



DBHDD

**DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH &  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING &  
SYNOPSIS**

November 5, 2014

To All Interested Persons and Parties:

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (Board) proposes to promulgate revisions to the rules and regulations of the State of Georgia governing crisis stabilization units. See O.C.G.A. § 37-1-22 (“The board shall adopt and promulgate written rules, regulations, and standards as may be deemed necessary to effectuate the purposes of this title and which shall be the basis of state financial participation in mental health, developmental disabilities, and addictive diseases programs.”) See also O.C.G.A. § 37-1-29(c) (“The department shall establish minimum standards and requirements for the licensure of crisis stabilization units.”)

The following rules and regulations are proposed for revision pursuant to this Notice of Proposed Rule Making:

**Chapter 3: Adult Crisis Stabilization Units, Rules 82-3-1-.01 through 82-3-1-.32 and Chapter 4: Children and Adolescent Crisis Stabilization Units, Rules 82-4-1-.01 through 82-4-1-.34.**

This notice, together with exact copies of the proposed rule amendments and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments, is being distributed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a distribution list. An exact copy of the proposed revisions to the rules and a synopsis of the proposed revisions to rules are available at the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities’ website, [www.dbhdd.ga.gov](http://www.dbhdd.ga.gov). Alternatively, these documents may be obtained by contacting the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities at 404-657-1652.

We solicit your comments, data or positions in support or against this action. To ensure their consideration, written comments must be submitted to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities before the close of business on **December 8, 2014**, and should be submitted as follows:

Mail or hand-delivery: Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities  
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For further information, contact Maxine Cook at 404-657-1652 or [Maxine.Cook@dbhdd.ga.gov](mailto:Maxine.Cook@dbhdd.ga.gov).

All comments received will be summarized in a report to the Board. The Board will consider final adoption of these proposed Rules at its regular meeting on December 18, 2014, at 1:00 P.M. at the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, 2 Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 24-230 (DBHDD Board Room), Atlanta, Georgia 30303 pursuant to the authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 50-13-4, 37-1-22 and 37-1-29(c).

This Notice is issued in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.



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