

SDMI Definition
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Severe disabling mental illness means with respect to a person who is 18 or more years of age that the person meets the requirements of (a), (b), (c) or (d). **The person must also meet the requirements of (e).** The person:

(a) has been involuntarily hospitalized for at least 30 consecutive days because of a mental disorder at Montana State Hospital at least once;

(b) has recurrent thoughts of death, recurrent suicidal ideation, or a suicide attempt, or a specific plan for committing suicide;

(c) has a DSM-IV-TR diagnosis of:

(i) schizophrenic disorder (295.xx);

(ii) other psychotic disorder (293.81, 293.82, 295.40, 295.70, 297.1, 297.3, 298.9);

(iii) mood disorder (293.83, 296.22, 296.23, 296.24, 296.32, 296.33, 296.34, 296.40, 296.42, 296.43, 296.44, 296.52, 296.53, 296.54, 296.62, 296.63, 296.64, 296.7, 296.80, 296.89);

(iv) amnestic disorder (294.0, 294.8);

(v) disorder due to a general medical condition (310.1);

(vi) pervasive developmental disorder not otherwise specified (299.80) when not accompanied by mental retardation;

(vii) anxiety disorder (300.01, 300.21, 300.3); or

(viii) posttraumatic stress disorder (309.81);

(d) has a DSM-IV-TR diagnosis of personality disorder (301.00, 301.20, 301.22, 301.4, 301.50, 301.6, 301.81, 301.82, 301.83, or 301.90) which causes the person to be unable to work competitively on a full-time basis or to be unable to maintain a residence without assistance and support by family or a public agency for a period of at least six months or is obviously predictable to continue for a period of at least six months; **and**

(e) has ongoing functioning difficulties because of the mental illness for a period of at least six months or for an obviously predictable period over six months, as indicated by at least **two** of the following:

(i) a medical professional with prescriptive authority has determined that medication is necessary to control the symptoms of mental illness;

(ii) the person is unable to work in a full-time competitive situation because of mental illness;

(iii) the person has been determined to be disabled due to mental illness by the social security administration; or

(iv) the person maintains a living arrangement only with ongoing supervision, is homeless, or is at imminent risk of homelessness due to mental illness; or

(v) the person has had or will predictably have repeated episodes of decompensation.