

Amendments to House Bill 517, Introduced Version
Amendments Requested by the Department of Public Health and Human Services
For the House Human Services Committee
February 20, 2015

1. Page 3, line 22

Insert:

" **Section 2.** Section 53-21-411, MCA, is amended to read:

"53-21-411. Location and function of Montana mental health nursing care center. (1) The institution located at Lewistown is the Montana mental health nursing care center. The primary function of the center is the care and treatment of persons with mental disorders or major neurocognitive disorders, as defined in the fifth edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders adopted by the American psychiatric association, who require nursing care. Priority must be given to patients referred from the Montana state hospital.

(2) Appropriate admissions to the Montana mental health nursing care center are persons who are unable to maintain themselves in their homes or communities due to a mental disorder, as defined in 53-21-102, or major neurocognitive disorder, as defined in the fifth edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders adopted by the American psychiatric association, but who do not require the intensity of treatment available at the Montana state hospital.

(3) The department of public health and human services may adopt rules concerning specific admission criteria, treatment, and discharge procedures consistent with 53-21-414 and subsections (1) and (2) of this section."

2. Page 3, line 22

Renumber subsequent sections

3. Page 5, line 26

After "skilled nursing facility,"

Insert: " the Montana mental health nursing care center "

4. Page 6, Line 16

Delete: Line 16, entire Section 4

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