

Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities & HealthChoices Programs



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MISSION

The Mission of the Berks County Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Program (MH/DD) is to provide quality care as well as the delivery of efficient public services and supports for individuals with mental illness and developmental disabilities so they can increase their opportunities and abilities to lead lives of dignity and independence. Acknowledging that recovery is an ongoing process, MH/DD is committed to promoting personal growth, choice, and inclusion of consumers in their community.



HIGHLIGHTS

Mental Health consumers served **8,336**

Developmental Disabilities consumers served **509**

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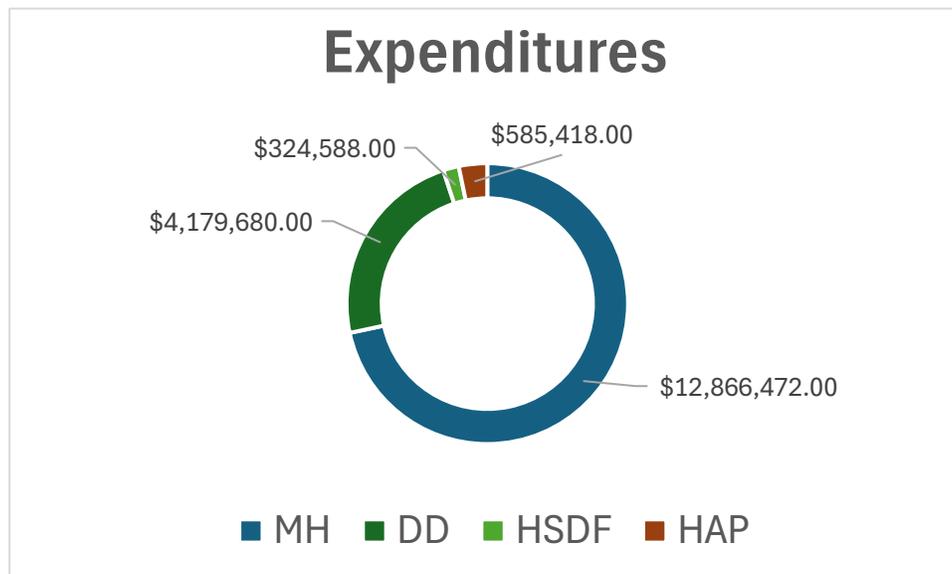
Consolidated **579**

PFDSW **453**

CLW **335**

Human Services Development Fund (HSDF) **781**

Homeless Assistance Program (HAP) **1189**



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MENTAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

A wide range of services are available to meet the mental health and/or intellectual and developmental disability needs of Berks County residents.

People with mental illness can best achieve positive change and recovery when treatment and supportive services are guided by each person’s goals, preferences, strengths and needs. Involvement of family is encouraged.

Services are delivered by local provider agencies under contract with the county. They are designed to be accessible, responsive, culturally appropriate and cost effective.

MH Expenditures by Cost Center	FY24-25
Administration	\$ 1,229,828
Administrative Management	\$ 615,330
Community Residential Services	\$ 4,436,624
Crisis/Emergency Services	\$ 1,893,523
Housing Support	\$ 1,264,943
Targeted Case Management	\$ 646,050
Community Services	\$ 1,059,080
Transitional & Community Integration Services	\$ 385,210
Psychiatric Inpatient Hospitalization	\$ 637,526
Rehabilitation Services	\$ 508,324
Other	\$ 190,034
Total Expenditures	\$ 12,866,472



MENTAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Although "people with disabilities" sometimes refers to a single population, this is a diverse group of people with a wide range of needs. Two people with the same type of disability can be affected in very different ways. Some disabilities may be hidden or not easy to see.



Children's Evidence-Based Practices	\$	-
Community Employment	\$	76,818
Community Treatment Teams	\$	1,794
Day Treatment	\$	30,911
Family Based Services	\$	11,069
Family Support Services	\$	133
Outpatient	\$	21,093
Peer Support	\$	48,216
Total Other	\$	190,034

Psychiatric Rehabilitation	\$	99,797
Social Rehabilitation	\$	373,020
Vocational Rehabilitation	\$	35,507
Total Rehabilitation Services	\$	508,324

MENTAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

An intellectual disability is a permanent condition that affects a person's ability to learn and function in daily life that occurs during the developmental period up to age 22.

Pennsylvania's intellectual/developmental disability services are based on a flexible and dynamic system of supports that are provided close to a person's home and community. Because each person and their needs are different, this service system is tailored to each individual to provide dignity and choice in how they live their lives. With the support of family and friends, individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities can decide what supports they need, how to manage their budgets, and be responsible for their own decisions and actions.

