Integration of Behavioral Health & Primary Care

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Leading Our Communities Towards Health, Hope, & Recovery
Integration of Behavioral Health & Rural Health Revealed

Learning Objectives
- What, Why and How of Integrated Care?
- Behavioral Health - What??
- Intellectual/Developmental Disability - What??
- Georgia BH/DD Safety Net Providers - Who??
- Identifying needs of your community/agency
- Identifying strengths/challenges of your community/hospital/agency
- Collaboration/Partner Opportunities
- Building a Safer, Healthier community
CAN WE LIVE LONGER?
Integrated Healthcare’s Promise

1 month 6 months 3 years 6 years 12 years 18 years 25 years 36 years 45 years 55 years 60 years 70 years 80 years

SAMHSA-HRSA
Center for Integrated Health Solutions

www.integration.samhsa.gov
The PROBLEM

People with mental illness die earlier than the general population and have more co-occurring health conditions.

68% of adults with a mental illness have one or more chronic physical conditions.

more than 1 in 5 adults with mental illness have a co-occurring substance use disorder.
Co-occurrence between mental illness and other chronic health conditions:

- **High Blood Pressure**
  - Mental Illness: 21.9%
  - No Mental Illness: 18.8%

- **Smoking**
  - Mental Illness: 36%
  - No Mental Illness: 21%

- **Heart Disease**
  - Mental Illness: 5.9%
  - No Mental Illness: 4.2%

- **Diabetes**
  - Mental Illness: 7.9%
  - No Mental Illness: 6.6%

- **Obesity**
  - Mental Illness: 42%
  - No Mental Illness: 35%

- **Asthma**
  - Mental Illness: 15.7%
  - No Mental Illness: 10.6%
The solution lies in integrated care – the coordination of mental health, substance abuse, and primary care services. Integrated care produces the best outcomes and is the most effective approach to caring for people with complex healthcare needs.
INTEGRATION WORKS

Community-based addiction treatment can lead to...

- **35%** in inpatient costs
- **39%** in ER cost
- **26%** in total medical cost

Reduce Risk ➔ Reduce Heart Disease
(for people with mental illnesses)

- Maintenance of ideal body weight (BMI = 18.5 - 25)
  - 35%-55% decrease in risk of cardiovascular disease
- Maintenance of active lifestyle (~30 min walk daily)
  - 35%-55% decrease in risk of cardiovascular disease
- Quit Smoking
  - 50% decrease in risk of cardiovascular disease
One integration program* enrolled 170 people with mental illness. After one year in the program, in one month:

- 86 spent fewer nights homeless
- There were 50 fewer hospitalizations for mental health reasons
- 17 fewer nights in detox
- 17 fewer ER visits

This is $213,000 of savings per month.

That’s $2,500,000 in savings over the year.

Integration works. It improves lives. It saves lives. And it reduces healthcare costs.
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Healthy Minds. Strong Communities.
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1 in 5 PEOPLE HAVE A MENTAL ILLNESS OR ADDICTION

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www.cdc.gov/features/VitalsignsSmokingAndMentalIllness


Heritage Behavioral Health Center, based on data in...

* A grantee of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration program.
What is Integrated Care?

Abstract: People with mental and substance abuse disorders may die decades earlier than the average person — mostly from untreated and preventable chronic illnesses like hypertension, diabetes, obesity, and cardiovascular disease that are aggravated by poor health habits such as inadequate physical activity, poor nutrition, smoking, and substance abuse. Barriers to primary care — coupled with challenges in navigating complex healthcare systems — have been a major obstacle to care.

At the same time, primary care settings have become the gateway to the behavioral health system, and primary care providers need support and resources to screen and treat individuals with behavioral and general healthcare needs. The solution lies in integrated care, the systematic coordination of general and behavioral healthcare. Integrating mental health, substance abuse, and primary care services produces the best outcomes and proves the most effective approach to caring for people with multiple healthcare needs.

