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#### **Overview of the Records**

**Repository:** New York State Archives

**Summary:** This series consists of microfilmed copies of paper printouts of

the results of the Patient Characteristics Survey. The survey was conducted to find out the characteristics of patients served by the state and local mental health system, the number of individuals eligible for funding, and characteristics of each

facility/unit.

Creator: New York (State). Office of Mental Health. Bureau of Planning

and Evaluation Research

**Title:** Office of Mental Health Bureau of Planning and Evaluation

Research survey of patient characteristics data files

Quantity: 1 cubic foot

**Quantity:** 71 16mm microfilm roll(s)

Inclusive Date: 1981-1985

**Series:** 14230

# **Arrangement**

These records are organized into seven sets of data that include the following: Summary Volumes which total both state and local numbers for individuals; program type (residential and non-residential) for both state and local programs; target groups (children, adult, elderly, forensic) in all programs; ethnic groups for all program; counties providing service to clients and service to residents of home county and other counties.

Each of these data sets are broken down into subsets based on age; county of patients' residence; county of facility; males and females; state and local facilities and other similar categories.

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## **Scope and Content Note**

This series consists of microfilmed copies of paper printouts of the results of the Patient Characteristics Survey which was conducted by the Office of Mental Health to obtain data on patients. The goal of this survey was to find out the characteristics of patients served by the State and local mental health system, the number of individuals eligible for major types of public funding for mental health services as well as the volume of service these individuals utilize and the characteristics of each facility/unit. Information obtained by the survey allowed linkage with other statewide data assembled by the Office of Mental Health to assist in planning, budgeting, and statistical reporting for the volumes of services provided for major target populations (children, adults, geriatric, forensic), ethnic groups, and for patients with particular mental disorders

Data for the survey was collected from state and local facility inpatient data from the ongoing information system and from facilities/units who filled out specific forms. The microfilm includes the following categories of information for each survey year: A) Background Material used to develop the survey for each year; B) Tables that were run each year; C) Special Runs for specific requests during the year and D) corrections that were made because the original filming proved poor or incomplete.

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#### **Related Information**

#### **Related Material**

B2453 Professional Papers of Annette R. Brown contains related records.

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#### **Use of Records**

#### **Access Restrictions**

Series is partially restricted in accordance with Mental Hygiene Law, Section 33.13, relating to confidentiality of clinical records. Access to restricted material is permitted under certain conditions upon approval by the Office of Mental Health.

### **Access Terms**

- Mental health surveys
- Quantity surveys
- Surveying
- New York (State)
- New York (State). Office of Mental Health. Office of Planning and Program Evaluation
- New York (State). Department of Mental Hygiene