Admission criteria

**1. Adults (>18yo) who require admission to a regular nursing floor, on a primary medical or surgical service,**

**and either:**

**a. Have a behavioral health diagnosis (including SUDs) that will or is likely to complicate medical**

**care, OR**

**b. Are experiencing delirium with behavioral disturbance.**

2. Examples of pa􀆟ent issues that may warrant admission to the MPU:

a. Overdose of prescribed or illicit drug or medica􀆟on

b. Complicated withdrawal from alcohol or other substances

c. Altered mental status (aka, delirium, encephalopathy) with behavioral disturbance

d. Risk for self‐harm due to impulsivity or suicidal idea􀆟on

e. Use of Clozaril and concern for side effects or drug interac􀆟ons

f. Serotonin syndrome or neurolep􀆟c malignant syndrome not requiring ICU‐level of care

g. Merits a psychiatric admission BUT requires medical clearance (medical stay >12 hours)

NOTE: Not all pa􀆟ents with the above condi􀆟ons must be admi􀆩ed to MPU. These pa􀆟ents can

be managed on regular nursing floors with psychiatric consult team following, if pa􀆟ent or team

are unwilling to have MPU placement.