Whether services are organized via traditional models within **primary care settings** or **behavioral health settings** — or are **Health Homes models**, CIHS gathers current developments, research, models, and other important resources to ensure the success of healthcare’s future: integration. CIHS
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### Behavioral health, primary care and other healthcare providers work:

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<th>In same space within the same facility, where they:</th>
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<td>Have separate systems</td>
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<td>Share some systems, like scheduling or medical records</td>
<td>Actively seek system solutions together or develop work-a-rounds</td>
<td>Have resolved most or all system issues, functioning as one integrated system</td>
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<td>Communicate about cases only rarely and under compelling circumstances</td>
<td>Communicate periodically about shared patients</td>
<td>Communicate in person as needed</td>
<td>Communicate consistently at the system, team and individual levels</td>
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<td>Communicate, driven by provider need</td>
<td>Communicate, driven by specific patient issues</td>
<td>Collaborate, driven by need for each other’s services and more reliable referral</td>
<td>Collaborate, driven by desire to be a member of the care team</td>
<td>Collaborate, driven by shared concept of team care</td>
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<td>May never meet in person</td>
<td>May meet as part of larger community</td>
<td>Meet occasionally to discuss cases due to close proximity</td>
<td>Have regular team meetings to discuss overall patient care and specific patient issues</td>
<td>Have formal and informal meetings to support integrated model of care</td>
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<td>Have limited understanding of each other’s roles</td>
<td>Appreciate each other’s roles as resources</td>
<td>Feel part of a larger yet ill-defined team</td>
<td>Have an in-depth understanding of roles and culture</td>
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Table 2A. Six Levels of Collaboration/Integration (Key Differentiators)

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**Key Differentiator: Clinical Delivery**

- Screening and assessment done according to separate practice models
- Separate treatment plans
- Evidenced-based practices (EBP) implemented separately
- Screening based on separate practices; information may be shared through formal requests or Health Information Exchanges
- Separate treatment plans shared based on established relationships between specific providers
- Separate responsibility for care/EBPs
- May agree on a specific screening or other criteria for more effective in-house referral
- Separate service plans with some shared information that informs them
- Some shared knowledge of each other’s EBPs, especially for high utilizers
- Agree on specific screening, based on ability to respond to results
- Collaborative treatment planning for specific patients
- Some EBPs and some training shared, focused on interest or specific population needs
- Consistent set of agreed upon screenings across disciplines, which guide treatment interventions
- Collaborative treatment planning for all shared patients
- EBPs shared across system with some joint monitoring of health conditions for some patients
- Population-based medical and behavioral health screening is standard practice with results available to all and response protocols in place
- One treatment plan for all patients
- EBPs are team selected, trained and implemented across disciplines as standard practice

**Key Differentiator: Patient Experience**

- Patient physical and behavioral health needs are treated as separate issues
- Patient must negotiate separate practices and sites on their own with varying degrees of success
- Patient health needs are treated separately, but records are shared, promoting better provider knowledge
- Patients may be referred, but a variety of barriers prevent many patients from accessing care
- Patient health needs are treated separately at the same location
- Close proximity allows referrals to be more successful and easier for patients, although who gets referred may vary by provider
- Patient needs are treated separately at the same site, collaboration might include warm hand-offs to other treatment providers
- Patients are internally referred with better follow-up, but collaboration may still be experienced as separate services
- Patient needs are treated as a team for shared patients (for those who screen positive on screening measures) and separately for others
- Care is responsive to identified patient needs by of a team of providers as needed, which feels like a one-stop shop
- All patient health needs are treated for all patients by a team, who function effectively together
- Patients experience a seamless response to all healthcare needs as they present, in a unified practice

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### Key Differentiator: Practice/Organization
- **COORDINATED**
  - No coordination or management of collaborative efforts
  - Little provider buy-in to integration or even collaboration, up to individual providers to initiate as time and practice limits allow
- **CO-LOCATED**
  - Some practice leadership in more systematic information sharing
  - Some provider buy-into collaboration and value placed on having needed information
- **INTEGRATED**
  - Organization leaders supportive but often colocation is viewed as a project or program
  - Provider buy-in to making referrals work and appreciation of onsite availability
  - Organization leaders support integration through mutual problem-solving of some system barriers
  - More buy-in to concept of integration but not consistent across providers, not all providers using opportunities for integration or components
  - Organization leaders support integration, if funding allows and efforts placed in solving as many system issues as possible, without changing fundamentally how disciplines are practiced
  - Nearly all providers engaged in integrated model. Buy-in may not include change in practice strategy for individual providers

