



NARPA 2021 Supplementary Materials

Advocating for Institutionalized People during COVID: The Massachusetts Experience
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I. Discharge of People from Congregate Settings During COVID

A. Federal Standards

SAMHSA, Considerations for the Care and Treatment of Mental and Substance Use Disorders in the COVID-19 Epidemic (rev. May 7, 2020).

[Considerations for the Care and Treatment of Mental and Substance Use Disorders in the COVID-19 Epidemic \(samhsa.gov\)](#)

Federal Guidance on Juvenile Justice Facilities:

[OJJDP Guidance for Juvenile Justice Facilities During COVID-19 Pandemic \(ojp.gov\)](#)

B. Massachusetts

CPCS v. Chief Justice of the Trial Court, ordering presumptive release of non-violent people being held pre-trial or for probation violations [download \(mass.gov\)](#)

Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee Litigation materials against Massachusetts Department of Mental Health (see NARPA website)

Letter from Massachusetts Advocates re COVID at Psychiatric Facilities in Massachusetts.

[Microsoft Word - DLC MHLAC LSH Letter 4.16.20 \(dlc-ma.org\)](#)

Foster v. Commissioner of Department of Corrections, begin reading at p. 724

[FOSTER vs. COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTION \(No. 1\), 484 Mass. 698 \(masscases.com\)](#)

II. Triage

Everything you ever wanted to know about medical rationing and visitation policies on the basis of disability, [COVID-19 Medical Rationing & Facility Visitation Policies – Center for Public Representation](#)

Letter from Center for Public Representation and other disability organizations to Governor Charles Baker outlining specific recommendations to avoid discrimination on the basis of disability in hospital triage decisions: [3.26.20.ltr .rationing.of .care .pdf \(centerforpublicrep.org\)](#)

Recommendations and Guidance Relating to Triage for People with Disabilities During a Pandemic

[Guidance-to-States-Hospitals FINAL.pdf \(centerforpublicrep.org\)](#)