

DHS Division of Mental Health

Mission

To maximize community supports and develop skills for persons with serious mental illness and children with serious emotional disturbance.

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Vision

An efficient, effective, high-quality mental health service delivery system must be grounded in a clear vision that supports the recovery of adults with mental illnesses and promotes the resilience of children and adolescents with emotional disorders.

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In Illinois, We Envision:

All children with a diagnosis of, or at risk for developing, an emotional disorder will have access to a

- family-driven
- youth-guided
- trauma-informed
- culturally and linguistically competent
- strengths-based system of care

that supports optimal physical and mental health and social and emotional wellbeing.

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In Illinois, We Envision:

All adults with a diagnosis of, or at risk for developing, a mental illness will have access to a

- coordinated
- integrated
- well-funded mental health system

that promotes recovery and social inclusion through timely access to prevention, treatment, and recovery support services.

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Community Services

Populations Served

- Adults
 - Over 18
 - Diagnosis of Mental Illness
- Children/Adolescents
 - Treatment of Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED)
 - Prevention services for symptoms of SED
- Forensics
 - Not Guilty By Reason of Insanity (NGRI)
 - Unfit to Stand Trial (UST)
- Long Term Care
 - Residential Care
 - Nursing Homes/Institutions for Mental Disease (IMDs)

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Community Services

Provider Network

- Approximately 150 community mental health centers
 - Outpatient Clinics
 - Residential Services
- Approximately 30 additional youth residential providers

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Organizational Structure

- Central Office – Chicago and Springfield
 - Develops policies, contracts, budgets
 - Mental Health Authority oversight
- Regional Offices Throughout the State
- Bureaus:
 - Community Services
 - Recovery Support Services
 - Forensic Services
 - Regional Services
 - Child and Adolescent Services
 - Rebalancing