### Key Differentiator: Business Model
- **COORDINATED**
  - Separate funding
  - No sharing of resources
  - Separate billing practices
- **CO-LOCATED**
  - Separate funding
  - May share resources for single projects
  - Separate billing practices
- **INTEGRATED**
  - Separate funding, but may share grants
  - May share office expenses, staffing costs, or infrastructure
  - Separate billing due to system barriers
  - Blended funding based on contracts, grants or agreements
  - Variety of ways to structure the sharing of all expenses
  - Billing function combined or agreed upon process
  - Integrated funding, based on multiple sources of revenue
  - Resources shared and allocated across whole practice
  - Billing maximized for integrated model and single billing structure

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Table 2B. Six Levels of Collaboration/Integration (Key Differentiators, continued)
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<td>Each practice can make timely and autonomous decisions about care.</td>
<td>Maintains each practice's basic operating structure, so change is not a disruptive factor.</td>
<td>Colocation allows for more direct interaction and communication among professionals to impact patient care.</td>
<td>Removal of some system barriers, like separate records, allows closer collaboration to occur.</td>
<td>High level of collaboration leads to more responsive patient care, increasing engagement and adherence to treatment plans.</td>
<td>Opportunity to truly treat whole person.</td>
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<td>Readily understood as a practice model by patients and providers.</td>
<td>Provides some coordination and information-sharing that is helpful to both patients and providers.</td>
<td>Referrals more successful due to proximity.</td>
<td>Both behavioral health and medical providers can become more well-informed about what each can provide.</td>
<td>Provider flexibility increases as system issues and barriers are resolved.</td>
<td>All or almost all system barriers resolved, allowing providers to practice as high functioning team.</td>
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<td>Opportunity to develop closer professional relationships.</td>
<td>Patients are viewed as shared which facilitates more complete treatment plans.</td>
<td>Both provider and patient satisfaction may increase.</td>
<td>All patient needs addressed as they occur.</td>
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<td>Shared knowledge base of providers increases and allows each professional to respond more broadly and adequately to any issue.</td>
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<td>Services may overlap, be duplicated or even work against each other.</td>
<td>Sharing of information may not be systematic enough to effect overall patient care.</td>
<td>Proximity may not lead to greater collaboration, limiting value.</td>
<td>System issues may limit collaboration.</td>
<td>Practice changes may create lack of fit for some established providers.</td>
<td>Sustainability issues may stress the practice.</td>
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<td>Important aspects of care may not be addressed or take a long time to be diagnosed.</td>
<td>No guarantee that information will change plan or strategy of each provider.</td>
<td>Effort is required to develop relationships.</td>
<td>Potential for tension and conflicting agendas among providers as practice boundaries loosen.</td>
<td>Time is needed to collaborate at this high level and may affect practice productivity or cadence of care.</td>
<td>Few models at this level with enough experience to support value.</td>
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<td>Referrals may fail due to barriers, leading to patient and provider frustration.</td>
<td>Limited flexibility, if traditional roles are maintained.</td>
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Behavioral Health

- Behavioral Health refers to a person’s state of being and how their behaviors and choices affect their overall health and wellness. Substance abuse and addictions of all kinds fall into the realm of behavioral health.

- Behavioral health is an umbrella term that refers to your overall wellbeing and how it is impacted by your behaviors. Because behavior is something that is generally seen as changeable, people suffering from behavioral health issues can be empowered by knowing that their own choices can prevent, cure, or decrease symptoms of a variety of behavioral health disorders. Behavioral health is just as complex as mental health, and the two terms are often used interchangeably.

- Many mental health issues may be impacted by behavior, many mental health disorders have neurological or biological causes, meaning that simply changing a person’s behavior may not cure them of that illness. www.projectknow.com
What Is Mental Health?

- Mental health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. Our mental health affects how we think, feel, and act.

- Over the course of our lives, if you experience mental health problems, your thinking, mood, and behavior could be affected. Many factors contribute to mental health problems, including:
  - Biological factors, such as genes or brain chemistry
  - Life experiences, such as trauma or abuse
  - Family history of mental health problems

- Mental health problems are common, treatment is available!
  
  www.mentalhealth.gov
Addictive Disease

- According to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), substance use disorders result from recurrent use of alcohol or drugs that causes clinically and functionally significant impairments.

- Addiction treatment programs can help people of all ages withdraw safely from the physical and psychological effects of drugs, learning to manage their substance use disorder.
Intellectual/Development Disabilities

- **Intellectual disability** refers to a group of disorders characterized by a limited mental capacity and difficulty with adaptive behaviors such as managing money, schedules and routines, or social interactions.

