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Fuller Hospital Updates Nicotine Policy for Partial Hospitalization Residences

Fuller Hospital is always looking at ways to be more accessible to our patients. In reviewing our policies, we have been carefully examining our approach to nicotine dependence in our partial hospitalization program. Specifically, some patients choose to complete Partial day programs and as a part of this program have not been allowed to use tobacco products during their treatment.

While we recognize the long-term health impacts of nicotine, we are choosing to prioritize the more imminent impact of behavioral health issues leading to admission to this program and move forward with a hard reduction strategy. During treatment, we will continue to offer smoking cessation methods to make treatment for this a part of addressing their long-term goals. We expect this strategy will allow more patients to work through the treatment process and fully meet their goals in PHP Plus.

As a whole, our mission is always to develop programs that meet the needs of our patients. Fuller Hospital is excited to continue working in our community offering this important partial hospitalization service for those needing intensive mental health and substance abuse treatment. The Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP) Plus program is offered 7 days per week with housing to provide a wraparound support. This program offers intensive, highly structured, short-term care for mental health disorders such as trauma, depression or anxiety. PHP includes treatment options for individuals with substance abuse or dual diagnosis needs.

For additional information regarding Fuller Hospital's treatment programs and services, including how to make a referral and information for visitors, go to www.fullerhospital.com or call the program at [508-838-2337](tel:508-838-2337) to review your referral and coordinate an admission.