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Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Launches Website Providing Real-Time Bed Availability for Mental Health Services

(Hartford, CT) – The Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) today announced the launch of a new website which provides real-time information on bed availability for mental health services. The website gives users real-time information of availability for approximately 1,766 DMHAS-funded or operated beds including inpatient services and a range of residential treatment programs across the state. The website contains information regarding these services at 45 provider agencies. The information on the website will be updated by providers as beds become available.

“We are pleased to be able to provide this valuable resource which offers real-time information about the availability of beds for the people of Connecticut. We appreciate the collaboration with the 45 provider agencies involved in this innovative venture. This website further enhances our ongoing efforts to offer easy access to information about where beds are available for individuals seeking services and supports,” said DMHAS Commissioner Miriam Delphin-Rittmon. “Access to these resources is vital to help people in their recovery. I encourage anyone who needs help to reach out because support is available.”

The website is part of DMHAS’ continuing effort to make our services more accessible. DMHAS has been a national leader in this area beginning with the launch of our Addiction Services Bed Availability website in 2017. The Mental Health Bed Availability website was made possible through funding provided by a grant from the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD), a trade association representing state mental health authorities. DMHAS was one of 23 states that received these funds in 2019 to create or expand bed availability websites. DMHAS received \$150,000 from NASMHPD to develop this website.

The website allows users to easily access the information 24-hours-per-day on their phones, tablets, or desktop computers and **provides transparency regarding statewide resources**. For some programs, people seeking services do not directly contact agencies where beds are available. Instead, the mental health bed availability website links users to a contact person who manages access to those programs. While beds may be available, access is managed through the contact person based on level of care admission criteria and client need. The website can be accessed by visiting the DMHAS website (www.ct.gov/dmhas) or directly by going to <https://www.ctmentalhealthservices.com/> .

For individuals seeking addiction services treatment, the Addiction Services Bed Availability website can be accessed at the following link: <https://www.ctaddictionservices.com/> . Both of these websites provide Connecticut’s citizens with a useful tool for identifying inpatient and residential treatment for behavioral health disorders.

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