

# Comprehensive Application for Prior Approval Review

## 14 NYCRR 551

### Instructions

#### Who Must Complete This Application Form

This application should be used for all comprehensive projects subject to prior approval by the Office of Mental Health in accordance with Part 551 of 14 New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR), including outpatient, inpatient, and residential programs. For further reference, consult Part 551 of the regulations.

Providers subject to licensure under Article 28 of the Public Health Law who propose projects subject to licensure under the Mental Hygiene Law must receive prior approval by the Office of Mental Health. Refer to Section 551.8 (d) of NYCRR. Article 28 providers should consult with Office of Mental Health (OMH) and the Department of Health (DOH) concerning applicable procedures prior to submission of this form.

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#### Where to Send PAR Application

##### Send 6 copies (including an original) to:

Office of Mental Health  
Bureau of Inspection and Certification  
Att: PAR Unit  
44 Holland Avenue  
Albany, NY 12229

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## Application Form

The PAR application consists of two parts:

Part I (Project Approval) describes the scope of the project for which OMH approval is requested under Part 551. Most of the standards specified in Section 551.7 of the regulations will be applied in reviewing Part I.

Part II (Physical Plant) describes the physical facility in which the program will operate.

An applicant may submit both Part I and Part II for review, or submit Part I only for review and decision, prior to locating a site for the project and submitting Part II. However, final approval of the overall project is contingent upon approval of both Part I and Part II of the PAR application.

**Please Note: Prior to submission, a consultation with the local OMH field office is required.**

## Core Application

All applicants complete Part I, Sections A–D. Complete only those Items within each Section that are relevant to the project. Indicate “not applicable” to Items as appropriate.

## Project - Specific Information

Page	Type of Project	Complete these Sections
2	Establishment of a new program by a new provider	E, F, G, H, I, J; Part II
2	Establishment of a new inpatient program	E, F, G, H, I, J; Part II
3	Expand or reduce existing inpatient program by greater than 15% or greater than 10 beds	E, F, G, H, I, K; Part II
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3	Capital projects that are part of a comprehensive PAR or projects that exceed \$600,000	H, L (2); Part II
4	Other projects	C (6)

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<h2 style="margin: 0;">Comprehensive Application for Prior Approval Review</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">14 NYCRR 551</h3>	<b>OMH Use Only</b>
	<div style="width: 45%; text-align: center;"> <b>Application No.</b>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> </div> <div style="width: 45%; text-align: center;"> <b>Date Received</b>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> </div>

## Part I – Project Approval

### Section A – Acknowledgment

I certify that all information included and/or attached to this application is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge. I certify my awareness of the requirement for approval by the Office of Mental Health prior to initiation of this project. If an operating certificate is required, I will obtain an operating certificate from the Office of Mental Health prior to operating the program and providing services.

Signature of Chief Executive Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print or Type Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

### Section B – General Information

<b>1. Identification of Applicant</b> <b>a. Name of Agency</b> _____  <b>b. Address</b> No. & Street _____  City, State, Zip Code _____  County _____  <b>c. Agency Legal Name</b> <i>(if different from above)</i> _____  <b>d. Phone Number of Applicant</b> _____  <b>e. Medicaid Provider Number (if any)</b> _____  <b>f. National Provider ID (if any)</b> _____  <b>g. Fax Number of Applicant</b> _____  <b>h. Email Address of Applicant</b> _____	<b>d. Fax Number of Contact</b> _____  <b>e. Email of Contact Person</b> _____  <b>3. Type of Applicant</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public (check appropriate box below)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Proprietary (check appropriate box below)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Liability Company  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Not-For-Profit Corporation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other (specify)</b> _____
<b>2. Identification of Contact Person</b> <b>a. Name and Title of Person to Contact for Additional Information</b> _____  <b>b. Address of Contact Person</b> _____  <b>c. Phone Number of Contact Person</b> _____	<b>4. Type of Facility Operated by Applicant</b> <b>(Check all that apply)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> General Hospital (Article 28 PHL) <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic Treatment Center (Article 28 PHL) <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric Center (State-operated) <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital for the Mentally Ill (Article 31 MHL) <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment Facility for Children and Youth <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____

