

ARTICLE SUMMARY:
Making Decisions about Sexual Rights in Psychiatric Facilities
By Dobal & Torkelson
Archives of Psychiatric Nursing, 2004

- Looked at staff perceptions of sexual activity within psych facilities as well as prevalence of policies and sex ed programs at facilities
- Mailed out questionnaires to 423 sites nationwide.
- The size of the facilities ranged from 7 to 500 beds, (M=69, SD=91)
- Had a return rate of only 26% (112 returned out of 423)
- Only 57 of the facilities had a policy regarding resident sexual behavior(60%)
- 84 facilities (83%) had sex ed programs for their adult pts

ARTICLE SUMMARY:
State Hospitals' Responses to the Sexual Behavior of Psychiatric Inpatients
by Buckley & Hyde
Psychiatric Services, March 1997

- Sent out questionnaires to directors of 86 state facilities (OH, NC, SC, NJ, NY, PA, SD, TN, TX, WA), all with predominantly long-stay pts with psychotic symptoms.
- 57 questionnaires returned (response rate 66%)
- 83% (47 out of 57 responders) said they had a formal policy
- 88% reported that sex activity among pts was a problem, 26% said the problem was significant and persistent, 62% said the problem was infrequent.
- 75% of the hospitals had a sex ed program of some type

ARTICLE SUMMARY:
Sexual Behavior of Psychiatric Inpts; Hospital Responses & Policy Formulation
Buckley & Wiechers
Community Mental Health Journal, 12/99

- Sent out questionnaires to all private licensed facilities w/in Ohio
- Response rate of 56.6%
- 25% of the private facilities had a policy
- 3.6 % thought the issue was an on-going problem