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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT AT ST. LUKE'S WARREN WILL CLOSE

PHILLIPSBURG, NJ; 11/21/2014—Effective December 1, 2014, St. Luke's Warren Hospital will no longer accept patients for voluntary admission to its Inpatient Behavioral Health Unit (BHU). Any patients in the BHU as of this date will continue to receive appropriate care until they can be discharged home or to a more appropriate setting. At the point when all patients have been discharged, our unit will close permanently.

The Emergency Department (ED) at St. Luke's Warren Hospital will continue to treat patients with behavioral health-related conditions. As in the past, almost all patients with behavioral health issues who come to Warren's ED will be treated and referred to the appropriate level of outpatient or community-based care to meet their needs, and this process will continue.

Patients who come to Warren's ED after December 1, 2014 and are determined to require inpatient care will be stabilized and monitored while we arrange for their transportation to an appropriate inpatient facility in New Jersey or in a St. Luke's Pennsylvania-based hospital.

St. Luke's Warren Hospital has appointed a Behavioral Health System Navigator, Jim Seng, to assist patients and their families with the coordination of in- and out-patient behavioral health care. Mr. Seng can be reached at 908-859-6801 or via email at James.Seng@sluhn.org.

Click for a list of Frequently Asked Questions about St. Luke's [**Warren Behavioral Health Unit closure**](#).