- **Developmental disability** is a severe, long term disability that can affect cognitive ability, physical functioning, or both.

  nih.gov
Recovery Focused Services

- Recovery is possible!

- This belief guides the approach to mental health, addiction treatment and developmental disability services.

- Services are centered on clients and focused on their recovery journeys! Helping them to achieve their goals, discover their strengths and identify what they need to make their recovery a reality.
Recovery Focused Services
If you or a loved one needs help dealing with a behavioral health crisis, the Georgia Crisis and Access Line (GCAL) offers free and confidential crisis intervention 24/7.
Georgia’s Community Services Boards are the pre-eminent providers for children, youth and adults with serious mental illness, developmental disabilities, and addictive diseases. Recent surveys * indicate that:

- Nearly two million Georgians suffered from mental illness and / or addictive disease in the past year
- Over 320,000 experienced a serious mental illness in the past year
  - There are over 145,000 adults in Georgia with intellectual / developmental disability
- Of the SMI, the Community Service Boards served over 175,000 with high quality, cost effective care to Georgia’s most vulnerable population.

To learn more about the vital contributions of Georgia’s Community Service Boards to help persons with these disabilities go to: www.gacsb.org

*US Department of Health and Human Services and Bethesda Institute
VISION

Leading our communities toward Health, Hope & Recovery!

MISSION STATEMENT

To offer Affordable, Accessible, and Quality Mental Health, Addictive Disease and Developmental Disability services by skilled professionals who are sensitive to the needs of individuals and families served.
Aspire Behavioral Health & Developmental Disability Services

**Service Area**

- Behavioral Health, Addictive Disease, and Developmental Disability Services
- Community Support Team (CST)
- Assertive Community Treatment Team (ACT)
- Treatment Court Services
- LIGHT – Early Treatment Program
- Child & Adolescent Clubhouses
- Developmental Disability Service Centers

**Poverty Rate:**
- 24.6% SW GA
- 16.5% GA
- 14.7% Entire US
- 17.2% Rural US
## ASPIRE - 2016 Out Patient Behavioral Health Services - SPMI

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Community Collaborations

Collaborations with primary care providers and hospitals
Collaborations with schools
DFACS
Behavioral Health Coalition
Homeless Coalition
Community Conversations
Do Co Coroner’s Office - Suicide Prevention
Council on Aging
Albany Transition Center/Daily Reporting Centers
Universities/colleges w/ internship opportunities for RNs, SW, LPCs, LPNs, etc.
Numerous local, state and national advocacy groups
Building Community Partnerships
Educating Community and Stakeholders

- Accountability Court Partnerships
- CIT Trainings in partnership with NAMI since 2004
- Law Enforcement/First Responders
- Jail Partnerships
- State of GA Community Supervision
- Homeless Coalition
- Community Coalitions
Children who have not developed social/emotional skills by the time they enter school are at a disadvantage. Students with poor social skills are more likely to:
- experience difficulties in interpersonal relationships with teachers and peers;
- show signs of depression, aggression, or anxiety;
- demonstrate poor academic performance;
- and have a higher incidence of involvement in the criminal justice system as adults.

Approximately 50 percent of students age 14 and older with a mental illness drop out of high school. This is the highest dropout rate of any disability group.

Without adequate treatment, young adults in college with a mental illness are more likely to receive lower GPAs, drop out of college, or be unemployed than their peers who do not have a mental health challenge.

31% of college students have found it difficult to function due to depression in the past year, while more than 50% have felt overwhelming anxiety, making it hard to succeed academically.
Behavioral Health is a Public Health Challenge!

- In Georgia, over 2.3 million face the challenge of living with mental illness; 1 in 3 will receive treatment. 1 out of 4 adults will experience at least one behavioral health illness in their lifetime!
- In U.S. death by suicide happens every 16 minutes
- In Georgia, suicide is the 11th leading cause of death
- In U.S. 22.1 million with substance abuse and 17.9 million with alcohol dependence or abuse
- 41% of Georgians with addictive diseases report needing treatment but are not receiving
- One out of every 10 families are affected by intellectual disabilities
- 111,000 children in Georgia live with serious mental illness.
- Adults with a co-occurring ICD-9 mental health disorder (in addition to substance dependence) was 48% for 50- to 64-year-olds and 61% for those aged 65 and over.
- Opioid epidemic - increasing demand for addiction services - especially with elderly
- Robust Accountability Court services
- Strong referral system to BH continuum of care for Individuals returning to community
Individuals with Serious Mental Illness are dying approximately 25 years earlier than the general population due to medical conditions
- Average age of death is 53