DD Expenditures by Cost Center	FY24-25
Administrator's Office	\$ 1,482,143
Supports Coordination	\$ 380,124
Community Residential	\$ 680,904
Community Based Services	\$ 1,531,723
Other *	\$ 104,786
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,179,680

* Berks County uses the "Other" cost center in DD for the expenditures and associated functions performed by agencies providing Financial Management Services (FMS). These costs are accounted in this cost center pursuant to ODP Bulletin 00-13-04.



EARLY INTERVENTION

While all children grow and develop in unique ways, some children experience delays in their development. Children in Pennsylvania with developmental delays and disabilities benefit from a state supported collaboration among parents, service practitioners and others who work with young children. Pennsylvania's Early Intervention program provides coaching support and services to families with children, from birth to age five, with developmental delays and disabilities. Early intervention builds upon the natural learning opportunities that occur within the daily routines of a child and their family.

EI Expenditures by Cost Center	FY24-25
Administrator's Office	\$ 351,446
Early Intervention Services	\$ 3,240,516
Service Coordination	\$ 1,110,039
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,702,001



HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT FUND (HSDF) HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HAP)

The **Human Services Development Fund** (HSDF) is a Pennsylvania program created by law in 1994 to give counties flexible funding for social services. It helps fill gaps when other funding sources don't apply, ensuring vulnerable low-income residents can access support tailored to local needs.

HSDF Expenditures by Category	FY24-25
Adult Services	\$ 101,786
Generic Services	\$ 104,877
Specialized Services	\$ 80,504
Interagency Coordination	\$ 2,950
Administration	\$ 34,471
Total Expenditures	\$ 324,588

The **Homeless Assistance Program** (HAP) is designed to provide comprehensive support to individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Its goal is to promote stability, self-sufficiency, and long-term housing solutions through coordinated services and community partnerships.



HAP Expenditures by Category	FY24-25
Bridge Housing	\$ 185,760
Case Management	\$ 132,000
Innovative Supportive Housing Services	\$ 15,000
Rental Assistance	\$ 194,286
Administration	\$ 58,372
Total Expenditures	\$ 585,418

HEALTHCHOICES

HealthChoices is Pennsylvania’s mandatory managed care program for Medical Assistance (MA) consumers. The program is designed to improve access to and the quality of care for MA consumers throughout Pennsylvania.

The PA Department of Human Services (DHS) has contracted directly with Berks County to manage the HealthChoices behavioral healthcare services to county residents since October 2001. The County, in turn, sub-contracts with a managed care organization (MCO), Community Care Behavioral Health (CCBH), to manage behavioral healthcare services on behalf of the County HealthChoices Program.

The MCO’s responsibilities include provider network development, utilization maintenance, quality assurance, claims adjudication, information systems, reporting, member support services, and outreach initiatives.

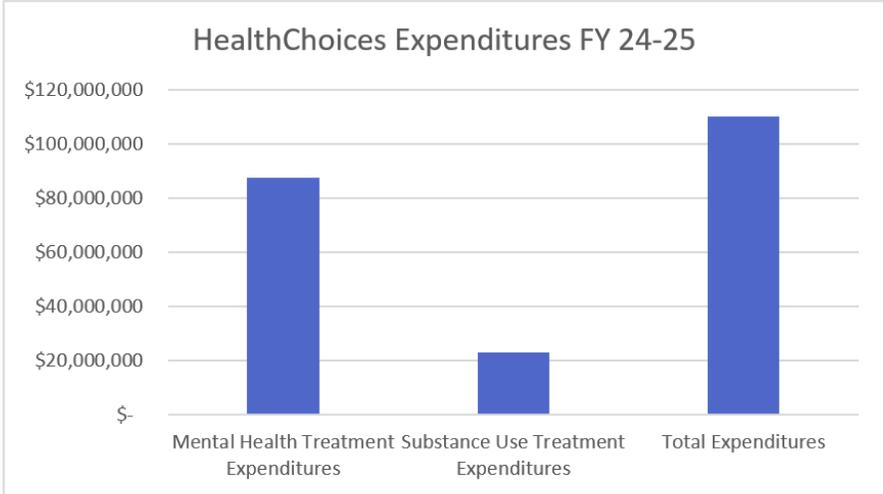
Total eligible members	93,856
Total unduplicated members served	20,002
Mental Health treatment services	18,477
Substance Use treatment services	3,685

Service counts include members served through Alternative Payment Arrangements

Total Reinvestment Funds allocated since 2002 = **\$42,696,500**



HEALTHCHOICES



Mental Health Treatment Expenditures *	\$ 87,271,889
Substance Use Treatment Expenditures	\$ 22,791,034
Total Expenditures	\$ 110,062,923

Expenditures do not include services paid through Alternative Payment Arrangements

* Includes Integrated Community Wellness Center, which includes both mental health & substance use treatment services