



Kitty Rhoades Memorial Memory Care Center

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DCSU Exclusion Criteria

Dementia Crisis Stabilization Unit (DCSU)

The **DCSU** is a short-term facility designed to provide stabilization services for individuals experiencing behavioral or psychological crises related to dementia. The facility operates without on-site physician services or 24-hour nursing care, and it is not equipped to manage complex medical conditions requiring continuous clinical oversight. To ensure the safety and appropriateness of care for all residents, the following exclusion criteria apply:

Medical & Nursing Care Needs

Individuals requiring:

- 24-hour skilled nursing care or frequent medical monitoring
- Continuous intravenous (IV) therapy, total parenteral nutrition (TPN), or feeding tubes requiring skilled management
- Oxygen therapy at a rate greater than 4 liters per minute, BiPAP/CPAP dependence, or other advanced respiratory support
- Complex wound care, including Stage III or IV pressure ulcers requiring specialized treatment
- Dialysis (hemodialysis or peritoneal) requiring transportation to/from a treatment center multiple times per week
- Unstable diabetes, requiring frequent insulin adjustments or blood sugar monitoring beyond basic supervision

Behavioral & Psychiatric Concerns

Individuals presenting with:

- A primary psychiatric diagnosis unrelated to dementia (e.g., schizophrenia, bipolar disorder without dementia component)
- Active suicidal ideation, recent suicide attempt, or severe self-harm behaviors requiring psychiatric hospitalization
- Persistent violent aggression or behaviors posing an immediate and significant risk to others or staff
- Active substance use disorder requiring medical detoxification
- Severe elopement risk that cannot be managed within the secured environment of the DCSU

Legal & Safety Considerations

Individuals who:

- Are under involuntary commitment orders requiring inpatient psychiatric hospitalization
- Have recent or pending criminal charges for violent offenses
- Require mechanical restraints or locked seclusion to ensure safety
- Present a high risk of arson or other property destruction that endangers others

Additional Considerations

- Individuals requiring hospice-level care or actively in the terminal stage of an illness
- Those requiring extensive assistance with activities of daily living (ADLs) beyond the capability of available staff
- Any individual whose needs exceed the scope of the DCSU's staffing and resources

Note: Each admission will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine if the individual's needs can be met within the DCSU's care model. Referrals to more appropriate care settings will be provided as needed.
