



Discharge by Arrest

- Departure from the ED in police custody
- Perceived as relatively uncommon
- Used when patient's behavior escalates beyond ED's capacity



Discharge Without Support

- Also known as "streeting"
- Perceived as relatively uncommon
- Discharged to the community without outpatient support



Discharge With Support

- Symptoms have abated; return to community is reasonable and safe
- Appropriate follow-up and outpatient support have been secured

1 in 5 ED patients with schizophrenia or mood disorders were discharged with support in 2015



Boarding

- Bed waits of days, weeks or months in the ED
- No appropriate placement is available

29 of 46 Responding states reported ED boarding in 2015
90% of ED physicians report boarding psychiatric patients



Hospital Admission

- Admission to same hospital or elsewhere in the community

38% of psychiatric ED patients admitted to the same hospital in 2015

Patients admitted to short-term-beds in another community hospital **8%**

5.8% Patients admitted to non-psychiatric "scatter" beds

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