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<b>Alcohol &amp; Drug screenings for Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) at DSS</b>	Lisa Davis	410-872-8753	ldavis@howardcountymd.gov	Alcohol & Drug TCA Screener	Alcohol & Drug Screenings are required per COMAR for TCA applicants.	Contact DSS for TCA application, DSS refers individuals for screenings	Howard County, Temporary Cash Applicants at DSS
<b>Alcohol &amp; Drug, TCA Program Supervisor</b>	Mary Ann Bruce	5252	mbruce@howardcountymd.gov	Behavioral Health Program Administrator III	Clinical supervisor for TCA, Alcohol & Drug Counselor & services	Call Email	BOPC Alcohol & Drug Counselors
<b>Behavioral Health linkage to care</b>	Kayla Blasher	6240	kblasher@howardcountymd.gov	Behavioral Health Navigator/Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator	Linkage to mental health & substance use treatment services in Howard County	Call Email Referral Form	Children Adolescents Adults Older Adults
<b>Behavioral Health Youth, Young Adult, Family screening/referrals, care coordination</b>	Kenyatta Cully	7378	kcully@howardcountymd.gov	Child & Adolescent Coordinator	Administrative oversight & resource development for services received by children/young adults in the Public Behavioral Health System.	Call/Email Child & Adolescent Services Coordinator	Children Adolescents Young Adults
<b>Behavioral Health Workgroup, LHIC Co-Delegate</b>	Stephanie Kersheskey	7526	skersheskey@howardcountymd.gov	Deputy Director of Programming	Support Behavioral Health priorities of LHIC & Howard County	N/A	Stakeholders in the community
<b>Buprenorphine Referrals</b>	Miriam Bennett	6281	mbennett@howardcountymd.gov	Systems Management Unit Coordinator	Reviews/approves requests for after-hours Buprenorphine treatment referrals to BBH contracted providers	Call Email	Adults



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<b>Bureau of Behavioral Health general questions, linking callers to staff, general Behavioral Health referrals</b>	Heather Moore	7509	hmoore@howardcountymd.gov	Administrative Aide	BBH/LBHA Programming	Call/Email with questions	General Public Organizations Stakeholders
	Tia Gaymon	7225	tgaymon@howardcountymd.gov	Administrative Aide			
<b>Chronic Pain Self-Management Program</b>	Heidi Weiss-Beedie	5711	hweissbeedie@howardcountymd.gov	Psychogeriatric Coordinator	Coordinates chronic pain self-management sessions for the community	Call/Email with questions	General Public Organizations Stakeholders
	Liesele Wood	6285	lwood@howardcountymd.gov	Prevention Program Administrator			
<b>Communication with Bureau Director/Local Behavioral Health Authority, Behavioral Health policy questions, stakeholder concerns</b>	Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy	7316	rrbonaccorsy@howardcountymd.gov	Bureau Director	BBH/LBHA Services Management	Call/Email with questions	General Public Organizations Stakeholders
	Stephanie Kersheskey	7526	skersheskey@howardcountymd.gov	Deputy Director of Programming	Assist Bureau Director in program & policy development for LBHA and communication with stakeholders.		
<b>Crisis Stabilization Center Grant</b>	Miriam Bennett	6281	mbennett@howardcountymd.gov	Systems Management Unit Coordinator	Grant Monitor/Technical Support	Call Email	Adults
<b>Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Grant</b>	Miriam Bennett	6281	mbennett@howardcountymd.gov	Systems Management Unit Coordinator	Grant Monitor/Technical Support	Call Email	Providers



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<b>Detention Center Substance Use Treatment supervision &amp; peer recovery support supervision</b>	Chris Collins	6280/1149	ccollins@howardcountymd.gov	Recovery Support & Criminal Justice Services Unit Supervisor	Provides ASAM Level I Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services. Other services include: referrals for medication-assisted treatment; peer recovery support; and referrals to community providers.	The program accepts voluntary, court-ordered, or Detention Center referred clients.	Adults currently incarcerated in the Howard County Detention Center.
	Catherine Sawyer	1150	csawyer@howardcountymd.gov	SUD Counselor			
	Mary Ann Bruce	5252	mbruce@howardcountymd.gov	Program Administrator III			
<b>District Court Behavioral Health screenings/referrals &amp; short-term case management</b>	Ben Ferguson	410-480-7915	bferguson@howardcountymd.gov	Behavioral Health Court Liaison	Screens court-ordered individuals for mental health & substance use disorders. Refers individuals for assessment if indicated.	This program only accepts court-ordered or parole/probation referrals.	Adults
<b>DUI/Drug Court case management questions/referrals</b>	Chris Collins	6280/1149	ccollins@howardcountymd.gov	Recovery Support & Criminal Justice Services Unit Supervisor	Provides assessment, referral & case management services to individuals in Howard County Drug/DUI Court.	Call the Drug/DUI Court Coordinator (Jack Altfather - 410-480-7730)	Adults



