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Forensic Services, part of the Minnesota Department of Human Services, consists of statewide programs providing evaluation and treatment to individuals involved with the legal system. These programs serve people committed to the Commissioner of Human Services under Minnesota Statute Chapter 253B as:

- Mentally Ill and Dangerous (MI&D)
- Other commitment statuses as appropriate, or
- Having a related condition and pose a public safety risk

Also served are people with mental illness who the court has ordered for evaluation and treatment before the start of a criminal trial under Minnesota Rules of Criminal procedure, 20.01 and 20.02.

Minnesota Security Hospital (MSH) – St. Peter
- Emphasizes recovery, relapse prevention, psychosocial rehabilitation and risk management strategies
- Provides treatment and assessments of mentally ill and dangerous people
- Performs competency and criminal responsibility assessments
- Receives emergency transfers from other state-operated sites
- Provides specialized assessment and treatment services to persons committed as MI&D
- Performs inpatient Rule 20 evaluations

For information call 507-985-2121.

Transition Services – St. Peter
- Serves people committed as MI&D who have progressed through treatment at the MSH and have been approved for a reduction in custody from the Special Review Board, the Commissioner of Human Services or the Supreme Court Appeal Panel
- Operates outside of the secure treatment environment of the MSH
- Provides psychosocial rehabilitation, skill enhancement and collaborates with community resources for patients’ successful transition and community reintegration
- Provides ongoing crisis consultation and intervention to support clients in community settings

For information call 507-985-2444.

Forensic Nursing Home – St. Peter
- Provides services to people committed to the Commissioner as MI&D, Sexually Dangerous Person, Sexual Psychopathic Personality or to inmates on conditional medical release from the Minnesota Department of Corrections who are in need of nursing home level of care.

For information call 507-985-2617.

Competency Restoration Program – St. Peter
- Provides comprehensive treatment and evaluation of individuals who have been committed for competency restoration pursuant to Minnesota Rule of Criminal Procedure Rule 20.01 Subd. 7. The comprehensive services include, but are not limited to legal education (group and individual), psycho-social groups, psychiatric consultation, and rehabilitation programming in order to restore an individual’s capacity to meaningfully participate in their criminal proceedings.

For information call 507-985-2518.