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## State of NH to Hold Virtual Information Session on January 31 Regarding Proposed Forensic Psychiatric Hospital Adjacent to NH Hospital

**Concord, NH** – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and New Hampshire Hospital officials will hold the second in a series of information session to provide updates on the proposal to build a secure forensic hospital adjacent to New Hampshire Hospital.

Construction of a forensic psychiatric hospital adjacent to New Hampshire Hospital will create a setting that will allow for skilled psychiatric treatment in a safe, secure, and therapeutic environment for forensic patients.

State leadership will provide an update on progress since the first information session in October 2021, review next steps for the project, and take questions from the public. This will be the second public meeting on the project, and the State intends to hold additional meetings as the project advances.

The virtual meeting will be held on Monday, January 31, beginning at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held on Zoom and can be accessed at <u>Forensic Psychiatric Hospital Virtual</u> <u>Public Meeting</u>. Members of the public will be invited to submit questions and comments during the meeting.

For more information on the proposed forensic hospital, please visit <u>https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/nhh/forensic-hospital-sessions.htm</u>.

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