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Validation of a Statistical Model for Behavioral Health Crisis Facility Efficiency

The Behavioral Health Crisis Facility faces long ED wait times, transfer delays, and staff safety risks, affecting patient care. A statistical model will analyze data from high-performing facilities to identify best practices and optimize patient flow and staff safety.

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(Images from Watts, Brett V., et al. (2017),

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Technical Performance Measures (TPMs)

- 1. Staff Injury Rate Tracks workplace safety.
- 2. Length of Stay (LOS) Measures patient flow efficiency.
- 3. Time from ED to Psychiatric Bed Assesses transfer delays.
- 4. Patients Transferred Within Target Time Evaluates process improvements.
- 5. Patient Elopement Rate Identifies security concerns.

Validation Plan

- 1. Gather & Review Data Collect hospital records and compare with industry benchmarks.
- 2. Measure Current Performance Identify past problems and inefficiencies.
- 3. Adjust the Model Apply successful strategies from high-performing hospitals.
- 4. Test Different Scenarios Simulate workflow changes to predict outcomes.
- 5. Check Accuracy Compare model predictions with real hospital data.
- 6. Track & Improve Keep monitoring results and fine-tune the model if errors exceed 10%.

Conclusion

This model will streamline patient flow, reduce injuries, and improve crisis care efficiency, creating a safer and more effective system.