**Section B – General Information (Continued)**

<p><b>5. Applicant Experience</b> <i>(check all that apply)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant currently provides mental health services licensed by OMH for at least 6 months in all counties applicable to this project.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant currently provides mental health services licensed by OMH for at least 6 months in other counties not applicable to this project. List Counties: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant currently provides mental health services licensed by OMH for less than 6 months. List Counties: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant currently provides mental health services authorized (but not licensed) by OMH. List Counties: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant currently provides mental health services in a State other than New York State. List States: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant does not currently provide mental health services.</p>	<p><b>6. Network Affiliations</b> <i>(if applicable)</i></p> <p>Identify any networks, in which applicant participates.</p> <hr/> <p><b>7. Affiliated Organizations</b> <i>(if applicable)</i></p> <p>Identify Affiliated Organization:</p>
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**Section C – Project Description**

<p><i>(Check all that apply)</i></p>		
<p><b>1. Establish New Program by a new provider or establishment of a new inpatient program</b></p>		
<p><b>a. Outpatient *</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Clinic Treatment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Day Treatment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Partial Hospitalization</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Intensive Psychiatric Rehabilitative Treatment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Day Treatment for Children/Adolescents</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program</p> <p><i>*For ACT and PROS programs, use specific OMH applications.</i></p>	<p><b>b. Inpatient</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric Unit in General Hospital</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hospital for Mentally Ill</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Residential Treatment Facility for Children and Youth</p> <p><b>c. Licensed Housing - Children &amp; Adolescents</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Community Residence</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Teaching Family Home</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Residence</p>	<p><b>d. Licensed Housing - Adults Program</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Support</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Treatment</p> <p><b>Site</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Congregate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Apartment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Service enriched single room occupancy</p> <p><b>e. Crisis Residence - Adults</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Residence</p>
<p><b>Proposed Capacity</b></p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Proposed Age Range</b></p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Proposed Name of Program</b> <i>(if known)</i></p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>Operating Days and Hours of Program</b></p> <p>_____</p>		<p><b>Address of Proposed Program</b> <i>(if known)</i></p> <p>_____</p>
<p><b>Counties to be served by Proposed Program</b></p> <p>_____</p>		<p>_____</p>

<b>2. Expand or reduce existing <i>Inpatient</i> Program by greater than 15% or greater than 10 beds.</b>		
<b>Name of Program</b>	<b>Operating Certificate No.</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>
<b>Address</b>		
<b>Current Capacity</b>	<b>Proposed Capacity</b>	
<b>Counties to be Served by Expanded Program</b>		

<b>3. Close <i>Inpatient</i> Program</b>	
<b>Number of Recipients Affected by Closure</b>	<b>Operating Certificate No.</b>
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Counties Served</b>	<b>Proposed Date of Closure</b>

<b>4. Change of Sponsor of a Licensed Program to a New Sponsor not currently licensed by OMH</b>	
Type of Program: <input type="checkbox"/> Outpatient <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient <input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Housing	
<b>Current Sponsor</b>	<b>Counties to be Served by Program(s)</b>
<b>Name of Program(s)</b>	<b>Current Sponsor Program Operating Certificate No.</b>

<b>5. Capital Projects that are part of a comprehensive PAR or exceeds \$600,000</b>		
<b>Construction Type of Program:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Substantial Renovation <input type="checkbox"/> Alteration <input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase of building <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase of land <input type="checkbox"/> Lease of building <input type="checkbox"/> Lease of land <input type="checkbox"/> Lease of space only	<b>Type of Program:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Outpatient <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient <input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Housing <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>Specify</i> ) _____	<b>Estimated Cost:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if state-aid for capital construction is requested ( <i>non-state providers only</i> )  <b>Estimated Replacement Cost:</b> \$ _____ ( <i>substantial renovation project only</i> )

