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*Introduction*

Long-term care facilities refers to institutions such as skilled nursing facilities or nursing institutions that extend healthcare services to a wide range of people especially those who are not able to manage themselves independently within the community (Evashwick, 2005). This analysis discusses the *Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, a long-term care facility located in Dallas.

*Description of the facility*

The *Dallas Center of Rehabilitation* is a new health care facility whose goal is to create an appropriate environment for physical healing and rehabilitation. The facility is located close to other major medical centers that provide licensed and quality health care to individuals seeking long-term care as well as those recovering from different injuries and illnesses. The *Dallas Center of Rehabilitation* relies on a team approach to ensure that all physicians, social workers, medical case managers, licensed therapists, and registered nurses are able to work together to provide people with the right services and care that they deserve. In addition, all the staff working in this facility are guided by the believe that quality healthcare can be achieved easily if different personnel involved in extending healthcare services are willing to work together and offer assistance to one another where necessary (*The Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, 2009).

For individuals who seek rehabilitative or short-term services, the staffs ensures that such individuals are able to experience the most appropriate outcome to enable them return to their homes or places of work within a short time. While offering short-term care services, the nursing team is free to ask for any support from the licensed therapists who are mainly involved in providing occupational, speech, and physical therapies to patients from major illnesses such as stroke, surgery, disabilities, injuries, and orthopedic conditions. It should be understood that this group of healthcare experts work very closely to develop individualized care that conforms to the specific needs of the patient (*The Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, 2009).

For those in need of long-term care, the centre has developed good measures that make it easier for the medical professionals to extend highest quality of life to those people by allowing them to participate in a wide range of social events and daily activities. The long-term care units offer full time nursing care to cater for the chronically ill patients or those who take a lot of time to recover from a given injury or illness. Patients admitted in these units are also provided with private accommodations with individual televisions, private lounges, and beautiful common areas. The existence of a vacation care makes it easy for family members to take a break from their daily demands of taking care for their loved ones (*The Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, 2009).

*Type of population being served*

The type of population that benefits from the services provided by the *Dallas Center of Rehabilitation* include includes people who require different forms of rehabilitation such as Comprehensive Rehabilitation, Orthopedic Rehabilitation, Neurological Rehabilitation, and other complex medical needs. To enhance improved service delivery to these particular groups, the center has developed an express recovery unit that offers innovative concepts within post acute care. The establishment of this unit is also used to bridge the gap that exists between the care offered at medical institutions and that offered at homes (*The Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, 2009).

It is also important to understand that the Express Recovery unit within this new facility provides inpatient treatment and care to all people who complain of acute injury, exacerbation of a given disease process, illness, and those with recovery prognosis that allows for the provision of reduced level of care. The ability of the *Dallas Center of Rehabilitation* to remain in the forefront is supported by the fact that the facility has a distinct and separate environment that plays a great role in different areas especially in promoting recovery and wellness amongst patients. Most of the rooms for housing patients are also equipped with high quality furnishings, comforts, and equipments geared in enhancing all the recovery processes (*The Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, 2009).

*Community or facility need for the building*

The significance or need to build this facility is explained by the numerous benefits that different people are able to enjoy after enjoying the services provided through the facility. For the case of the *Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, the facility has offered a lot of healthcare services not only to the people within Dallas Texas, but has also enabled people from other areas to make use of the services provided by facility. The need to build this facility was also meant to help or sensitize family members on the importance of coordinating healthcare services before seeking assistance from the medical institutions. This helps to prevent families from incurring unnecessary medical costs while maintaining good health.

*Conclusion*

Conclusively, it is evident that a number of health issues that affect different people were put into consideration before the establishment of this facility. As Acello (2005) explains, this helps to determine the most appropriate equipments to be included in the facility. As part of improving the efficiency of the *Dallas Center of Rehabilitation*, the facility manager keeps frequent communication with other medical professionals to help in assessing, planning, coordinating, monitoring, and evaluating different activities that are aimed at enhancing or improving both human and health service needs.

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