

Extended Acute Care Referral Process Lehigh County Consumers

- Acute Inpatient Hospital Treatment team makes the recommendation for Extended Acute Care and makes a referral to one of the three ACT Providers in the Lehigh Valley: NHS Human Services, Lehigh Valley ACT or Salisbury Behavioral Health.
- ACT Provider completes a Community Planning Assessment.
- If the Community Planning Assessment recommends a community based level of care the Hospital will coordinate with MCO and County to arrange after care plans; if the assessment recommends Extended Acute Care the ACT Provider will fax a copy to the County Mental Health Designee, Magellan and the Acute Inpatient Hospital.
- When Community Planning Assessment recommends Extended Acute Care the Hospital will complete the EAC Admissions Packet and submit via fax to Jen Stoltz Sacred Heart Hospital Brad Newhard, Lehigh County 610- 820-3689 and Carl Kist, Magellan 866-382-1258.

When EAC referral packet is received Sacred Heart Hospital will coordinate a meeting or teleconference with County and Magellan if the consumer is HealthChoices to review for medical necessity criteria for Hospital based EAC per PA Bulletin #OMH-94-04.

- All final approvals will be given by Lehigh County. Referral sources will receive feedback on the referral within 48 business hours.

Extended Acute Care Contacts

Community Planning Assessments

Provider	Contact	Phone Number
LV ACT	Sue Acklen	610-882-1355
Northwestern Human Services	Brian Buher	610-866-8331
Salisbury Behavioral Health	Stephanie Barnett Jamison	570-422-6670

Referral Packet Submission

Provider	Contact	Phone Number	Fax Number
Sacred Heart Hospital	Jen Stoltz	610-776-4783	610-776-4839
Lehigh County *Lehigh County Residents	Brad Newhard	610-782-3516	610-820-3689
Magellan *HealthChoices Consumers	Carl Kist	610-814-8012	866-382-1258