



New York State Archives

Manhattan State Hospital Patient Indexes B2405

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	Early indexes in this series include name of patient, book and page number of case record, date of admission, ward number, discharge date (sometimes with notes), and names and address of relatives or friends. Later indexes additionally give patient consecutive number, transfer information, and date of death if patient died while hospitalized.
Creator:	Manhattan State Hospital
Title:	Manhattan State Hospital patient indexes
Quantity:	9 cubic feet
Quantity:	22 volumes
Inclusive Date:	1840-1970
Series:	B2405

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Arrangement

Roughly chronological and then roughly alphabetical.

B2405-21: Alphabetical.

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Administrative History

At various times, New York City's Insane Asylums included the asylums on Blackwell's, Hart, Randall's and Ward's Islands; and Central Islip. The Asylum for the Insane on Ward's Island, with branches on Ward's and Randall's Islands, were for men. The Lunatic Asylum of Blackwell's and Hard Islands were for women. On February 28, 1896, the New York City Asylum became Manhattan State Hospital. After 1896, it served the counties of New York and Richmond.

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Scope and Content Note

Index information changes over time and dates for some volumes overlap. Early indexes include name of patient, book and page number of case record, date of admission, ward number, discharge date (sometimes with notes), and names and address of relatives or friends. Number of previous attacks, duration of attacks, and number previous admissions are sometimes given. Later indexes additionally give patient consecutive number, transfer information, and date of death if patient died while hospitalized.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Access Terms

- Registers (Lists)
- Psychiatric hospital care
- New York (State)
- Mental health facilities
- Registering patients
- Maintaining indexes
- Mentally ill--Care
- Psychiatric records--New York (State)
- Documenting mentally ill patients
- Indexes (reference sources)
- Psychiatric hospital patients
- New York (State). Office of Mental Health
- New York (State). Department of Mental Hygiene