<b>6. Other Projects - Please describe:</b>

**Section D – Prior Consultation**

**1. Confirm consultation meeting with representatives of each local governmental unit (county) served by the project. Refer to 551.5 (c).**

County Name	Date of Consult	Name of Applicant Participant	Name of LGU Participant

**2. Confirm consultation meeting with representatives of OMH Field Office. Refer to 551.5 (d).**

Field Office	Date of Consult	Name of Applicant Participant	Name of OMH Participant

**Section E – Program Information**

**1. Caseload\* (For Outpatient Programs Only)**

- a. Program Type \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Proposed Annual Caseload \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Current Annual Caseload (12 month period) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Caseload means the total number of unduplicated persons actively served by an outpatient program, based on the previous 12-month period.*

**2. Services Checklist (Check all services provided by the program)**

**a. Outpatient Programs**

Program	Required Services	Optional Services	Additional Services or Services by Other Providers (specify provider and service)
<b>Clinic Treatment</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> initial assessment <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric assessment <input type="checkbox"/> psychotherapy-individual <input type="checkbox"/> psychotherapy- family/collateral <input type="checkbox"/> psychotherapy- group <input type="checkbox"/> psychotropic medication treatment <input type="checkbox"/> injectable psychotropic medication administration- (for clinics serving adults) <input type="checkbox"/> crisis intervention <input type="checkbox"/> complex care management <input type="checkbox"/> outreach	<input type="checkbox"/> developmental testing <input type="checkbox"/> psychological testing <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric consultation <input type="checkbox"/> health physicals <input type="checkbox"/> health monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> injectable psychotropic medication administration- (for clinics serving only children)	

Program	Required Services	Optional Services	Additional Services or Services by Other Providers <i>(specify provider and service)</i>
<b>Continuing Day Treatment</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> assessment and treatment planning <input type="checkbox"/> health screening and referral <input type="checkbox"/> discharge planning <input type="checkbox"/> case management <input type="checkbox"/> medication therapy <input type="checkbox"/> medication education <input type="checkbox"/> symptom management <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative readiness determination and referral <input type="checkbox"/> rehabilitative readiness development	<input type="checkbox"/> supportive skills training <input type="checkbox"/> activity therapy <input type="checkbox"/> verbal therapy <input type="checkbox"/> crisis intervention <input type="checkbox"/> clinical support	<input type="checkbox"/> case management <input type="checkbox"/> crisis intervention <input type="checkbox"/> health screening and referral <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative readiness determination and referral
<b>Partial Hospitalization</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> assessment and treatment planning <input type="checkbox"/> health screening and referral <input type="checkbox"/> symptom management <input type="checkbox"/> medication therapy <input type="checkbox"/> medication education <input type="checkbox"/> verbal therapy <input type="checkbox"/> case management <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative readiness determination and referral <input type="checkbox"/> crisis intervention <input type="checkbox"/> activity therapy <input type="checkbox"/> discharge planning <input type="checkbox"/> clinical support		<input type="checkbox"/> case management <input type="checkbox"/> crisis intervention <input type="checkbox"/> health screening and referral <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative readiness determination and referral
<b>Intensive Psychiatric Rehabilitative Treatment</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative readiness determination <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative goal setting <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative function and resource assessment <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative service planning <input type="checkbox"/> psychiatric rehabilitative skills and resource development <input type="checkbox"/> discharge planning		
<b>Day Treatment</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> health screening and referral <input type="checkbox"/> medication therapy <input type="checkbox"/> verbal therapy <input type="checkbox"/> crisis intervention <input type="checkbox"/> case management <input type="checkbox"/> social training <input type="checkbox"/> task & skill training <input type="checkbox"/> socialization		<input type="checkbox"/> social training <input type="checkbox"/> task & skill training <input type="checkbox"/> socialization
<b>CPEP</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> crisis intervention <input type="checkbox"/> crisis outreach <input type="checkbox"/> crisis residence <input type="checkbox"/> extended observation beds <input type="checkbox"/> triage & referral <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____		

