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CN Guidance to open Community Crisis Centre in December

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The centre will have nursing staff available around the clock to offer clinically appropriate alternatives to hospital emergency departments. Credit: ANDREI ASKIRKA / Shutterstock.com.

CN Guidance & Counseling Services is set to open its Community Crisis Center in Hicksville, New York, US, this December, offering substance use crisis stabilisation and round-the-clock mental health services.

Situated in a central location, the facility will serve families, adults and children and offers walk-in access for individuals.

The services provided will encompass medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders, medication management, monitoring of health status,

psychiatric evaluation and planning, screening and assessment, outpatient detoxification, as well as plans related to discharge and aftercare coordination.

The centre will have nursing staff available around the clock to offer clinically appropriate alternatives to hospital emergency departments.

Peer staff with personal recovery experience will provide individualised, recovery-focused support.

Additionally, the Community Crisis Center will provide emergency observation, assessment, and stabilisation in a non-hospital environment for adults and children aged five and older.

CN Guidance CEO Jeffrey Friedman said: "Launching the Community Crisis Center is bringing a new kind of innovative urgent care to Long Island.

"Through this landmark facility, individuals in crisis will have a dedicated place to go, any time of day or night, where they can receive immediate care and avoid unnecessary hospital visits. This centre stands as a place where people are met with kindness and compassion and given the tools to find hope, healing and stability."

The crisis centre will officially begin operations on 6 December.

Situated alongside CN Guidance's Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic, the facility has received support from the New York State Office of Mental Health and Nassau County.

It aims to bridge the gap between emergency departments and community-based care.

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