

The BOP Medical and Mental Healthcare, CARE LEVELS I-IV

If you have a client with a **Mental Healthcare (MH) CARE LEVEL of III**, and a Medical CARE LEVEL of II, The 'MH CARE LEVEL III placement takes precedence'.

* It is required to identify your clients Medical CARE LEVEL

Medical CARE LEVEL I

Applies: Yes No

Include 'Why' in the defendants PSR

- Is the defendant under 70
- May require 2 medical or psychology visits per year
- Healthy with limited medical needs
- Diet-controlled diabetes
- Mild asthma
- Patients with (HIV) who are stable and do not require medications.
- Services required, such as crisis intervention:
 - o occur less than 3 months duration,
 - o occurring no more than every 2 years, and
 - o can be resolved without hospitalization.

Mental Healthcare (MH) CARE LEVEL I

Applies: Yes, No

- No: History of psychosis or limited (to zero) mental healthcare clinician contacts
- No history of hospitalization in the last 5 years
- Outpatient Contacts with prescribing clinician <6 mo.
- Symptoms controlled with no more than 2 psychotropic medications, excluding antipsychotics

Care Levels 3 and 4 designations are made by The Office of Medical Designations and Transportation (OMDT)

Medical Healthcare CARE LEVEL III

Applies: Yes, No

Does the defendant require:

- Outpatients who have complex, and require chronic* clinic contacts to prevent hospitalization, or
- They are not able to perform activities of daily living (unable to dress, eat, bathe), or
- They can be treated with out-patient mental healthcare.
- Do not require daily nursing supervision

* Chronic: A disease or condition that requires monitoring or treatment for greater than 12 months.

Are there medical or mental health conditions that may require:

- Periodic hospitalization.
- Inmates with cancer in remission less than a year,
- Advanced HIV disease,
 - Severe mental illness in remission on medication
 - Severe congestive heart failure, and
 - End-stage liver disease

Mental Healthcare (MH), CARE LEVEL III

Applies: Yes, No

- Psychiatric conditions do not require inpatient
- 2 or more psychiatric hospitalizations in the past 3 years
- Psychotic illness treated with 3+ anti-psychotic meds.
- Multiple Dx Tx with > 5 psychotropic meds
- Outpatient prescribing contacts more frequently than monthly (extending over 6 mo.)

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'Medical' and 'Mental' Healthcare CARE LEVEL IV - REQUIRES HOSPITALIZATION

Applies: Yes, No

- Severely impaired
- Requires daily nursing care.

Examples:

- Those with cancer in active treatment,
- Kidney dialysis, (Liver Dialysis??)
- Quadriplegia,
- Stroke or head injury patients,
- Major surgical patients,
- Acute psychiatric illness requiring inpatient treatment, and
- High-risk pregnancy.
- Medical or chronic mental health conditions resulting in:
 - Severe impairments to physical and cognitive functioning.
- Other: _____

Note: CARE LEVEL IV houses both violent and non-violent offenders

If CARE LEVELS I, III, and IV do not apply, your client is designated;

CARE LEVEL II: Medical

Applies: Yes, No

• Inmates are:

- Stable medically, who
 - Require at maximum, quarterly medical evaluations.
 - Can be managed in chronic care clinics, including for mental health issues.

• Examples:

- Medication controlled:
 - Diabetes,
 - Epilepsy
 - Emphysema or
 - Other like medical conditions

CARE LEVEL II: Mental Healthcare (MH)

Applies: Yes, No

- Psychiatric hospitalization within the last 5 years
- Outpatient Contacts with prescribing clinician 1-6mo.
- Symptoms controlled with more than 2 ***psychotropic medications***, excluding ***atypical antipsychotics***

Medications: Psychotropic

1. Anti-anxiety agents.
2. Antidepressants.
3. Antipsychotics.
4. Mood stabilizers.
5. Stimulants

Antipsychotics

1. Delusions (false, fixed beliefs) or
2. Hallucinations (hearing or seeing things that are not really there).
3. Schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, or
4. Very severe depression (also known as “psychotic depression”).

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