

# CRC

## Purpose, Vision and Mission

As a single point of access for Orange County, the CRC provides assessments, education and referrals for individuals in a mental health and/or substance abuse crisis. The program focuses on an individual's privacy, while protecting their quality of life and public safety.



## Benefits of CRC

- Timely drop-off process. On average, law enforcement can complete the drop-off process for an individual within 7-12 minutes, which is significantly less than a hospital's emergency room.
- Individuals facing a crisis are received by trained professionals.
- Under Florida law, the CRC is a secure facility and firearms are not permitted.

## Training Opportunities

Training opportunities are available for law enforcement officers who would like to better understand how the CRC works as well as the Baker and Marchman Acts.

## Partnership

The Belvin Perry, Jr. Central Receiving Center is operated by Aspire Healthcare Partners, with support from the Orange County Health Services Department.

## Crisis

If you are in crisis, or know someone who is, please contact Aspire Health Partners at

**407-822-5052**

For information regarding services in Brevard, Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties, visit [www.aspirehealthpartners.com](http://www.aspirehealthpartners.com).

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The Belvin Perry, Jr. Central Receiving Center is located in Aspire Health Partners Princeton Plaza

1800 Mercy Drive, Orlando, FL 32808

For general intake information, call 407-822-5052.



## Belvin Perry, Jr. Central Receiving Center

### Access to Behavioral Health Emergency System of Care

The Belvin Perry, Jr. Central Receiving Center (CRC) is the primary receiving facility for the assessment and referral of adults suffering from a behavioral health, mental health or substance abuse crisis. The CRC was designed for use by law enforcement as the single point of access into the behavioral health system of care.





Retired Ninth Judicial Circuit Chief Judge Belvin Perry, Jr.

## History

Since opening in April 2003, the Central Receiving Center has become a critical resource in Orange County and the regional behavioral health system of care. The CRC is recognized throughout the state of Florida, and the nation, as a model for other communities to replicate, serving an average of more than 500 individuals a month.

In 2016, the CRC was officially dedicated as the Belvin Perry, Jr. Central Receiving Center to honor Chief Judge Perry, who retired from Florida's Ninth Judicial Circuit in 2014. He spent his career speaking out for the most vulnerable in the Central Florida community, especially those struggling with mental illness. As a founding member of the CRC Board, he remains a great advocate for the CRC System of Care.

## Medical Exclusionary Criteria

- Unmanageable or uncontrolled hypertension
- Unmanageable or uncontrolled diabetes
- Severe infections requiring close medical management or conditions requiring isolation
- Conditions requiring intravenous fluid and/or oxygen
- Conditions requiring specialized treatment such as renal dialysis or chemotherapy
- Acute alcohol intoxication that renders a person unable to stand or be responsive
- Medication overdose
- Complaints of chest pain
- Bleeding
- Broken bones

## Guiding Principles

- Divert individuals with mental health and/or substance abuse disorders from the criminal justice system.
- Provide a single point of access for law enforcement.
- De-stigmatize individuals with mental health and/or substance abuse disorders.
- Reduce inappropriate use of hospital emergency departments.
- Monitor needs of those who are continuously affected and measure outcomes of CRC intervention.
- Use existing resources efficiently and effectively.

## Criteria for Admission

- Individuals must be at least 18 years of age for admittance.
- Involuntary need of treatment under the Baker or Marchman Acts, including those individuals experiencing a mental health and/or substance abuse crisis, who are in danger of hurting themselves or others.
- Individuals experiencing a mental health and/or substance abuse crisis who are willing to be transported voluntarily by law enforcement for an assessment.
- Children and adolescents, under 18, who are in need of an assessment for substance abuse or a mental health disorder, may be referred to the Children's Crisis Stabilization Unit/Juvenile Addictions Receiving Facility at Aspire Health Partners, 434 W. Kennedy Blvd., Orlando, FL 32810.

