

# Inclusion Criteria

- A. Age appropriate for the program:
  - 1. Child: 3-12 years of age
  - 2. Adolescent: 13-17 years of age
  - 3. Adult: 18-59 years of age
  - 4. Geriatric: 60 years and up
  
- B. Non-MHMR
  - 1. Diagnosed (DSM-IV) or suspected mental illness (that can be expected to improve significantly with appropriate treatment) as established by direct examination by a psychiatrist within 72 hours before or on the day of admission.
  
- C. **MHMR** – Is an active MHMR client or contract eligible, by the following criteria:
  - 1. Established diagnosis (DSM-IV) of Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, or Major Depressive Disorder or,
  - 2. Current GAF below 50 and,
  - 3. Current resident of Galveston or Brazoria counties.
  
- D. Either alternative treatment (at a lower, less restrictive level of care) has been tried, has been unsuccessful, or has been determined unsafe.
  
- E. Significant impairment of daily functioning in at least two major areas of the following:
  - 1. School or vocational
  - 2. Social situations
  - 3. Family relationships
  
- F. At least one of the following:
  - a. Recent (within 72 hours) attempted suicide.
  - b. Suicidal/homicidal ideation requiring precautions and 24-hours/day monitoring.
  - c. Assaultive behavior as a result of an Axis I psychiatric disorder.
  - d. Self-mutilative behavior as a result of an Axis I psychiatric disorder.
  - e. Acute onset or exacerbation of hallucinations, delusions, or illusions the magnitude of which threaten the patient's safety and well-being.
  - f. Self harm due to non-compliance with psychiatric treatment regime.
  - g. Physical health treatment regime threatened due to psychiatric illness.
  - h. Acute onset of inability to care for self or attend to activities of daily living as a direct result of psychiatric illness.
  - i. Acute manic state needing admission for initiation/ titration of medication.
  - j. Evidence of symptoms and demonstrated behavior or verbalizations reflecting significant risk or potential danger to self, others, or property.
  - k. Current GAF below 50.