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A New Chapter For Whiting Forensic, Connecticut's Maximum Security Unit

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This hour: following reports of abuse by staff at Connecticut's maximum-security psychiatric unit -- news of [an order separating Whiting Forensic from Connecticut Valley Hospital](#).

Coming up, we discuss the significance of the split -- including what it means for the safety and oversight of patients.

Plus: deserted at the ER.

What happens when a [21-year-old autistic man is left to the supervision of a local hospital](#)? We take a closer look.

GUESTS:

- [Dr. Miriam Delphin-Rittmon](#) - Commissioner of the Connecticut [Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services](#)
- [Sen. Heather Somers](#) - Republican from Groton and co-chair of the legislature's [Public Health Committee](#)
- [Dr. Karen Kangas](#) - Recovery advocate and co-conservator for William Shehadi
- [Nancy Alisberg](#) - Legal Director of [Disability Rights Connecticut](#)

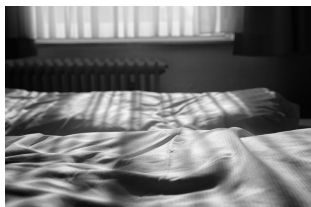
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