**b. Licensed Housing: New Sponsor not selected through the OMH Request for Proposal (RFP) process**

Program	Required Services	Additional Services or Services by Other Providers <i>(specify provider and service)</i>
<b>Adults</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> assertiveness/self advocacy <input type="checkbox"/> community integration/resource development <input type="checkbox"/> daily living skills <input type="checkbox"/> health services <input type="checkbox"/> medication management & training <input type="checkbox"/> parent training <input type="checkbox"/> rehabilitation counseling <input type="checkbox"/> skill development services <input type="checkbox"/> socialization <input type="checkbox"/> substance abuse services <input type="checkbox"/> symptom management <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	
<b>Children &amp; Adolescents</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> behavior management <input type="checkbox"/> case management <input type="checkbox"/> counseling <input type="checkbox"/> daily living skills <input type="checkbox"/> education/vocation support <input type="checkbox"/> family support <input type="checkbox"/> health services <input type="checkbox"/> independent living skills <input type="checkbox"/> medication management <input type="checkbox"/> medication monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> respite <input type="checkbox"/> room & board <input type="checkbox"/> socialization <input type="checkbox"/> crisis stabilization	

**C. Inpatient Programs - List Services**

Empty box for listing services for inpatient programs.



### Section F – Staffing

<b>1. Outpatient Staffing Chart</b>		Full Time Employee (FTE)		
List Each Position by Title	Number of FTE's	Days Worked (i.e. M-F)	Hours or Shift Worked (i.e. 7-3 or Eve)	Estimate Annual Salary Cost in Whole Dollars
<i>Ex: Registered Nurse</i>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>M-F</b>	<b>8-5</b>	<b>85,000</b>
<i>Ex: MSW</i>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>M, W, F</b>	<b>1-7</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<i>Ex: Psychiatrist</i>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>T &amp; W</b>	<b>9-5</b>	<b>30,000</b>
<b>Totals</b>				

**2. Indicate the standard workweek (in hours) of a full-time staff position.**

  
  
  
  
  
  

**3. Describe how staff supervision will be provided.**

  
  
  
  
  
  

**4. Inpatient Staffing - provide staffing plan that shows staff coverage 24/7.**

**Section G – Financial**

**1. Operating Budget**

*(attach additional pages as needed)*

Fiscal Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Jan - Dec \_\_\_\_\_ July-June

**Clinic programs must complete the Clinic Projection Tools found on the OMH website.**

<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>For Inpatient Expansions Provide An Incremental Budget</b>	<b>Operation During First Full Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Operation During Second Full Fiscal Year</b>
Staffing Salaries			
Staff Fringe Benefits			
Rent or Mortgage			
Equipment			
Utilities			
Insurance			
Travel			
Food			
Office Supplies			
Housekeeping			
Program Supplies			
Debt Service (other than Mortgage)			
Administration and Overhead <i>(Complete G4d)</i>			
<b>TOTALS:</b>			
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>			
Patient Fees			
Medicaid Base Revenue			
Medicaid Managed Care			
Medicare			
Third Party Payments			
Direct State Expenditures (State Program)			
Grants <i>(specify source)</i>			
Contributions or Other Revenue <i>(specify each type, such as: from individual, other groups, etc.)</i>			
<b>GOVERNMENT SUPPORT</b>			
State Aid			
Other Government Income <i>(specify each funding source)</i>			
<b>TOTALS:</b>			

