

<b>State of New York OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH</b>  <hr style="width: 20%; margin: auto;"/> <b>OMH OFFICIAL POLICY MANUAL</b>	<b>Date Issued</b> 12/20/82	<b>T. L.</b> 82-4	<b>Section #</b> A-450
	<b>Section</b> Administration - State Operated Psychiatric Facilities		
	<b>Directive</b> Naming Institution Buildings After Individuals		

A. Policy Statement

The policy of the Office of Mental Health is that no building, or part of a building, is to be named after any living individual who is employed by or affiliated with the Office of Mental Health or who holds any state or local elected office. Naming a building after an individual is an extremely high honor; only persons who have made an outstanding and substantial contribution to the field of mental health may be eponyms for institutional buildings.

Only the Commissioner of the Office of Mental Health may designate the name of a building or a part of a building at a facility operated by the Office of Mental Health. S/he may solicit such suggestions and comments as he deems necessary.

B. Relevant Statutes and Standards

Mental Hygiene Law, Section 7.09