSONALITY DISORDER	8	12%
SCHIZOAFFECTIVE DISORDER	5	8%
PSYCHOSIS	3	5%
DEMENTIA	3	5%
HISTORY OF SUICIDAL ATTEMPTS	2	3%
SOCIAL PHOBIA	2	3%
MOOD DISORDER	2	3%
DYSTHYMIA	2	3%
ADJUSTMENT DISORDER WITH MOOD & ANXIETY COMPONENTS	1	
ADJUSTMENT DISORDER WITH MIXED DISTURBANCE OF EMOTIONS & CONDUCT	1	
PTSD	1	
ORGANIC BRAIN SYNDROME	1	
COGNITIVE DISORDER	1	
IMPULSE CONTROL DISORDER	1	
PSYCHOTIC DISORDER WITH DELUSIONS & HALLUCINATIONS	1	
POLYSUBSTANCE DEPENDENCE IN REMISSION	1	
TRANSVESTIC FETISHISM	1	

DIAGNOSIS CATEGORY	# CARRYING DIAGNOSIS	PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION
DEPRESSION	28	74%
HISTORY OF ALCOHOL ABUSE OR DEPENDENCE	8	21%
ANXIETY	12	32%
SCHIZOPHRENIA	4	11%
BIPOLAR DISORDER	4	11%
PSYCHOSIS	10	26%
DEMENTIA	18	47%
MOOD DISORDER	4	11%
ADJUSTMENT DISORDERS	3	8%
PTSD	2	5%
DELUSIONS	3	8%
ORGANIC BRAIN SYNDROME	1	
HISTORY OF CANNABIS ABUSE	1	

North Dakota Veterans Home Waiting List Info

5 Bismarck/Mandan
4 Fargo
5 Lisbon
5 Minot
5 Dickinson
1 Valley City
1 Grand Forks
1 Cavalier
1 Maddock
2 Lidgerwood
1 Beulah
1 Dickey
1 Velva
1 Pembina
1 Leonard
1 Northwood
1 McHenry
1 Ellendale

There are approximately 25-30 applicants on the skilled facility waiting list; not all applicants have turned in the required information. In regards to Basic Care there are ten individual interested in moving into the new building. At this time the Admissions team has hesitated creating a waiting list for the basic care unit due to the changing needs of the applicants. We are also unsure as to what are census will be when the new building opens so it is difficult to promise admission into basic care. On average the Veterans Home receives at least three inquires a week on the new building.

NDVH SKILLED UNIT**05-03-10**

Below is a listing of states or counties which residents were admitted from to the NDVH Skilled unit (this reflects the current census of 38):

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>RESIDENTS</u>
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Ransom:	7
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Cass	6
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Sargent	5
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Richland	4
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Mercer	2
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Barnes	2
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Ward	2
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Grand Forks	2
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Stutsman	2
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Kidder	1
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Sioux	1
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LaMoure	1
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Adams	1
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<u>STATE</u>	<u>RESIDENTS</u>
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South Dakota	1
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Minnesota	1
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NDVH BASIC UNIT
05-03-10

Below is a listing of states or counties which residents were admitted from to the NDVH Basic unit (this reflects the current census of 65):

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>RESIDENTS</u>
Cass	20
Ransom	8
Burleigh	5
Morton	5
Traill	3
Sargent	2
Mercer	2
Ward	2
McHenry	2
LaMoure	2
McLean	2
Dickey	2
Stark	1
Sioux	1
Stutsman	1
Griggs	1
Walsh	1
Barnes	1
Richland	1
Eddy	1
Williams	1

<u>STATE</u>	<u>RESIDENTS</u>
Montana	1