<b>2. Expected Utilization for Outpatient Programs:</b>		
	1st Full Year	2nd Full Year
<b>Annual Medicaid Visits</b>		
Individual Visits		
Group Visits		
<b>All Non-Medicaid Annual Visits</b>		
Individual Visits		
Group Visits		
<b>Total Annual Visits</b>		
Individual Visits		
Group Visits		
<b>Caseload*</b>		
<b>Program Capacity**</b>		
<p><i>*Caseload means the proposed average number of persons to be served by an outpatient program per month. **Capacity is defined, for outpatient, as the number of recipients who can be served on site at a given time.</i></p>		
<p><b>Service Frequency</b></p> <p><b>a. For Outpatient Programs, what percentages of patients are expected to attend the program?</b>              Once a week or less                      2 or 3 times a week                      4 or more times a week</p> <p><b>b. For Continuing Day Treatment, Partial Hospitalization, and Day Treatment Programs, what percentage of visits are projected to be 5 or more hours in duration? _____ %</b></p>		
<b>3. Expected Utilization for Residential and Inpatient Programs:</b>		
	1st Full Year	2nd Full Year
<b>Total resident/patient days</b>		
<b>Total Medicaid days</b>		
<b>Caseload (annual)</b>		
<b>Program Capacity**</b>		
<b>Average length of stay</b>		
<b>Average Occupancy</b>		
<p><i>Capacity** is the total number of beds to be listed on the operating certificate.</i></p>		
<b>4. Budget Information</b>		
<p><b>a. Explain the methodology used to derive revenue by payor source and the projected utilization upon which the budget is based. Include data pertaining to caseload, visits, maximum capacity, frequency, seasonal fluctuation, etc. (Attach separate sheet, if necessary.)</b></p>		
<p><b>b. If construction/renovation is involved in this application, describe its anticipated effect on the cost per unit of care. (Attach separate sheet, if necessary.)</b></p>		

<p><b>c. Describe program development costs (i.e., costs prior to program operation) and financing.</b> <i>(Attach separate sheet, if necessary.)</i></p>
<p><b>d. Describe how administrative and overhead costs were determined and provide a breakdown of costs on a separate sheet.</b></p>
<p><b>e. For new outpatient programs, other than clinics, indicating fee-for-service Medicaid, identify the specific source for the State share of Medicaid and submit the award letter from the LGU, if applicable.</b></p>
<p><b>f. Submit the last three (3) years of financial statements prepared by a certified public accountant. (Not applicable to applicants who are state, county, or municipal agencies).</b></p>

**Section H – Disclosures**

<p><b>1. Do any members of the existing/proposed board of directors of the corporation, officers, stockholders, or executive staff have a real property interest in the land, building, or equipment used by the programs?</b>  <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No                  If YES, identify the individual, his/her address, his/her relationship to the program, and fully describe the nature of the interest in an attachment.</p>
<p><b>2. Do any relatives of the members of the existing/proposed board of directors of the corporation, officers, stockholders, or executive staff have a real property interest in the land, building, or equipment used by the program?</b> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No                  If YES, identify the individual, his/her address, his/her relationship to the program, and fully describe the nature of the interest in an attachment.</p>
<p><b>3. Do any other partnerships or corporations which include members of the existing/proposed board of directors of the corporation, officers, stockholders, or executive staff have a real property interest in the land, building, or equipment used by the program?</b> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No                  If YES, identify the individual, his/her address, his/her relationship to the program, and fully describe the nature of the interest in an attachment.</p>
<p><b>4. Will management, clinical services, or administrative functions of the program be provided by individuals who are not employees of the applicant or by organizations other than the applicant?</b>  <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No                  If YES, identify the individual or organization, and provide reasons for entering into the proposed contract, background on the principals, officers and directors of the organization, including information in sufficient detail to enable review of the project pursuant to 551.7(a)(14) in an attachment and include a copy of the contract.</p>

**Section I – Attachments for Ownership, Character, and Competence**

<p><b>1. For each incorporator, member of the board of directors, stockholder, partner, or individual owner, provide the requested information on the Section I, Attachment “Ownership Information”.</b></p>
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**2. New providers must submit the following document(s) where applicable:****a. Check items submitted:**

- Certificate of Incorporation
- Certificate of Amendment of the Certificate of Incorporation
- Partnership Agreement
- Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization and Operating Agreement
- Sole Proprietor - Provide Administrative & Organizational Information

**b. Submit the following:**

- List all mental health programs or services and any other human services programs or services operated or managed by your organization during the last 10 years. List the names, addresses, license numbers and state regulatory agency having jurisdiction for each.
- Provide any additional information substantiating the character, competence, and standing of the applicant for the type of project proposed in this application.