Substance Use Disorders and the Person-Centered Healthcare Home, a 2010 report by Barbara Mauer, finds that those with co-occurring mental illness and substance use disorders were at greatest risk
- Average age of death is 45
Severe and Persistent Mental Ill (SPMI)
Morbidity and Mortality in People With Serious Mental Illness

60% of premature deaths are due to preventable medical conditions:
- Metabolic and Cardiovascular Disease
- Diabetes
- Respiratory Disease
- Infectious Disease
- Cancer
- Obesity

Example: recent Johns Hopkins Medicine studies published
- July 2012 Psychiatric Services: SMI are 2.6 times more likely to develop cancer
- July 2012 Injury Prevention: SMI are nearly twice as likely to end up in ER suffering from an injury and 4.5 times more likely to die from their injuries.
Perceptions of Violence and Mental Illness

**Criminal Justice Involvement**

There are high rates of mental illnesses and substance abuse problems among people in the criminal justice system.

Approximately 70% of jail inmates with mental illnesses are incarcerated for non-violent offenses.

56% of state prisoners, 45% of federal prisoners, and 64% of jail inmates report a behavioral health diagnosis.

Sixty-seven to seventy% of youth in the juvenile justice system have a diagnosable mental disorder.

**Individuals with mental illnesses only commit three to five% of violent acts every year.**

**People with mental illnesses are much more likely to be victims of crime than perpetrators.**
Georgia Department of Corrections/Juvenile Justice

- 1 in 4 Georgians affected by MI (Mental Illness)
- 33-75% jail population with mental illness or addiction related offenses
- 15-16% GDC inmates with MI
- 75% of YDC population with MI or SED
- Georgia home to 4 of 50 largest US jails
  - DeKalb County, #30 (ADP - 3,117)
  - Fulton County, #32 (ADP - 2,970)
  - Gwinnet County, #36 (ADP - 2,716)
  - Cobb County, #42 (ADP - 2,510)

*ADP=Average Daily Population
Behavioral Health Needs of a Community

Early intervention- key to recovery
- Easy access to services
- Affordable services
- Evidence based treatment - team approach
- Community based services (out of clinic)
- Stakeholder collaboration
- Positive outcomes
Behavioral Health Recovery is built on:

**Appropriate Level of Care** with appropriate community support services.

*Health*—overcoming or managing one’s disease(s) or symptoms – including abstinence if one has an addiction – and making informed, healthy choices that support physical and emotional wellbeing.

*Home*—a stable and safe place to live.

*Purpose*—meaningful daily activities, such as a job, school, volunteerism, family caretaking, or creative endeavors and the independence, income, and resources to participate in society.

*Community*—relationships and social networks that provide support, friendship, love, and hope.
Partnership Benefits

- Maximize available resources
- Capitalize on Expertise
- Collaborative Case Coordination to enhance recovery focused services
- Healthy and Safe Families and Communities

Helping one, changing all!
Behavioral Health Provider Challenges

- Stigma
- Confidentiality
- Limited awareness of mental health/substance abuse symptoms and treatment
- Isolation/Transportation
- Ability to pay for service - uninsured; Inability to pay for premiums and/or deductibles
- Homelessness
- Competent behavioral health workforce
- Behavioral Health Workforce shortage
- Co-occurring - complex cases - BH case management needs
- Employment support services

Collaboration/Partnerships Matter
Community/Agency Challenges
Access to Support, Services, Treatment and Stigma

- Not only can the attitudes and beliefs of the individual / Family in need prevent a person from seeking treatment, although research tells us that treatment is effective and people do recover.

- Health Profession, First Responders, community agencies - attitudes and beliefs are important!

- Only 38 percent of adults with diagnosable mental health conditions get treatment.

- Less than one in five adolescents get treatment for diagnosable mental health conditions.
Lack of ability to afford care is among the top reasons that people with unmet behavioral health needs do not seek treatment.

People with mental health and substance abuse problems have historically had high rates of being uninsured.

Mental health and substance abuse treatment spending has depended more on public payers than all health care, with public payers—such as Medicaid—accounting for approximately 60 percent of mental health spending.

Significant challenge in Southwest Georgia is the high rate of un-insured individuals.