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<b>8505 Evaluations</b>	Chris Collins	6280/1149	ccollins@howardcountymd.gov	Recovery Support & Criminal Justice Services Unit Supervisor	Provides court-ordered assessments to determine an individual's amenability for long-term inpatient treatment.	All 8-505 assessment referrals are court-ordered.	Adults
<b>Guiding Good Choices Trainings</b>	Liesele Wood	6285	lwood@howardcountymd.gov	Prevention Program Administrator	Providing guidance & support to organizations offering Guiding Good Choices cycles.	Call Email	General Public Organizations Stakeholders
<b>Family Support Grant</b>	Miriam Bennett	6281	mbennett@howardcountymd.gov	Systems Management Unit Coordinator	Grant Monitor/Technical Support	Call Email	Providers
<b>Family Options Program</b>	Colleen Nester	0613	cnester@howardcountymd.gov	Youth & Family Support Services Supervisor	Supports young families to reach their fullest potential by providing home visiting, group meetings, & case management services.	Call/Email Program Supervisor	First-time mothers age 19 or younger who are pregnant or parenting a child under age 2; Howard County resident



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<b>Harm Reduction &amp; Syringe Service Program</b>	Howie Newton	6112	wnewton@howardcountymd.gov	Recovery Support and Harm Reduction Supervisor	The Harm Reduction Program and Syringe Services Program is a program that offers intravenous drug users risk reduction education/services and sterile syringes to reduce the spread of infectious diseases. The program also provides referrals to treatment and other services.	Call/Email, and Walk-Ins (During Mobile SSP Days and Hours)	Adults (The SSP will operate in here in Howard County, but we will serve all seeking services regardless of county or state of residence)
	Scott Sheldon	6227	ssheldon@howardcountymd.gov	Peer Recovery Specialist Supervisor			
	Jack Matthews	7689	ermatthews@howardcountymd.gov	Peer Recovery Support Specialists			
	Latrice Clark	(667) 203-1253	laclark@howardcountymd.gov				
	Arron Hall	(667) 203-1253	ahall@howardcountymd.gov				



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<b>Healthy Transitions Grant</b>	Kenyatta Cully	7378	kcully@howardcountymd.gov	Child & Adolescent Coordinator	Youth-Driven, strength based and non-stigmatizing program that empowers young people who struggle with mental illness to manage their mental health symptoms effectively & successfully transition into adult.	Call/Email Child & Adolescent Services Coordinator	16-25 years of age Howard County Resident experiencing signs & symptoms of a mental health condition
<b>Local Behavioral Health Authority Board related questions</b>	Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy	7316	rrbonaccorsy@howardcountymd.gov	Bureau Director	BBH/LBHA Services Management	Call/Email with questions	General Public Organizations Stakeholders
<b>Local Care Team (LCT)</b>	Kenyatta Cully	7378	kcully@howardcountymd.gov	Child & Adolescent Coordinator	An interagency council designed to provide resources & support to families who need to access services for a young person with intensive behavioral health & emotional needs.	Call/Email Child & Adolescent Services Coordinator.	Children Youth Young Adults under the age of 18 years
<b>Mental Health Foreign-born referrals/case management</b>	Heidi Weiss-Beedie	5711	hweissbeedie@howardcountymd.gov	Foreign-Born Outreach Coordinator	Provides linkages to mental health treatment for the foreign born/undocumented population	Call/Email to set up intake appointment	Adolescents Adults



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<b>Mental Health Consumer Support Funds</b>	Kimberly Fuller	7375	kifuller@howardcountymd.gov	Adult Services Coordinator	Provides financial assistance for housing, medications transportation, etc. to adults with a primary mental health diagnosis	Call/Email to set up intake appointment	Adolescents Adults
<b>Mental Health In-Home Intervention</b>	Kenyatta Cully	7378	kcully@howardcountymd.gov	Child & Adolescent Coordinator	The In-Home Services Program is designed to provide in-home intervention and support to help families manage their current situation in a way that keeps them together.	Call/Email Child & Adolescent Services Coordinator	Children Youth Young Adults under the age of 18 years
<b>Mental Health Psychogeriatric screening/referral &amp; information sharing</b>	Heidi Weiss-Beedie	5711	hweissbeedie@howardcountymd.gov	Psychogeriatric Coordinator	Provides linkages to care & other community resources for the older adult community	Call Email	Older Adults
<b>Mental Health Adult Residential Crisis Beds</b>	Kimberly Fuller	7375	kifuller@howardcountymd.gov	Adult Services Coordinator	Reviews/approves provider authorization requests in Beacon (Optum) for residential crisis placements	Provider submits request via Beacon (Optum)	Adults
<b>Mental Health referrals, medication referral</b>	Kimberly Fuller	7375	kifuller@howardcountymd.gov	Adult Services Coordinator	Reviews/approves funding requests for psychiatric medications for adults with a primary mental health diagnosis	Call Email	Adults