**Section J – Attachments for Establishing a New Provider or a New Inpatient Program****1. Service Area**

- a. Define the geographic or political boundaries of the area to be served by the proposed program.
- b. Describe how the proposed program will function within the mental health system in the area to be served.

**2. Need**

- a. Explain why the program is needed.
- b. Describe the target population for the program qualitatively and quantitatively, specify gender, age and ethnicity. Describe the service needs of the target population and their families, and indicate how the proposed program will address these needs.
- c. Describe how your organization or your program currently serves the target population (if applicable).
- d. Provide any other information supporting need for the proposed program.

**3. Access**

- a. Describe how the program will serve the poor and the medically indigent.
- b. Describe the mechanisms by which the program will address the cultural and ethnic characteristics in the treatment of the population in the service area.
- c. Describe any factors limiting admission, i.e. fiscal, diagnostic or geographic.
- d. Describe the mechanisms for participation of consumer representation within the governing body (if applicable).
- e. Describe plans to enable persons with physical disabilities to access services, consistent with the characteristics of the population to be served.
- f. Indicate the transportation arrangements through which individuals will access the program.

**4. Continuity of Care**

- a. Provide a plan to ensure continuity of care within the mental health system and with other service systems. Identify specific providers to ensure linkages among programs.
- b. For outpatient programs, describe a plan by which patients in the program will be assisted during hours when the program is not in operation.

**5. Implementation**

Describe start-up or phase-in activities necessary to implement the program. Include time frames in your description.

**6. Functional Program**

- a. Mission** - Provide an overview of the proposed program and describe the treatment philosophy.
- b. Organization** - Describe the lines of authority from the governing body to the proposed program. Indicate the relationship of the program to other programs operated by your agency.
- c. Goals and Objectives** - Describe the goals, objectives, and expected outcomes of the program. Indicate average length of stay.
- d. Admission** - Describe admission criteria, policies, and procedures. Include inclusionary and exclusionary criteria, process, timeframes, record-keeping, and procedures for notifying families and programs in which recipients are currently admitted.
- e. Discharge** - Describe discharge criteria, policies, and procedures. Include process, time frames, record-keeping, and procedures for notifying families and programs to which recipients will be referred for further services.
- f. Services** - Provide a detailed description of all services available to recipients admitted to the program. Specify how these services will be provided and the staff position responsible for providing the service. Identify the provider of any services to be delivered by other than the proposed program. For programs serving children, describe plans to coordinate with the family and the school.
- g. Staffing** - Include the qualifications and duties for each staff position. Provide a rationale for the proposed staffing plan.
- h. Quality Assurance/Improvement** - Describe your plans for utilization review, incident management, and internal monitoring.
- i. Premises** - Provide a description of the premises to be used by the program. Include appropriately labeled sketch drawings showing use and dimensions of rooms.
- j. Waivers** - Identify any waiver requests and provide justification for the request. Describe the effect on your proposed program if the request is denied.

**Section K – Attachments for Inpatient Program Expansion or Reduction of an Existing Program by Greater than 15% or Greater Than 10 Beds**

1. Provide justification and data supporting the need for the expansion or reduction.
2. Describe the impact of the expansion or reduction on services, staffing, and space, provide incremental staffing.
3. For programs expanding to serve children, describe plans to coordinate with the family and the school.
4. Indicate the fiscal impact of the expansion or reduction. If the program will operate at a deficit, describe how this deficit will be covered. Include all sources of revenue. Provide the incremental changes to expenses and revenues.