Georgia Health News states:

- “A map of exchange enrollment in GA in 2014 shows generally low participation rates in rural South Georgia, even though these counties have high percentages of uninsured residents.”

- “For the current year, Southwest GA in particular had high premiums compared with other Georgia regions. In fact, it had among the highest premiums in the nation.”

As a safety net provider in the DBHDD System of Care our agency - Aspire provides services for a large population that met BH service criteria and have no means to pay – utilizing FFS reimbursement thru DBHDD.
An integrated health and substance use disorder treatment system requires a diverse workforce...

- That includes, mental health counselors, physicians, nurses, mental health treatment providers, care managers, and recovery specialists.

- However, Medicare, restricts “billable” health care professionals to physicians (including psychiatrists), nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists, physician’s assistants, clinical psychologists, clinical social workers, and certain other specified practitioners.

- Medicare does not include as billable mental health counselors who are trained to provide services for substance use disorders.

- A 2015 *American Journal of Alcohol and Drug Abuse* article reports that rural substance abuse treatment centers, compared to urban centers, had a lower proportion of mental health clinicians.
Co-occurring Disorders

Risk factors for co-occurring mental disorders and substance use disorders include:
- Difficulty in school, relationship, employment, community
- History of trauma/loss
- Legal history
- Homelessness
- Family history of substance use or mental illness

Examples of consequences include:
- Not sticking with treatment
- Problems with family
- Frequent use of emergency rooms or acute care clinics

Examples of Co-occurring Disorders
- Mental disorders and medical disorders
- Mental disorders and substance use disorders
- Multiple mental disorders
Behavioral Health Professional Workforce Shortage

- Uneven geographic distribution
- Recruitment challenges across the treatment field
- Fragmented system of provider silos that compete for limited workforce
Competent Behavioral Health Workforce:

- Community Support Staff
- PEERS/CARES/CPS credentialed staff
- Licensed Clinical Staff (LPC, LCSW, LMFT)
- LPNs, RNs, NPs, APRNs, PAs
- Primary Care Doctors, Psychiatrist
Georgia Mental Health Providers by County

Mental Health Providers
By County
1/2016 Year-to-Date

- Psychiatrists
- Licensed Clinical Social Workers
- Marriage & Family Therapists
- Psychologists
- LPC
- LCSW
- SOTP
What are your BH Challenges?
What are your solutions?

- Can you provide BH services without collaborating with a BH provider?
- Can you provide BH community support services needed to promote long
  term recovery?
- Can you access BH funding that is available to CSB providers?
  (FFS/Specialty service funding)
NEEDS of SWGA:

- Easy access to BH services - Integration of behavioral health and primary care services.
- Case management services provided to coordinate bh/pc needs of individuals served.
- Access to child and adolescent services to increase school attendance, improvement in grades, decrease disruptive behaviors and law enforcement involvement.
- Access extended hours for behavioral health services to include early intervention, crisis behavioral health services, on-going community support services, group, individual, nurse and doctor services. Serve Calhoun, Baker, eastern Early, Southern Clay, Miller and Randolph and Terrell counties.
- Access to out-patient SA services.
- Access to shared Competent Behavioral Health Workforce
- Expansion of Touchstone Residential Recovery to male/female specific units with a recovery focused environment.
OUTCOMES To Consider

With easy access to services, competent BH staff, appropriate treatment and community support services:

- Improvement in care coordination between medical office/hospital/BH staff
- Improvement in Treatment/Medication compliance
- Stabilization of co-occurring medical/behavioral health concerns
- Behavioral challenges decrease, school absence and suspension decrease
- Emergency room visits, hospital stays, and periods of incarceration reduced.
- High-risk and harmful substance use is decreased.
- Employment opportunities for staff and individuals served
# Behavioral Health ER Visits in SWGA
## January to July 2015

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Miller County Behavioral Health Expansion

- Outpatient Behavioral Health Services offered close proximity to medical clinic and hospital.
- Expansion of wide array of outpatient behavioral health services
- Referrals, case management and outcomes
- Community supportive services to participants to insure engagement with services
Need: LongTerm Residential Recovery Treatment in SWGA

Recently closed Calhoun County Hospital (2013) was a 25 bed hospital. The hospital 70+ staff continue to live in a 30 mile radius of this facility. Facility repurposed to 12 month Long term residential treatment facility with 54 FTEs and growing.
Touchstone Residential Recovery

- **Aspire’s** 12 bed male intensive residential recovery program relocated to this facility.

