

Georgia Association of Community Service Boards

Georgia House Health & Human Services Committee
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What is the GACSB?



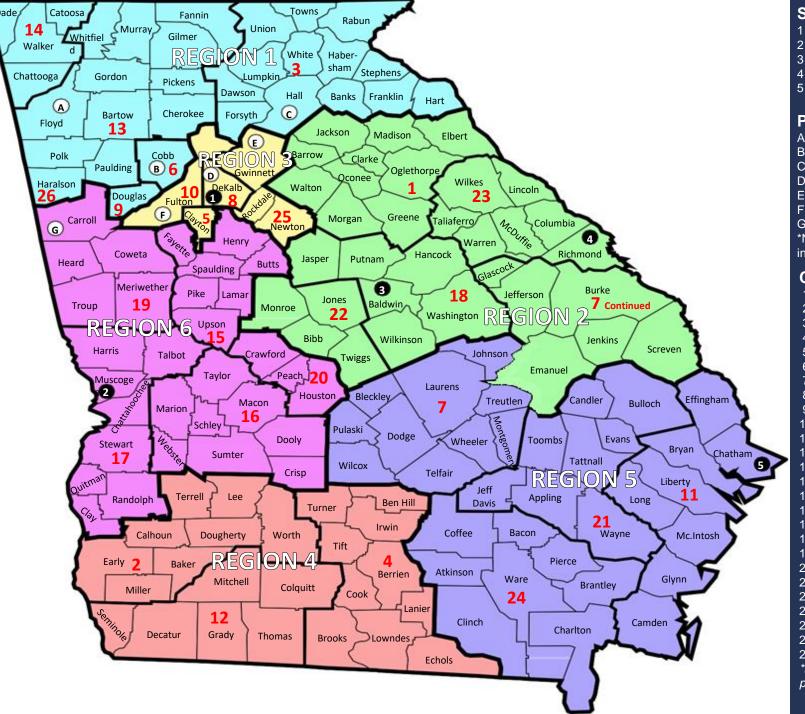
- Representing Georgia's CSBs as the Public Safety Net
- 26 Independent Providers Organizations
 - 24 Community Service Boards
 - Haralson Behavioral Health
 - Fulton Behavioral Health
- Located in 6 Regions designated by the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD)
- Map Resource: http://www.gacsb.org/members/find-a-provider/



What is a Community Service Board?

- Part of Georgia's public system of care for behavioral health
- Georgia's public "safety net" for behavioral health
- Instrumentalities of the State
- Boards are appointed by the County Commission





State Psychiatric Hospitals (numbers in dark circles)

- 1 Georgia Regional Hospital Atlanta
- 2 West Central Georgia Regional Hospital Columbus
- 3 Central State Hospital (Forensics) Milledgeville
- 4 East Central Regional Hospital Augusta
- 5 Georgia Regional Hospital Savannah

Private Psychiatric Hospitals (letters in white circles)

- A Floyd Medical Center Rome
- B Wellstar Cobb Hospital Austell
- C Laurelwood Gainesville
- D Peachford Hospital Dunwoodv
- E Summitridge Lawrenceville
- F Anchor Hospital Atlanta
- G Willowbrook at Tanner Carrollton

*NOTE: These hospitals have been contracted by DBHDD to receive individuals from counties in Region 1.

Community Service Board Areas (red numbers)

- 1 Advantage Behavioral Health Systems
- 2 Aspire Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities
- 3 Avita Community Partners
- 4 Legacy Behavioral Health Services
- 5 Clayton Center Community Service Board
- 6 Cobb Community Service Board
- 7 Community Service Board of Middle Georgia
- 8 DeKalb Community Service Board
- 9 Douglas Community Service Board
- 10 Fulton County Department of Health
- 11 Gateway Behavioral Health Services
- 12 Georgia Pines Community Service Board
- 13 Highland Rivers Health
- 14 Lookout Mountain Community Services
- 15 McIntosh Trail Community Service Board
- 16 Middle Flint Behavioral HealthCare
- 17 New Horizons Behavioral Health
- 18 Oconee Center Community Service Board
- 19 Pathways Center for Behavioral & Developmental Growth
- 20 Phoenix Center Community Service Board
- 21 Pineland BH & DD
- 22 River Edge Behavioral Health
- 23 Serenity Behavioral Health Systems
- 24 Unison Behavioral Health
- 25 View Point Health
- 26 Associate Member: Haralson Behavioral Health

Numbered service areas are for identification purposes only.



House Bill 100 (1994)

- House Bill 100 in 1994 transformed the Community Mental Health Program operations in Georgia
 - Community Mental Health Centers

 Community Service Boards.
 - Declared CSBs to be governed by local Boards and be funded through contracts with the state of Georgia.
 - Made CSBs the public providers for mental health, developmental disabilities, and addictive disease services.
 - Authorized CSBs to provide health, recovery, housing, and/or other supportive services.



Governance

- Governed by a Community Board
 - Appointed by the County Commissioner of each county in an individual CSBs coverage area.
- Board hires CEO to manage CSB
- Contractual agreements with the State and other entities provide the majority of CSB funding.



Who does the CSB serve?

