Emergency Housing (EH)
Veterans who are in need of immediate or short-term housing go to VA-contracted sites in the community.

Grant and Per Diem Transitional Housing (GPD)
Veterans who are not ready for permanent housing live in grant-awarded community sites.

Safe Haven
Veterans with substance use disorders who have been unsuccessful in traditional transitional housing settings live in a community-based supportive housing site.

Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO)
Legal assistance for Veterans with mental illness and/or substance abuse who have warrants or are serving a sentence in a local jail

Therapeutic Work Programs

Transitional Work Experience (TWE)
Veterans in recovery develop vocational skills while completing work assignments for approximately 6 months.

Supported Employment (SE)
Vocational rehabilitation specialists provide job skill education and job-seeking assistance for Veterans with severe mental illness.

Inpatient Psychiatric Care

Acute Inpatient Psychiatric Unit
Veterans experiencing acute psychiatric crises work towards stabilization in partnership with a multi-disciplinary team and receive social work services.
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Mental Health Services

This brochure contains information about Kansas City VA Medical Center inpatient, outpatient and residential mental health services. There are specific criteria for admission into most outpatient mental health programs including referral by a Kansas City VA mental health provider.

Recovery-Oriented Care

Veterans are encouraged to be an active partner in their treatment. KCVA is committed to providing strengths-based, recovery-oriented care and to maintain the belief that people with mental health issues can recover and live meaningful lives.

Evidence-Based Practices

Every KCVA Mental Health program uses evidence-based practices. Evidence-based practices are specific therapeutic interventions that research has shown to be effective. Once a Veteran’s mental health needs are assessed, their provider works with them to identify what specific evidence-based treatments.

Outpatient Mental Health Clinics

The starting point for getting most mental health services is the Outpatient Mental Health Clinic. Veterans can ask their Primary Care Health Clinic or call the number below for an appointment:

816-861-4700 ext. 52641

The Mental Health Clinic is located on the 1st Floor of the Main Hospital.

Mental Health Clinic (MHC)

The Mental Health Clinic offers individual therapy, group therapy, couples/family therapy, psychiatric services, social work services, peer support services and specialized services including treatment for Military Sexual Trauma.

PCT Clinic

PTSD Clinical Team

The PCT Clinic offers individual therapy, couples/family therapy, PTSD education groups for veterans and families, PTSD therapy groups, peer support services and psychiatric services.

Substance Use Disorder Treatment (SUD)

Room M9-300 During Business Hours: 8:00AM - 4:30PM Monday through Friday.

Substance Abuse Treatment Outpatient Program (STOP)

In STOP, Veterans can take part in evidence-based treatments including 12-step facilitation, cognitive approaches to recovery.

Substance Abuse Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (SARRTP)

SARRTP is a customized residential recovery treatment program that lasts approximately 21 days.

Programs for Veterans With Severe Mental Illness

Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Center (PRRC)

PRRC services include case management, social work services, nursing services, peer support services and psychiatric services.

Mental Health Intensive Intensive Case Management (MHICM)

Community-based services help Veterans with severe mental illness remain in the community. Services include social & living skills training, supportive counseling, and medication management and more.

Homeless Programs

Immediate Housing needs: “Homeless Program Orientation Group” Monday and Thursday at 8:30 am Mental Health Clinic

Permanent Housing Options:

“Beyond Homeless Group” Thursday at 9:00am Mental Health Clinic

For urgent housing these times Veterans may walk into the Mental Health Clinic.

Housing and Urban Development -Veterans Administration Supported Housing (HUD-VASH)

Veterans who are homeless & their immediate family receive Section 8 vouchers and KCVA case management services.