



Martha's Vineyard Community Services, Inc.

Behavioral Health Service Update

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Critical Needs

- I. Behavioral Health Workforce. Recruitment. Retention. Competence. Commitment (to Island service)
- II. Emergency Response – Diversion from Justice System and Emergency Department
- III. Care Management for Islanders with complex mental health, substance use, and medical condition.
- IV. Child & Family Behavioral Health
- V. Comprehensive Community Behavioral Health Center





Behavioral Health Workforce

New grant award: Executive Office of Health & Human Services Home and Community-Based Services Workforce Development Grant (685K). Six Initiatives comprise the Program, including the following three:

Professional Development

Track 1A	Clinical Excellence: Child & Family Behavioral Health (5 Courses)
Track 1B	Clinical Excellence: Mental Health and Law Enforcement Co-Response Crisis Intervention
Track 1C	Clinical Excellence: General Behavioral Health Practice (7 Courses)
Track 2	Supervisory Excellence (4 Courses)
Track 3	Service Excellence (5 courses)

Contract underway with **MV Center for Education & Training** (MVCET).

Clinical Staff and Housing (Clinical Residency) Housing, supervision, support, and assistance toward licensure for MA Level Clinicians and Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner.

Substance Abuse Clinic Workforce Pipeline Initiative: Scholarships to support two Islanders to obtain Licensed Addiction Counselor education / credential. Open to MVCS employees first. Islanders, too, if slot available.





Emergency Response – Behavioral Health

Partnership between MV Community Services and Police Departments.

EOHHS Grant provides for training and technical assistance.

Advocates, Inc. providing start-up technical assistance.

Working with PDs to submit proposal to DMH to pay for 1.0 FTE in behavioral health emergency response.

MV Community Services also working with SEIU to discuss new model. Union concerns need to be considered.

Timeline for launch depends on when proposal is submitted to DMH. Expect 60-90 days from funding as the start date.





Care Management for Mass Health Beneficiaries with Complex Concerns

Contract with Stanley Street Treatment and Resources (STTAR) to serve as MV's Behavioral Health Community Partner.

Clinical and care management oversight of approximately 40 Islanders with complex behavioral health, substance use, and medical concerns.

We expect the number of enrollees to grow. New enrollees are identified by Mass Health.

Each enrollee is supported by a MV Community Services' Clinician/Nurse + a Care Coordinator.

We are in the start-up phase now. Hope to be operational by May 1.





Child & Family Behavioral Health

Have re-opened Child & Family Behavioral Health services.

Focusing on school-based and home-based services with step-down to outpatient child behavioral health.

- ✓ Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner w/child & adolescent specialization, in place. We expect the number of enrollees to grow. New enrollees are identified by Mass Health.
- ✓ Licensed clinical practitioner in place.
- ✓ **Still looking for Manager for program.**





Comprehensive Community Behavioral Health Center

In process of contracting with Executive Office of Health & Human Services

Expect to learn disposition of contract next week.

“Ramp up” approach needed to launch CBHC because of workforce deficits.

CBHC offers a comprehensive range of accessible, responsive, and high quality behavioral health (mental health + substance use) services. Mobile Crisis Intervention will eventually be added to MV Community Services programs (if contracting is successful)





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