



Department of
**Mental Health &
Substance Abuse Services**

Fall Judicial Conference

OUR MISSION:

Creating

**COLLABORATIVE
PATHWAYS TO**

*RESILIENCY,
RECOVERY, and
INDEPENDENCE*

for Tennesseans living with mental illness and
substance use disorders

OUR VISION:

A STATE

of resiliency, recovery,
and independence

IN WHICH

TENNESSEANS

living with mental illness
and substance use disorders

THRIVE

Division Mental Health Services

- Administers and supports a diverse array of services and supports for individuals of all ages living with mental illness, co-occurring disorders, or serious emotional disturbances.
- Responsible for community-based programs and community support services including housing, crisis services, suicide prevention, and peer-to-peer recovery services.

Behavioral Health Safety Net

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SAFETY NET

TN Department of
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**39,840 PEOPLE
SERVED IN FY2021**

The Behavioral Health Safety Net for Adults provides essential mental health services to people who are uninsured, underinsured, or have no means to pay.

TOP SERVICES

- Assessment and Evaluation
- Case Management
- Psychiatric Medication Management
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation Services
- Therapeutic Interventions

CURRENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Primary Qualifying Mental Health Diagnosis
- No other behavioral health coverage
- Income at or below 138% FPL
- 18 Years of age or older
- Tennessee Resident

IMPORTANT FACTS

- 153 Office Locations Statewide
- Outpatient Services Only
- Behavioral health medication provided through CoverRx
- Is not insurance or part of TennCare

PROVIDER NETWORK

WEST		MIDDLE		EAST
Alliance Healthcare Services 901-369-1400	Pathways Behavioral Health 731-541-8200	Centerstone of TN 877-467-3123	Centerstone of TN 877-467-3123	Mental Health Cooperative 423-697-5950
Carey Counseling 800-611-7757	Professional Care Services 877-727-2778	Mental Health Cooperative 615-726-3340	Cherokee Health 866-231-4477	Peninsula 865-970-9800
Case Management, Inc. 901-821-5600	Quinco Community MHC 800-532-6339	TN Voices 800-670-9882	Frontier Health 855-336-9327	Ridgeview 800-834-4178
Cherokee Health Systems 866-231-4477	TN Voices 800-670-9882	Volunteer Behavioral Health 877-567-6051	McNabb Center 865-637-9711 423-266-6751	Volunteer Behavioral Health 877-567-6051

