



**Patuxent Institution  
Directive**

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| <b>Title:</b><br><b>Mental Health</b>  | <b>Directive Number:</b><br><b>PATX.120.0002</b>                  |
| <b>Related MD Statute/Regulations</b><br><b>COMAR 12.12</b>                                | <b>Supersedes:</b><br><b>PID #120-2</b>                           |
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**.01 Purpose.**

To specify the responsibility of treatment staff and contractual health care personnel in matters of medical decisions and treatment.

**.02 Scope.**

Applicable to Patuxent Institution Treatment Programs

**.03 Policy.**

It is the policy of Patuxent Institution to address mental health needs of Patuxent Institution Program inmates.

**.04 Definitions.**

A. In this directive, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

B. Terms Defined.

None.

**.05 Responsibility.**

A. All matters of psychiatric care for Patuxent inmates shall be supervised by the Associate Director for Psychiatry and shall be carried out by the Patuxent psychiatrist(s) on the remediation units.

B. Psychiatric care for Patuxent inmates who, for mental health reasons, are referred to the Correctional Mental Health Center-Jessup (CMHC-J) at Patuxent shall be the responsibility of contractual medical services, who must maintain professional contact with Patuxent psychiatric services on case management.

C. When a Patuxent inmate is sent to the CMHC-J for psychiatric care or to an outside facility for medical treatment, the contractual medical services shall notify the Associate Director for Psychiatry.

D. The Associate Director for Psychiatry shall be the liaison with the contractual medical services and Patuxent administration and staff and shall be informed of any medical grievance actions by Patuxent inmates.

E. Patuxent Institution follows the policies and procedures set forth in Department's Clinical Services Manual.

**.06 Attachments/Links.**

None.

**.07 History.**

A. Rescinds PID 120-1 dated November 1, 1997.

B. This Directive supersedes provisions of any other prior existing Agency communication with which it may conflict.

**.08 Distribution.**

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