

South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

FY 2024 Proviso 117.69 Report – IMD Operations

117.69. *(GP: IMD Operations) The Department of Health and Human Services shall produce an annual report on Medicaid-funded out-of-home placements and associated expenditures which shall be provided to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Governor no later than November first each year.*

Agency Match Responsibilities and Current Overall Trends

South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) continues to assume financial responsibility for covering the state's share of Medicaid-covered services when a child is placed at a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF). As the primary payor for PRTF level of care, SCDHHS also continues to lead the state in understanding the specific cases in need of PRTF, the options available to them in South Carolina, and minimal options for appropriate placements for specialized populations.

All data in this report includes both Medicaid Fee for Service and Managed Care claims and reimbursement figures.

Medicaid Claims and Patient Count Data – Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities

The total amount for claims paid on all PRTF beds remained relatively stable from SFY 2024 to SFY 2025 (Table 1); there was a negligible increase (8 %). The total number of unduplicated patients increased slightly by 4% (Table 2). **Note:** *Excalibur Youth Services represents combined data for two in-state PRTFs DBA Broadstep Kingstree and Broadstep Venice. Broadstep Hampton, DBA Broadstep Academy – South Carolina Inc., was terminated from SC Medicaid in FY2023.*

Table 1. PRTF Claims Paid by Incurred Fiscal Year 2023-2025

	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025*
Provider Name	Amount Paid	Amount Paid	Amount Paid
ABS LINC SC INC	\$ 4,175,005.37	\$ 4,226,744.37	\$ 1,252,938.75
ALABAMA CLINICAL SCHOOLS, INC	\$ 267,956.25	\$ 487,642.05	\$ 224,555.55
APPALACHIAN OUTPATIENT SERVICES	\$ 49,526.28	\$ 14,450.00	\$ 14,450.00
BROADSTEP ACADEMY- SOUTH CAROLINA INC	\$ 44,921.78		
CHESTNUT HILL MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, INC	\$ 229,754.85	\$ 512,053.30	\$ 2,142,017.05
EXCALIBUR YOUTH SERVICES, LLC.	\$ 6,866,500.00	\$ 9,191,750.00	\$ 8,935,085.00
HARBOR POINT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER INC	\$ 139,577.20		
HHC AUGUSTA, INC	\$ 818,202.36	\$ 980,403.00	\$ 596,164.50
KEYSTONE CONTINUUM, LLC (NATCHEZ TRACE YOUTH AC	\$ 112,470.00		\$ -
KEYSTONE NEWPORT NEWS, LLC	\$ 102,078.00		\$ -
UHS OF LAUREL HEIGHTS, LP	\$ 132,750.00	\$ 36,750.00	\$ 36,500.00
LAUREL OAKS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER	\$ 258,130.92	\$ 499,500.00	\$ 103,170.00
NEW HOPE CAROLINAS	\$ 2,823,369.74	\$ 1,936,004.04	\$ 2,497,043.50
PINEY RIDGE TREATMENT CENTER, LLC	\$ 109,500.00	\$ 115,500.00	\$ 131,450.00
PURPOSE-SC	\$ 4,908,332.50	\$ -	\$ -
SP BEHAVIORAL LLC	\$ 366,776.15	\$ 156,199.95	\$ 632,775.00
THE DEVEREUX FOUNDATION	\$ 39,721.50	\$ 146,166.00	\$ 112,675.00
THREE RIVERS RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT MIDLANDS CAM	\$ 7,542,609.34	\$ 8,250,679.10	\$ 5,889,050.70
WINDWOOD FARM HOME FOR CHILDREN, INC.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,318,500.00
WINDWOOD FARM HOME FOR CHILDREN, INC.	\$ 1,910,500.00	\$ 2,318,500.00	\$ 2,603,200.00
YOUTH VILLAGES, INC.	\$ 369,750.00	\$ 321,850.00	\$ 321,850.00
YOUTH VILLAGES, INC.	\$ 25,300.00	\$ 21,750.00	\$ 1,426,700.00
TOTALS	\$ 31,292,732.24	\$ 29,215,941.81	\$ 29,238,125.05
<i>*Claims and encounter data updated as of 11/4/2025</i>			

Table 2. PRTF Unduplicated Patient Count by Incurred Fiscal Year 2023-2025

	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025*
Provider Name	Patients	Patients	Patients
ABS LINCS SC INC	126	125	125
ALABAMA CLINICAL SCHOOLS, INC	3	3	3
APPALACHIAN OUTPATIENT SERVICES	3	1	1
BROADSTEP ACADEMY- SOUTH CAROLINA INC	3	2	0
CHESTNUT HILL MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, INC	7	16	16
EXCALIBUR YOUTH SERVICES, LLC.	148	139	139
HARBOR POINT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER INC	2	0	0
HHC AUGUSTA, INC	24	38	38
KEYSTONE CONTINUUM, LLC (NATCHEZ TRACE YOUTH ACA)	1	0	0
KEYSTONE NEWPORT NEWS, LLC	1	0	0
UHS OF LAUREL HEIGHTS, LP	1	1	1
LAUREL OAKS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER	3	4	4
NEW HOPE CAROLINAS	47	41	41
PINEY RIDGE TREATMENT CENTER, LLC	1	1	2
PURPOSE-SC	56	0	0
SP BEHAVIORAL LLC	6	2	2
THE DEVEREUX FOUNDATION	4	3	3
THREE RIVERS RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT MIDLANDS CAMPUS, INC	178	179	179
WINDWOOD FARM HOME FOR CHILDREN, INC.	28	33	33
YOUTH VILLAGES, INC.	1	1	1
YOUTH VILLAGES, INC.	3	3	3
Total Unique Patients	556	539	541
Total Patient Visits	646	592	591
<i>*Claims and encounter data updated as of 11/4/2025</i>			

