



### Lawnwood Behavioral Zoning Question Responses

1. Lawnwood Behavioral hospital is the only behavioral hospital in Fort Pierce. This facility has needs that no other facilities in the city require. Lawnwood as a healthcare facility is required by the "Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act" (HIPAA) to protect the confidentiality of every patient we treat.
2. The control of the movement and safety of each and every patient that enters this facility is a concern and duty to our scope of services. Patients in this building are classified as "elopement risk". This 10' fence/wall gives the patients and the public this added security and protection.
3. This question is answered in many formats by the prior questions. We would not be exercising the patients' rights to privacy and protection should a shorter wall be built. Additionally there would be a greater risk to the community as patients in this unit by definition are a "danger to themselves or others". As a result a lower wall will increase the likelihood of elopements.
4. What is being requested is the minimum. And this design matches the existing concrete wall that has been in place since the 1980s. There is an athletic field adjacent to this property.
5. As like the county jail or local prison the higher barrier is in place to protect the occupants and the public. We do at times get patients from these outside institutions addition to the Baker Acted patients that are legally being held.