- Children, Youth, and Young Adults
 - Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED)
 - Other Mental Illnesses
 - Substance Use Disorders
 - Autism Spectrum Disorders (ages 0-20)
- Adults
 - Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI): Schizophrenia, Major Depression, Bipolar Disorder
 - Other Mental Illnesses
 - Substance Use Disorders
 - DOJ Settlement/Deaf or English secondary language
 - Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities

Where would you want your loved one to live?







Community is where services are delivered!

- Clinics/Day Programs
- Schools
 - Georgia APEX
- Workplace
- Emergency Rooms
- Medical Offices
- Homeless Centers

- Day Reporting Centers
- Probation Offices
- Court Houses
- Clients' Homes
- Under Bridges/ in Tent Cities



Primary Partners in the Community

- Sheriffs' Offices
- Local ERs & Hospitals
- Probate & other Judges
- Day Reporting Centers
- Homeless Coalitions
- County Commissions
- Voc-Rehab Landlords

- Police Depts.
- FQHCs
- Jails
- Probation Officers
- Regional Development
- Faith Communities

- Employers
- Labor Department
- Voc-Rehab Landlords



Who Provides the Services?

- Psychiatrists and Nurses
- Licensed Therapists
- Peer Specialists
- BCBA / BCaBA
- Para-professional staff



Service Deliver Continuum of Care

High Cost

- **Crisis Intervention**
- **SA Intensive Outpatient Program**
- Intensive Residential Women's Services
- **Assertive Community Treatment**
- **Psychosocial Rehabilitation**
 - **Peer Support**
 - **Peer Recovery**
- Supportive Employment
- **Psychiatric Evaluation**
- Nursing/BH Assessment

- **Crisis Stabilization Unit**
- **Mobile Crisis in Emergency**

Mobile Crisis in Community

- Rooms
- Semi-independent Housing
- **Shelter Plus Care Residential for**
- Homeless Forensics Day Housing and Treatment
- **Community Support Team**
- **Homeless Services**
- Assessment and Therapy in Corrections and Judicial
- **Community Support Individual**
- **HIV support & education**
- **Traditional Outpatient Therapy** (Individual, Family, Group)
- **Pharmacy and Medication Maintenance**
- **Transportation**





Coordination with Community Resources

family services housing, behavioral transportation therapy & counseling clinical & financial case services management legal services

child care services intake processing, assessment treatment plan pharmacotherapy crisis services

HIV/AIDS

services

educational services

substance

use

monitoring

self help,

peer support

vocational services

mental health services

medical services

Provide Coordination and Linkage to Comprehensive Treatment, Recovery and Supportive Services



Behavioral Health Crisis Centers (BHCCs)

- Combines short-term, 24/7, walk-in crisis intervention and counseling services with emergency receiving capability and crisis stabilization beds.
- Individuals who are experiencing behavioral health crises are provided assessment, short-term crisis counseling, supportive services and referrals for ongoing care.
- Staffing includes physicians, nurses, licensed clinicians and other behavioral health professionals to provide interventions designed to de-escalate crisis situations and prevent out-of-community treatment or hospitalization.
- If individuals need a higher level of care, the attached CSU allows for admissions for short-term residential treatment.



Crisis Stabilization Units(CSUs)

- 24 hour units providing stabilization to those experiencing Mental Health crises or needing detoxification from substances.
- The program provides medically monitored residential services for the purpose of providing psychiatric stabilization and substance withdrawal management services on a short-term basis
- Can take individuals who are involuntarily committed.



Wrap-Around Services

- Residential Services and Supports
- Homeless Services
- Supported Employment Services
- Specialty Court Services
- Transportation

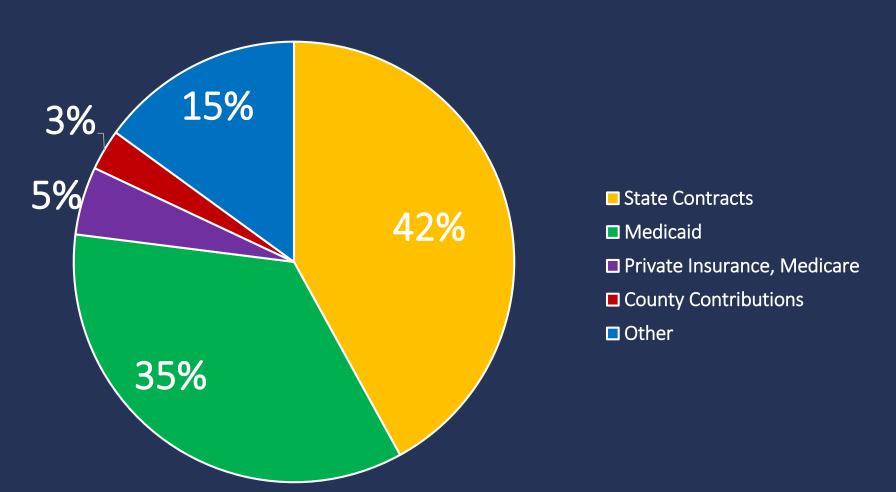


By the Numbers

Diagnosis Cat/Age Group	Number of Persons Served
IDD Adults	5,321
MH and SUD C&A	29,164
MH and SUD Adults	144,885



How are CSBs funded?





Our Hope?

- Create complimentary treatment systems; Avoid creating parallel treatment systems.
- Capitalize on evidence based treatment systems practiced within CSBs.



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