

COMMISSION TO STUDY DIFFICULT-TO-PLACE PATIENTS

MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, November 5, 2015
Room 216, Cross State Office Building, Augusta

- 10:00 a.m. Welcome and introductions
Commission Chairs
- 10:05 a.m. Briefings on:
- The approval process for admission to the 3 geropsychiatric facilities in Maine, an explanation of the rate structure for these geropsychiatric units and a discussion of their operational capacity and turnover rates
Richard Erb, Maine Health Care Association
Michelle Bellhumeur, Gorham House (Gorham)
Larry Davis, Hawthorne House (Freeport)
Diane Sinclair, Mount St. Josephs (Waterville)
 - PNMI and residential/community living options for increasing capacity for special populations at the community living level
Richard Erb, Maine Health Care Association
 - The public and private psychiatric hospital populations and barriers to placement in specialized facilities for children/adults
Jeff Austin, Maine Hospital Association
 - The potential expansion of the role of the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman in order to increase efforts to facilitate the placement of patients in specialized facilities by addressing barriers to placement
Brenda Gallant, Long-Term Care Ombudsman
- 12:00 p.m. Break for lunch (1 hour)
- 1:00 p.m. Commission discussion on potential options for recommendations to increase the availability of residential care and long term care facilities for specialized patient populations that are difficult to place for care
- 2:15 p.m. Future meetings planning
- 2:30 p.m. Public comment opportunity
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn
