## **Emergencies in Summit County**

All mental health holds are transported to the ER...either by smart team or ambulance or law enforcement. They are then placed in a safe room & changed into safe scrubs. Urine drug screen and breathalyzer are completed to ensure they are sober enough for a mental health crisis evaluation. Once they are medically cleared and screenings completed they are placed in the queue for the eval. That is done via telehealth. The telehealth evaluator determines if the person needs to be placed in a mental health facility or if they can contract for a safety plan. If they have determined the patient needs placement at a mental health facility, they start presenting the case to all the facilities around the state to find placement. Sometimes it goes quickly, and sometimes it takes days to find placement. We have no inpatient psychiatric facilities in Summit county. The closest are in the front range. Eagle is building one...maybe opening in 2025?