**Section L – Attachments for Change of Sponsor, Capital Projects, or Other Projects**

- 1. Change of Sponsor of a licensed program to a new sponsor (sponsor that does not have any licensed OMH programs)**
  - a. Identify new sponsor and current sponsor.
  - b. Describe the reasons for changing sponsorship of the program(s).
  - c. Include written concurrence from the current sponsor for transfer of the program(s). If current sponsor is a corporation, include resolution from the Board of Directors.
  - d. Describe any changes to be made in operation of the program(s).
  - e. Describe the qualifications of the new sponsor to operate mental health programs.
  - f. Indicate any financial considerations involved in the change of sponsor.
  - g. Submit a transition plan, including time frames, for the change of sponsor.

**2. Capital Projects that are part of a Comprehensive PAR or projects that exceed \$600,000.**

- a. Describe the reasons for the project and any impact upon mental health programs.
- b. Complete Part II of the application.

**3. Closure of an Inpatient Program**

- a. Indicate proposed effective date of closure.
- b. Describe the reasons for closing the program.
- c. Submit a transition plan showing that recipients will be linked to appropriate alternative programs, which have agreed to accept the referrals; recipient transportation needs will be addressed; and follow-up will occur to confirm recipient linkage to programs.
- d. If the rationale for closure includes fiscal considerations, provide documentation to substantiate the lack of fiscal viability in the long term.
- e. Submit the plan for safeguarding recipient records and financial accounts.
- f. Describe the process and timeframe for evaluation and placement of recipients and completion of other activities to conclude the affairs of the program.
- g. Provide the Resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing the closure.

# Comprehensive Application for Prior Approval Review

## 14 NYCRR 551

### Part II – Physical Plant

#### Section A – Facility Description

**1. Identification of Applicant**

**a. Applicant's Name**

**b. Applicant's Address**

\_\_\_\_\_  
No. & Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

**2. Type of Project (check all that apply)**

**Facility**

**Program**

Outpatient

Clinic

IPRT

CDT

Day Treatment

PH

CPEP

Inpatient

General Hospital Unit

Psychiatric Hospital

RTF

Licensed Housing \* – Adults

Treatment

Congregate

Supportive

Apartment

SRO

Licensed Housing \* – Children & Adolescents

CR

Teaching Family Home

Family Based Treatment

Crisis Residence

Crisis Residence \* – Adults

*\*For projects not selected through the RFP process*

**3. Property Information**

**a. Address of Proposed Premises**

**b. Owner of Premises**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
No & Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

**c. Approximate Size of Property**

\_\_\_\_\_ Sq. Ft.

**d. Building Size:**

1. Number of Floors:

2. Total Sq. Ft. in Building: \_\_\_\_\_ Sq. Ft.

3. Identify Floors to be Used:

4. Amount of Space to be Used: \_\_\_\_\_ Sq. Ft.

**4. Zoning and Permitted Uses:**

**a. Is proposed use acceptable under current zoning?**

Yes  No

**b. If not, has change, variance or waiver been requested? (If received, attach documentation.)**

Yes  No

**5. Description of Neighborhood:**



<p><b>6. For Leased Property:</b></p> <p><b>a. Term of Lease Agreement:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Effective Date of Lease:</b> _____</p> <hr/> <p><b>b. Is Lease Renewable:</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p> <hr/> <p><b>c. Annual cost per Sq. Ft.</b></p> <p>\$ _____</p> <hr/> <p><b>d. Estimated Total Rental Cost per Year:</b></p> <p>\$ _____</p>	<p><b>e. Estimated Applicant's Cost for Capital Improvement \$</b> _____</p> <hr/> <p><b>f. Applicant's Method of Financing Capital Costs:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Included in Lease Agreement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant's Cash Investment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____</p> <hr/> <p><b>g. Attach Copy of Proposed Lease</b></p>
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**Section B – Capital Project**