Link for more information: tn.gov/behavioral-health/bhsn

Be The One Campaign

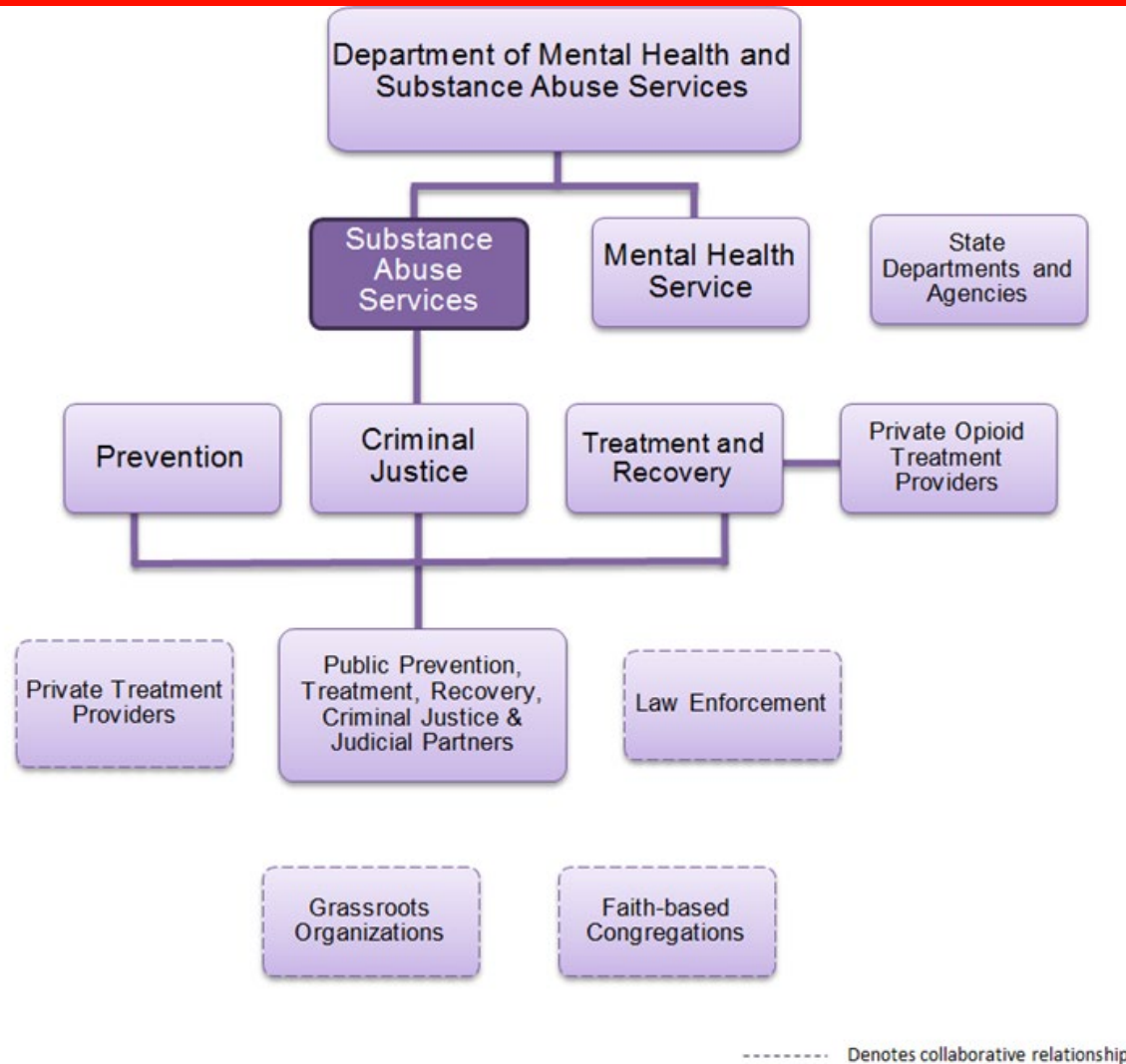
- Be the One Campaign
 - Provides suicide awareness and social marketing strategies by providing information regarding suicide and serves as a reminder that suicide can happen at any time to anyone
 - Teaches participants how to recognize when someone may be thinking about suicide, how to ask the question directly and offers tips on how to develop good listening skills, which is a key component of suicide prevention
 - Provides postvention suggestions in the event a suicide occurs to someone in the workforce
 - **<https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/need-help/be-the-one.html>**



Division of Substance Abuse Services

- Responsible for the state's efforts to prevent and treat substance use disorders for individuals who do not have any financial means
- Carryout this responsibility through three offices
 - Office of Prevention and Early Intervention
 - Office of Treatment and Recovery Services
 - Office of Criminal Justice Services
- Serves as liaison to State Opioid Treatment Authority (SOTA)

Tennessee Substance Abuse System



Tennessee Substance Abuse System

Substance Abuse Services

- Administers federal block and discretionary grant funds and state funds
- Strength – Integrated substance abuse system
 - ***DSAS purchases services directly from non-profit and for-profit providers***
 - 278 Community Partners
 - More than 800 contracts

Regional Opioid Prevention Specialists

ROPS

REGIONAL OVERDOSE PREVENTION SPECIALISTS

Tennessee's front-line harm reductionists serving communities and saving lives across the state



Tennessee's Regional Overdose Prevention Specialists (ROPS) serve all 95 counties as points of contact for free training and education on opioid overdose and for overdose prevention through the distribution of naloxone. The ROPS have varied backgrounds, including peer nurses in recovery, paramedics, and Certified Peer Recovery Specialists. TDMHSAS has more than 20 ROPS operating in 13 regional divisions across the state. The ROPS are employees of their local Substance Abuse Prevention Coalitions and are equipped to connect people with treatment and recovery resources.

44,000+

Documented lives saved. Actual number believed to be much higher due to under-reporting.

300,000+

Units of naloxone distributed. Each unit of naloxone contains 2 doses.

300,000+

Individuals trained on naloxone usage, brain science of addiction, stigma and compassion fatigue.

