



Mental Health Services

Achieving Recovery for adults, children and adolescence with behavioral health issues and alternatives for the homeless and forensic populations

Mental Health Administrative Case Management

This program is responsible for the case management of approximately 12,000 individuals with mental illness. This service provides intake, assessment, referral, authorization, and monitoring of children, adults and senior citizens with mental health concerns. Additionally, clinical staff develop diversion options for individuals admitted to local inpatient mental health units, who are at risk for state hospitalization, and actively participate in discharge planning for all Erie County residents during their treatment at Warren State Hospital. Mental Health Administrative Case Management is also the point of entry for the enrollment of individuals in the public mental health system.

Forensic Mental Health

Administrative Case Management

This program provides services to individuals with a serious mental illness who are involved in the criminal justice system.

Screening and Assessment

This service provides mental health and/or substance abuse assessments to those youth involved with the Office of Juvenile Probation and the Office of Children & Youth. This assessment is used for the purpose of early identification and recommendations for the most appropriate behavioral health service and treatment option.

Representative Payee

The financial affairs of approximately 200 consumers who have been diagnosed with a serious and persistent mental health condition are handled by this program. The staff and consumer jointly prepare a budget to assist the consumer in managing their monthly expenses with the outcome of achieving financial stability.

Services for Homeless Persons with Behavioral Health Concerns

These programs provide assistance to persons with serious mental illness who reside in emergency shelters, places not fit for human habitation, "doubled-up" living situations, or who are being evicted.

Homeless Case Management

Erie County Care Management, Inc. provides case management to individuals who meet the above criteria to help them link with mental health treatment, rehabilitation, and housing resources.

Shelter Plus Care

Shelter Plus Care is a HUD funded program that provides participants with a housing subsidy as long as they agree to participate in necessary mental health and/or drug and alcohol treatment. The goal of the program is to assist participants in increasing their income and achieving stability in housing.

Health Choices

Locally serving the mental health needs of individuals with medical assistance

This program partners with the Behavioral Health Managed Care Organization for Erie County for authorization and referral related to behavioral health services for children. Services include: Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Services, Mental Health Residential Treatment Facilities, Family Based Mental Health Services, Multi-systemic Therapy and Outpatient. Eligibility is based on medical necessity criteria, and services are available to those children who qualify for Health Choices Medical Assistance benefits.

Intellectual Disability

Helping the Intellectually Disabled reach their full potential to achieve an "Everyday Life"

This program is responsible for supports coordination of approximately 2,500 mentally disabled clients. The program develops Individual Support Plans (ISPs) for each individual on an annual basis and monitors service delivery. Together with the County Office of Mental Retardation, this program serves as the point of entry into Erie County's Mental Retardation system.



Early Intervention Services

Off to a Good Start

This program is responsible for service coordination of approximately 1200 children with developmental delays per year. The program is for any child from birth to 3 years of age who may display developmental delays in one or more of the following areas: Speech and Language, Gross or Fine Motor, Cognition, Self-Help or Social/Emotional Development. The program is responsible for Intake, Screening and Service Coordination. Each child and family will have access to a Service Coordinator who is responsible to develop and monitor service delivery of an Individual Family Service Plan for each child. This program serves as the single point of entry into the Erie County Early Intervention program.

History

In the 1960's the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center created the Base Service Unit for individuals with Intellectual Disabilities and Early Intervention Service Coordination for children with Developmental Delays. Around the same time Hamot Hospital and Saint Vincent Hospital developed Base Service Units for persons with Mental Illness.

Erie County Council in order to promote a conflict-free care management system enacted an Ordinance on June 11, 2006 establishing a private not-for-profit corporation named Erie County Care Management Inc. to be the sole provider of the above functions for the citizens of Erie County.

The primary focus for the new Corporation is to promote the integration of community services into a seamless system of care for any child or adult in need of services. Funding comes from the Federal, State, and County Governments.

Mission Statement

Erie County Care Management, Inc. (ECCM) provides case management and other services to Erie County's behavioral health, developmental disabilities, and other human service consumers. By offering local support that assures access, ECCM ensures that care decisions are consumer-based and individualized, offering comprehensive, holistic care that fosters independence.



**Currently serving over
17,000 individuals and
families in Erie County**

**Mental Health.
Health Choices.
Intellectual Disability.
Early Intervention.**



Partnering with individuals and families.

Principles of Recovery.

"Everyday Lives" philosophy.

Collaborating with service providers
and funding sources.

Continuous Quality Improvements.

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**Building
Independence
One Empowered
Consumer
at a Time.**



**Professional, Compassionate
Support**