- 28 beds are located on separate wings (N/S). This unit is easily separated and secured from other units housed in the building. ASPIRE’s Touchstone Program for long-term SA recovery would be transitioned to this space.

- Hospital building provides a recovery focused environment with expanded green space, privacy and activity areas.

- The present 14 bed Touchstone program (male only) will be expanded to additional 14 female residents. Transitional beds will be available.

- 14 beds are presently DBHDD funded. Requesting additional funding from DBHDD for 14 beds. Additional beds will be available for other payor sources.

- As research supports, longer length of stay would extend treatment, provide stability and support recovery skill building as well as provide support with transitions of employment, housing and family restoration.
Aspire – Calhoun Behavioral Health Services

• Outpatient Behavioral Health Services will be offered on back hallway of building. Back entry way will have benches and trees/plants planted in large containers.
• Outpatient BH Service Staff will provide services in surrounding counties.
FTE - 46/54 (new jobs)

Touchstone - 18 (techs, LPN, .25 RN, .25 Dr, licensed BH staff)
contract staff for woodworking, art, horticulture, landscaping, pottery (2)

Outpatient - 8 (community support, LPN, .75, .25 Dr, licensed BH staff)

CM Collaboration with MCH - 5 case managers

Administrative support staff (clerical, billing, UM) 5

Support Services: Food Service, Housekeeping, Janitorial, Security, Transportation, yard maintenance - 10

Additional Aspire administrative staff maybe transitioned to this site. (6)

11/9/2017
Aspire Miller BH Clinic FY 2017 – FY 2018

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Aspire Miller BH Clinic FY 2017 – FY 2018

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Kept appointments make up 83.212%, Canceled by Therapist: 0.91%, Canceled by Client 4.9%, Did Not Show: 10.97% of overall appointments in Fiscal Year 2018.
### Aspire Calhoun BH Clinic FY 2017 – FY 2018

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Kept appointments make up 87.1033%, Canceled by Therapist: 0.806%, Canceled by Client: 2.778%, Did Not Show: 9.3126% of overall appointments for FY 2017.
Aspire Calhoun BH Clinic FY 2017-FY 2018 Intake Referrals

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**Calhoun County Intake Referrals FY 2016 - 2017**

**Calhoun County Intake Referrals FY 2017 - 2018**

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ASPIRE Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Services - Kay Newberry Brooks, EdD, LPC
Aspire Executive Director

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kbrooks@albanycsb.org
It's all about building community.
Resources:

Addressing Bullying  http://www.stopbullying.gov

Appendix: Helpful Resources and Websites
(Note: These organizations, materials and links are offered for informational purposes only and should not be construed as an endorsement of the referenced organization’s programs or activities.)

Children’s Mental Health Awareness Day http://www.samhsa.gov/children

Find Youth Info  http://www.findyouthinfo.gov

Information About Mental Health • http://www.MentalHealth.gov

Additional information you could use to host a conversation in your community http://www.CreatingCommunitySolutions.org
Resources

National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) http://www.nimh.nih.gov

National Registry for Evidence-Based Programs and Practices • http://www.nrepp.samhsa.gov
National Center for Trauma-Informed Care http://www.samhsa.gov/nctic
Children’s Mental Health Initiative Technical Assistance Center http://www.cmhnetwork.org

National Consumer Technical Assistance Centers • http://ncstac.org/index.php
Homeless Resource Center http://www.homeless.samhsa.gov
Shared Decision Making in Mental Health Tools http://162.99.3.211/shared.asp
College Drinking: Changing the Culture http://www.collegedrinkingprevention.gov

Million Hearts http://millionhearts.hhs.gov/index.html

Resource Center to Promote Acceptance, Dignity, and Social Inclusion • http://promoteacceptance.samhsa.gov
SAMHSA-HRSA Center for Integrated Health Solutions:  www.Integration.SAMHSA.gov

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)  http://www.SAMHSA.gov

Suicide Prevention Resource Center •  http://www.sprc.org

The Institute of Medicine’s *Preventing Mental, Emotional and Behavioral Disorders Among Young People: Progress and Possibilities*


Voice Awards  http://www.samhsa.gov/voiceawards

YouTube videos

*23 ½ Hours* by Dr. Mike Evans

Monitoring tools and educational materials

CDC:  www.cdc.gov

American Heart Association:  www.heart.org

American Diabetes Association:  www.diabetes.org