

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6656 Implementation Updates

Select Committee on Quality Improvements in the State Hospitals

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ESSB 6656 Implementation

Bill Section/Deliverable	Status/Anticipated Completion
Section 2—Transition Plan	Included in consultants’ work in Section 5
Sections 3 and 4—Select Committee	Ongoing
Section 5—Consultants	Recommendations presented on 11/22/16
Sections 6 and 7—Governor’s Behavioral Health Innovation Fund	Forensic and Civil Waitlist Reduction Plan presented to Select Committee - 09/12/2016
Section 8—DSHS Quarterly Reports	Ongoing reporting at each meeting
Section 9—Policy implementation	N/A
Sections 10, 13, 14, 16, 17 and 18—Technical Items	N/A
Section 11—Geropsychiatric Diversion	Complete
Section 12—Establish ARNP/PA Job Class	ARNP Pilots in Progress
Section 15—Discharge Plan Time Constraints	07/01/2018 (effective date of amendments)

Section 11: Geropsychiatric Diversion

Target: Identify opportunities for patients needing long-term care to achieve:

- 20 bed reduction by July 1, 2016
- 10 additional bed reduction by January 1, 2017

Outcomes: April 1, 2016 to October 31, 2016

- ALTSA assisted in the relocation of 67 individuals:
 - 58 discharged with ALTSA funded services in place
 - 9 did not receive ALTSA services, as needs were met by family or other fund sources
- ALTSA also diverted an additional 20 people from local psychiatric beds onto ALTSA services

Detailed progress report to the Legislature will be submitted as required by December 1, 2016.

Section 12: Expanding Use of Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners

- Collaborated with Union of Physicians (UPW) to Establish a Pilot Residency Program—to train ARNPs to become state hospital psychiatric practitioners
- Collaborated with UW Medical School and UW School of Nursing—to create framework to identify interested ARNPs and design rotation elements
- Clinical rotation of up to 10 ARNPs
- Hospitals are soliciting volunteers from hospital medical staff to provide clinical sponsorship

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