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Updating Boarding Bed Types

Updating Boarder Bed Counts

Hospital boarders can be due to a variety of reasons:

- Patients that don't have a bed in a standard location within the hospital and are being held in hallways, surge spaces, etc. (Example Patient waiting for a bed in another part of the hospital for treatment, but no bed is available.)
- Patients in a location that do not need the level of care that location provides but cannot currently be moved to another location.
- Patients awaiting placement in a step-down unit, or transfer to another hospital for a different type of care.
- Patients awaiting placement in post-acute care placement. This includes ALL patients awaiting discharge to post-acute care not just difficult to discharge Guardianship and Long Length of Stay patients. (These patients are included in counts by the bed type being occupied.)

Updating Boarder Bed Counts

Navigate to your Agency Summary Page and locate Bed Information Widget. Next, click the Update All button to update multiple bed types. Enter the number of patients boarding in each/any location within the hospital. Once complete, make sure to click the **Save All** button.

Bed Type	Be	Bed Count		Contact	
Patient boarding types					
Emergency Dept Boarders - # of ED boarding pts	10	(max 75)	None	~	
Hospital Boarder - Adult Acute Care (Current #)	0	(max 75)	None	~	
Hospital Boarder - Adult ICU (Current #)	0	(max 75)	None	~	
Hospital Boarder - Adult Psych (Current #)	0	(max 75)	None	~	
Hospital Boarder - Pediatric ICU (Current #)	0	(max 75)	None	~	
Hospital Boarder - Pediatric Psych (Current #)	3	(max 75)	None	~	
Hospital Boarder - Peds Acute Care (Current #)	0	(max 75)	None	~	
Hospital Boarder - Telemetry (Current #)	0	(max 75)	None	~	

You may also update one bed type at a time. To do so, navigate to your Agency Summary Page and locate Bed Information Widget. To update click on the name of the bed, enter the number of Available Staffed beds, and select **Save**.

Bed Information			
Bed Type		Bed Count	Contact
Hospital Boarder - Adult ICU (Current #)		0 (max 75)	None 🗸
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Boarder Bed Type Definitions

What is an ED Boarder? - Patients remaining in the ED after the decision to admit the patient to hospital; defined as the period between the decision to admit and having the patient leave the ED, be admitted to an observation area or transfer.

 Emergency Dept Boarders - # of ED boarding pts -Number of patients boarding in the Emergency Department and being cared for while awaiting placement else ware.

What is a Hospital Boarder? – Any patient that is in the hospital (not including the ED) that is awaiting appropriate placement. These patients are broken out into the following categories below based on their location in the hospital.

- Hospital Boarder Adult Acute Care (Current #) Current number of Acute Care patients waiting in the hospital for an inpatient Acute Care bed.
- Hospital Boarder Adult ICU (Current #) Current number of ICU patients waiting in the hospital for an inpatient ICU bed.
- Hospital Boarder Adult Psych (Current #) Current number of patients boarding in an Adult inpatient Psych treatment bed.
- Hospital Boarder Telemetry (Current #) -Current number of boarding in an inpatient Telemetry bed.
- Hospital Boarder Peds Acute Care (Current #) Current number of Pediatric patients boarding in an Acute Care bed.
- Hospital Boarder Pediatric ICU (Current #) Current number of Pediatric ICU patients waiting in the hospital for an inpatient ICU bed.
- Hospital Boarder Pediatric Psych (Current #) Current number of Pediatric patients boarding in a Pediatric inpatient Psych treatment bed.

***When updating boarder beds, you are not entering the number of available beds, you are entering the **number of actual patients boarding** in the ED or within the hospital. Tracking these numbers is important for demonstrating critical bed shortages and the strain being placed on hospitals by housing these individuals.