

Hospital Equity Report – CY 2024

Gateways programs primarily serve children, adolescents, transitional aged youth, and adults experiencing serious mental health and may have challenges with substance use disorders. After reviewing the Data De-identification Guidelines, we realized the population we serve is small and unique. As we review inequities and disparities among the community we serve, our organization realized that sharing the numbers and the time period may inadvertently re-identify the population we are trying to keep private. In our hospital equity report – we may need to mask or suppress the data in order to maintain the privacy of our clients. That does not stop Gateways from discussing how we are tackling inequities and disparities. We will list our top priorities or projects to make a positive impact on our patients. Gateways Hospital is one of only 31 freestanding psychiatric hospitals in California; serving a large population with limited resources for mental and behavioral health care. When you add in events such as involuntary holds and patient demographics such as race, ethnicity, sex and language, you can see why we are taking steps to preserve the privacy of a vulnerable population. Currently Gateways inpatient program is a 55 -bed facility serving ages 13 – 59. Fully accredited and licensed to provide 24 hour – 7 days a week care including client assessments, intensive treatment, and care coordination for a smooth transition back to the community. Care is provided by multidisciplinary teams providing psychiatric and psychological services for clients with one or multiple inequities and various disparities including mental health diagnosis. Many have had encounters with our criminal justice systems and the care they receive from Gateways has been instrumental in preventing recidivism. Gateways is growing! Construction is currently in progress, adding an additional 37 bed in patient adolescent psychiatric treatment wing. As an organization committed to mental health services we will continue to address inequities and disparities in the population we serve, while maintaining the confidence and privacy of our patients. Please note the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems survey was not administered to our patients. At the time of discharge our nursing staff reviews patient's diagnosis and discharge medications. In addition the nursing staff provides the patient with written paperwork that contains information about signs and symptoms that will prompt the patient to seek additional healthcare services.