

The chart above illustrates the average population of patients and total expenditures at the Montana State Hospital (MSH) by fiscal year (FY). The yellow line represents the population totals, while blue bars represent MSH expenditures. All data was provided by DPHHS.

The Montana State Hospital

MSH provides psychiatric evaluation, treatment, and rehabilitation services for adults with severe mental illness. The hospital was appropriated funding for 415 FTE in FY 2016 and 459 FTE in FY 2017. Of the three facilities operated under the Addictive and Mental Disorders Division MSH is the largest hospital in terms of employees and cost.

MSH Funding

Expenditures at MSH are almost entirely funded by general fund, although some state services are reimbursed by Medicare, Medicaid, Indian Health Insurance, and patient payments. Additional funds have been appropriated in the 2017 biennium for jail and 72 hour crisis diversion in an effort to stabilize MSH populations.