Numbers reported from program start in October 2017 through April 2022.

PRIORITY POPULATIONS FOR TRAINING & DISTRIBUTION



People at High Risk, Families, and Friends



Community-Based Agencies



First Responders



Community Groups

FREE ROPS TRAINING COVERS:

- Causes and Impacts of the Overdose Epidemic
- Impact of Substance Misuse on the Brain
- Harm Reduction Principles
- Recognizing and Responding to an Overdose
- How to Administer Naloxone

Contact your local ROPS to schedule a training or get more info. Scan the code or visit the website below.



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[TN.gov/behavioral-health/ROPS](https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/ROPS)

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Office of Treatment & Recovery Services

- Continuum of Care
 - ✓ Fund over 40 agencies at 80+ sites
 - ✓ Provide a continuum of services ranging from Outpatient through Medically Monitored Detox
- Medically Managed Detox
 - ✓ Hospital based
 - ✓ Funded by state dollars
 - ✓ One provider
- Medically Monitored Withdrawal Management
 - ✓ 7 providers

Office of Criminal Justice Services

Recovery Courts

ADAT and SPOT

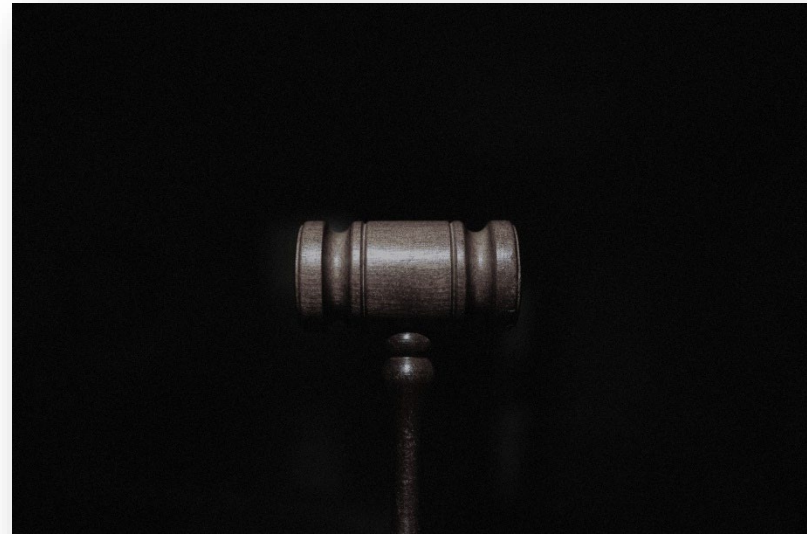
TDOC Community Treatment
Collaborative

Criminal Justice Liaison (CJL)

TN Recovery Oriented
Compliance Strategy (TN-ROCS)

Vivitrol in Recovery Courts

DUI Schools



“We set out to change their lives, and in the process, they change ours.” –Judge David Allen, 22nd Judicial District-

Recovery Courts

Recovery courts are evidence-based programs with extensive research to support their effectiveness at reducing criminal behavior and illicit substance use.

Eligibility

- Non-violent & High Risk/High Need
- SA, MH, COD
- Offense is related to disorder
- Willingness to participate in the program & intensive

Services

Intensive supervision; Regular and random drug testing; Frequent court appearances for the judge to review their progress; Rewarded for doing well; Sanctioned for not adhering to program obligations; and Non adversarial team approach.



10 Key Components of Recovery Courts

1. Integrate alcohol and other drug treatment services
2. Uses a non adversarial approach
3. Eligible participants are identified early and promptly
4. Drug courts provide access to a continuum of alcohol, drug, and other related treatment
5. Abstinence is monitored by frequent testing.
6. A coordinated strategy governs drug court responses
7. Ongoing judicial interaction is essential
8. Monitoring and evaluation
9. Continuing interdisciplinary education promotes
10. Forging partnerships enhances program effectiveness.

*NADCP 1997

Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

- Evidence-based standards
- Adherence improves outcomes for individuals involved in the justice system due to substance use disorders and mental health conditions.
- 25 years of empirical study on addiction, pharmacology, behavioral health, and criminal justice
- Foundation upon which all adult drug courts should operate
- The keys to transform how the justice system responds to people in crisis

Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

- Standard I - Target Population
 - High Risk to Reoffend
 - High Need for substance abuse/co-occurring disorder treatment
- Standard II – Equity & Inclusion
 - Ensure equal opportunity for everyone to participate and succeed, regardless of race, ethnicity, or gender.

Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

- Standard III – Roles and Responsibilities of the Judge
 - Judges greatly influence participants' success in the program
 - Research confirms most impactful
- Standard IV - Incentives, Sanctions, and Therapeutic Adjustments
 - Use behavior change strategies that are evidence-based, fair, and consistently administered

Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

- Standard V - Substance Use Disorder Treatment
 - Provide a continuum of evidence-based treatment services as recommended by a qualified clinician.
 - Key Component #4
 - The US Department of Justice vs. the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania (UJS), under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Standard VI - Complementary Treatment and Social Services
 - Assess participants for mental health disorders and other needs that may interfere with positive progress.

Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

- Standard VII - Drug and Alcohol Testing
 - Frequent, random, and comprehensive drug and alcohol testing of participants
- Standard VIII - Multidisciplinary Team
 - Team consists of a judge, program coordinator, prosecutor, defense attorney, community supervision officer, treatment representative, and law enforcement officer

Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

- Standard IX - Census and Caseloads
 - Ensure that court, supervision, and treatment services do not lessen as the program census and caseloads increase
- Standard X - Monitoring and Evaluation
 - Adherence to best practices is among the characteristics that distinguish drug courts from business as usual.

Mental Health Courts

- Mental Health Treatment Act of 2022 (Public Chapter No. 1071)
- To create programs to facilitate the implementation of new, and the continuation of existing, mental health court programs
- 10 Essential Elements of Mental Health Courts
- Mentor Courts

Mental Health Courts

- Goals

1. To reduce the use of jail and prison beds and other correctional services by offenders with mental health disorders by diverting them into treatment programs;
2. To improve court efficiency by substituting a problem-solving model for traditional criminal court processing and linking defendants to effective treatment and supports for mental illness;
3. To improve the quality of life of people with severe and persistent mental illnesses and increase their participation in effective treatment;
4. To promote the public safety by reducing the incidence of crimes committed as a result of mental health disorders; and (5) To promote effective interaction and the use of resources among local criminal justice agencies and community agencies.

Criminal Justice Treatment Funding

Court ordered co-occurring substance abuse treatment services for indigent justice-involved population through a statewide provider network and a full continuum of care.

ADAT – Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment

- Ordered to undergo an alcohol and drug assessment, treatment, or both
- Deemed indigent by the court
- Residential and Outpatient Treatment; Halfway House

SPOT – Supervised Probation Offender Treatment

- Current non-violent conviction:
- Sentenced to supervised probation and has past criminal history caused by drug use and/or addiction; or
- Violation of the Tennessee Drug Control Act and a current non-violent criminal conviction where the individual is sentenced to supervised probation.

Community Treatment Collaborative

Funded through an interagency agreement between TDOC and TDMHSAS and is collaborative effort to divert at risk probation and parole technical violators with SA and COD .

- Participant must be under the supervision of TDOC and at risk for violation, as determined by TDOC
- Must be referred to a treatment provider by a TDOC Forensic Social Worker (FSW)
- This program provides a full continuum of care



Criminal Justice Liaison Program

Liaisons facilitate communication and coordination of services between the criminal justice and the behavioral health systems

- All 95 counties in Tennessee are covered
- Goal of decriminalizing mental illnesses, COD and SA disorders;
- Provide liaison and case management services and promotes diversion activities for persons with SMI, MI, COD or SA disorders who come in contact with the criminal justice system due to an arrest.

TN Recovery Oriented Compliance Strategy Program

TN-ROCS is a specialized court docket.

- Medium risk for re-offending and medium to high need for treatment.
- Do not meet criteria for recovery court.
- Individuals are ordered by a judge to participate in the program.

TARCP Annual Training Conference

“We are ALL part of the solution to improving communities by meeting the needs of the individuals and families in the criminal justice system that require support for their substance use or mental health disorders so they can thrive!”



Chief Justice of New Hampshire's Superior Court, Honorable Tina Nadeau joins us for two presentations specifically for judges.

Testimonial

Judge David Allen – 22nd Judicial District
Recovery Court

Questions



THANK YOU



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