

**Update from previous LTBH Committee discussion:**

A final item concerns something that was not discussed by the Committee this year. Session Law 2015-241 Section 12F (d) and (e) required DHHS to develop a plan to use a portion (no more than 25 million dollars) of the funds from the sale of the Dorothea Dix property to produce up to 150 new behavioral inpatient beds. The plan was finalized last year and as a result, in 2016, the SHCC voted to include beds approved for development in the appropriate inventories. Of note, these beds do not require a certificate of need.

The beds have finally been awarded and I would like to share with you an update. On May 31, 2017, the General Assembly awarded Duke Life Point Maria Parham Medical Center approximately \$10 million to develop 33 licensed psychiatric inpatient beds for adults at the site of the closed Franklin Regional Medical Center. Also, Charles A. Cannon, Jr. Memorial Hospital in Avery County was awarded approximately \$6.5 million to develop 27 licensed psychiatric inpatient beds for adults.

Once the information is finalized, placeholders for the new beds to be developed will be included in the planning inventory in Chapter 15 (in Table 15A). Because some of the beds will be converted from acute care beds to psychiatric beds, placeholders will also be included in Chapter 5 (in Table 5A), as appropriate.