<p><b>1. Type of Capital Project</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Construction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Substantial Renovation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alteration</p> <hr/> <p><b>3. State Aided Project</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Project financing will include request for an OMH capital grant pursuant to Article 41 of the Mental Hygiene Law.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if a Capital Construction Project Justification Form has been submitted to the OMH Field Office.</p>	<p><b>2. Proposed Project Timetable</b> <i>(complete applicable sub-sections)</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>MONTH/YEAR</b></p> <p><b>a. Preliminary Architectural Drawings</b> _____</p> <p><b>b. Final Architectural Drawings/Specifications</b> _____</p> <p><b>c. Bidding Documents</b> _____</p> <p><b>d. Bidding of Project</b> _____</p> <p><b>e. Awarding of Contracts</b> _____</p> <p><b>f. Commencement of Construction/Renovation</b> _____</p> <p><b>g. Completion of Construction/Renovation</b> _____</p> <p><b>h. Commencement of Program Operation</b> _____</p>
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**Section C – Attachments**

<p><b>1. Projects for construction or substantial renovation, must provide the following:</b></p> <p><b>a.</b> Architectural plans prepared by registered architect or professional engineer.</p> <p><b>b.</b> Analysis as to compliance with appropriate building and safety codes.</p> <p><b>c.</b> Proposed use of space showing sufficient and appropriate space to support requested program, capacity &amp; utilization.</p> <p><b>d.</b> For inpatient projects, submission of hardware specifications.</p>
<p><b>2. Projects for Alteration:</b></p> <p><b>a.</b> Description of the scope of alterations.</p> <p><b>b.</b> Architectural plans prepared by registered architect or professional engineer showing the room arrangement with the utilization of each room and space.</p> <p><b>c.</b> Analysis of proposed premises as to compliance with appropriate building and life safety codes. If applicable, submission of hardware specifications.</p>
<p><b>3. Projects for Acquisition of property valued at greater than \$600,000.</b></p> <p><b>a.</b> Proposed contract of sale.</p> <p><b>b.</b> Proposed use of space showing sufficient and appropriate space to support requested use, including program, capacity, and utilization.</p> <p><b>c.</b> Analysis as to compliance with appropriate building and safety codes.</p>

**4. Projects for Licensed Housing not selected through the OMH RFP process.**

- a. For programs proposed to house 4 to 14 residents, indicate whether the site selection process has been initiated pursuant to Section 41.34 of the Mental Hygiene Law.
- b. Submit the architectural feasibility study for the property if not previously submitted. The feasibility study maybe submitted for review prior to initiation of the site selection process.
- c. Submit requests for any waivers pursuant to 14 NYCRR 551.11.

**Section D – Additional Requirements Prior to Final Approval**

**1. Submit a written statement from your registered architect or professional engineer upon completion of the capital project indicating that all work has been completed in compliance with appropriate codes and in accordance with plans approved by the Office of Mental Health.**

**2. Submit a Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent document from the local buildings jurisdiction.**

**3. Complete a site visit by OMH Field Office staff at the conclusion of the project prior to occupancy of the building or initiation of the program.**

**Section I - Attachments for Ownership, Character, and Competence**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Home Address:</b>	<b>Business Address:</b>
<b>Occupation:</b>		
<b>Community and philanthropic experience:</b>		
<b>Previous association with human service facility within the last 10 years including positions held as employee, owner, or member of the board of directors:</b>		
<b>Explanation of conviction for any offense against the law (except traffic charges) and explanation of charges pending in any court:</b>		

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Home Address:</b>	<b>Business Address:</b>
<b>Occupation:</b>		
<b>Community and philanthropic experience:</b>		
<b>Previous association with human service facility within the last 10 years including positions held as employee, owner, or member of the board of directors:</b>		
<b>Explanation of conviction for any offense against the law (except traffic charges) and explanation of charges pending in any court:</b>		

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Home Address:</b>	<b>Business Address:</b>
<b>Occupation:</b>		
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