Medicaid Claims and Patient Count Data – Public Psychiatric Inpatient Hospitals

Of interest in FY2025 is the overall increase in reimbursement for acute psychiatric hospital level of care for adults and children in a public hospital setting (e.g., Office of Mental Health (OMH) facilities); specifically, the data reflects a 6% total increase (Table 3) and is more in line with Medicaid reimbursements in FY2023. Claims paid to OMH for G. Werber Bryan Hospital are at the highest point since FY2023 and the total for FY2025 represents a 26% increase over FY2024; likewise, claims paid for William S. Hall demonstrate a significant increase over both previous fiscal years, with FY2025 representing a 27% increase over FY2024. Additionally, claims for acute substance use disorder treatment (William J. McCord) saw an increase of 9% from FY2023 to FY2024.

Of note, OMH's Patrick B. Harris demonstrated another significant decrease (30%) in FY2025, which is the same as noted for FY2024.

Table 3. Public Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitals – Claims Paid by Incurred Fiscal Year

	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025*
Provider Name	Amount Paid	Amount Paid	Amount Paid
SCDBHID-OMH -- BRYAN PSYCHIATRIC	\$ 1,098,265.77	\$ 917,691.30	\$ 1,153,181.74
SCDBHID-OMH -- WILLIAM S. HALL	\$ 1,920,131.03	\$ 1,929,725.68	\$ 2,443,784.40
SCDBHID-OMH -- PATRICK B. HARRIS	\$ 2,445,984.60	\$ 1,676,210.37	\$ 1,177,834.85
WLLIAM J. MCCORD ADOLESCENT TREATMENT FACILITY	\$ 370,832.38	\$ 985,585.00	\$ 1,069,413.86
TOTALS	\$ 5,835,213.78	\$ 5,509,212.35	\$ 5,844,214.85
<i>*Claims and encounter data updated as of 11/4/2025</i>			

Unduplicated patient counts for OMH inpatient facilities and William J. McCord remained fairly stable since SFY 2023 with an overall increase of 10%. William S. Hall saw a 12% increase in unique patients since FY2024.

Table 4. Public Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitals – Unduplicated Patient Count by Incurred Fiscal Year

	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025*
Provider Name	Patients	Patients	Patients
SCDBHID-OMH -- BRYAN PSYCHIATRIC	1	7	9
SCDBHID-OMH -- WILLIAM S. HALL	188	193	217
SCDBHID-OMH -- PATRICK B. HARRIS	13	12	10
WLLIAM J. MCCORD ADOLESCENT TREATMENT FACILITY	79	89	94
Total Unique Patients	280	300	329
Total Patient Visits	281	301	330
<i>*Claims and encounter data updated as of 11/4/2025</i>			

Medicaid Claims and Patient Count Data – Private Psychiatric Inpatient Hospitals

As seen in Tables 5 and 6 as compared to Tables 3 and 4, there is a significant difference in the claims paid as well as the unduplicated patient counts for private vs. public inpatient psychiatric hospitals. This is related to the greater number of private beds as opposed to public beds in South Carolina for patients in acute psychiatric crisis.

Most facilities saw large increases in claims reimbursed by Medicaid since FY2024 (Table 5): Three Rivers Behavioral Health (43%), Carolina Center for Behavioral Health (53%), and most significantly, Palmetto Lowcountry (131%). **Note:** Palmetto Lowcountry PRTF and Palmetto Summerville PRTF, both on adjacent property to the acute hospital and all owned by UHS, Inc., closed this FY, which may have impacted those admitting to the acute level of care.

Alternately, two facilities saw slight decreases: Lighthouse Behavioral Health (6%) and Rebound Behavioral Health (13%).

While there was a slight increase in total unduplicated patient count for FY2025, several facilities saw significant decreases in total unique patients seen during the same fiscal year: Lighthouse Behavioral Health (27% decrease) and Rebound Behavioral Health (43% decrease).

Table 5. Private Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitals – Claims Paid by Incurred Fiscal Year

	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025*
Provider Name	Amount Paid	Amount Paid	Amount Paid
LIGHTHOUSE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH HOSPITAL	\$ 2,498,084.00	\$ 4,548,317.46	\$ 4,277,069.01
PALMETTO LOWCOUNTRY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC	\$ 5,816,116.85	\$ 1,922,413.66	\$ 4,434,789.88
REBOUND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	\$ 6,412,181.78	\$ 3,134,531.71	\$ 2,740,204.06
THE CAROLINA CENTER FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	\$ 3,927,120.06	\$ 4,007,190.43	\$ 6,126,567.21
PRISMA HEALTH UPSTATE	\$ -	\$ 17,453.87	\$ 34,101.03
THREE RIVERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	\$ 815,802.36	\$ 7,532,956.34	\$ 10,749,365.54
TOTALS	\$ 19,469,305.05	\$ 21,162,863.47	\$ 28,362,096.73
<i>*Claims and encounter data updated as of 11/4/2025</i>			

Table 6. Private Inpatient Psychiatric Hospitals – Unduplicated Patient Count by Incurred Fiscal Year

	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025*
Provider Name	Patients	Patients	Patients
LIGHTHOUSE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH HOSPITAL	23	982	721
PALMETTO LOWCOUNTRY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC	677	512	485
REBOUND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	876	711	402
THE CAROLINA CENTER FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	1,271	980	1,003
PRISMA HEALTH UPSTATE	0	3	3
THREE RIVERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	1,467	1,538	1,446
Total Unique Patients	3,977	3,970	4,061
Total Patient Visits	4,314	4,438	4,441
<i>*Claims and encounter data updated as of 11/4/2025</i>			