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<b>Mental Health Residential Treatment Center referrals for children</b>	Kenyatta Cully	7378	kcully@howardcountymd.gov	Child & Adolescent Coordinator	An RTC is defined in Health-General Article, Title 19, Annotated Code of Maryland as a psychiatric institution that provides campus-based intensive & extensive evaluation and treatment of children and adolescents with severe and chronic emotional disturbances who require a self-contained therapeutic, educational, and recreational program in a residential setting.	Call/Email Child & Adolescent Services Coordinator	Children Adolescents
<b>Mental Health Supported Employment</b>	Kimberly Fuller	7375	kifuller@howardcountymd.gov	Adult Services Coordinator	Reviews/approves provider authorization requests in Beacon (Optum) for Supported Employment	Provider submits request via Beacon (Optum)	Adults
<b>Opioid Crisis Response information, opioid policy, opioid data, behavioral health community presentations</b>	Liesele Wood	6285	lwood@howardcountymd.gov	Prevention Program Administrator	All inquiries regarding opioid projects, funding, & outreach activities.	Call Email	General Public Organizations Stakeholders



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<b>Opioid Overdoes Response Program (ORP), Narcan/naloxone, behavioral health community presentation/events, health fairs</b>	Kaymisha Knights	6247	kknights@howardcountymd.gov	Behavioral Health Outreach/ Prevention Coordinator	Community trainings & presentations	Call Email	General Public Organizations Stakeholders
<b>Peer-based screen/referral from Police, Hospital, Fire &amp; Rescue, Grassroots, individual, family member, stakeholders</b>	Scott Sheldon	6277	ssheldon@howardcountymd.gov	Peer Recovery Specialist Supervisor	Peer Recovery Support Specialists are on-call with Howard County Police, Howard County General Hospital, and Howard County Fire and Rescue. If an individual has been involved with an opioid overdose or has a physical health issue related to the use of substances, they can request to meet with an HD peer to discuss treatment and referral options. In addition, peers can meet with individuals and families that are in the community if requested.	Individuals can be referred by the HCPD, HCGH, HC F&R. Individuals can also self-refer themselves and/or families for peer support. The peer support line is 667-203-1253.	Adults Adolescents Families
	Tom Benner	7689	tbenner@howardcountymd.gov	Peer Recovery Specialists			
	Catherine Blessing	5718	cblessing@howardcountymd.gov				
	Danny D'Alonzo	5718	ddalonzo@howardcountymd.gov				
	Claudia Lempges	5718	clempges@howardcountymd.gov				
	Jack Matthews	7689	ermatthews@howardcountymd.gov				



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<b>Sexual Health in Recovery</b>	Jack Matthews	7689	ermatthews@howardcountymd.gov	Peer Recovery Specialists	Sexual Health in Recovery is a 14-session curriculum that is designed to help people in recovery maintain abstinence by addressing sexual behaviors, thoughts, feelings, & experiences that may be linked to the use of substances.  These groups are gender specific & closed (once a group starts, no one new is allowed into the group).	If interested in having SHIR conducted in your agency, please contact Chris Collins to discuss	Adults
	Tom Benner	7689	tbenner@howardcountymd.gov	Peer Recovery Specialists			
	Chris Collins	6280/1149	ccollins@howardcountymd.gov	Recovery Support & Criminal Justice Services Unit Supervisor			
<b>State Care Coordination &amp; Maryland Recovery Net (MDRN) funding program</b>	Claudia Salomon	6288	csalomon@howardcountymd.gov	Care Coordinator	Monitors and coordinates services to assist adults with primary Substance Use Disorders as they re-integrate into the community.	Call/Email to schedule an intake appointment	Adults



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<b>Referrals &amp; Linkages to Outpatient &amp; Inpatient Behavioral Health Services &amp; Residential Crisis Placements. Clinical Oversight of State Care Coordination, Adult Services, Foreign Born/Psychogeriatric &amp; Systems Coordination Units. Clinical Supervision at Howard Detention Center. Review &amp; approve Pregnant/Women with Children SUD placements. Primary contact for Records Requests.</b>	Shereen Cabrera-Bentley	6294	scabrera@howardcountymd.gov	Resource Linkage/Care Coordination Unit Supervisor	Clinical/Technical oversight of the Adult Services, Systems Unit Management, Care Coordination and Foreign Born/Psychogeriatric Programs. Primary contact for Howard County Pregnant/Women with Children referrals. Primary contact for request for record inquiries	Call Email	Community Providers
<b>Substance Use Treatment residential referrals</b>	Miriam Bennett	6281	mbennett@howardcountymd.gov	Systems Management Unit Coordinator	Reviews/monitors referrals for Substance Use Treatment services with contracted providers	Call Email	Adults



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<b>Youth Suicide Prevention</b>	Kayla Blasher	6240	kblasher@howardcountymd.gov	Behavioral Health Navigator/Youth Suicide Prevention Coordinator	Youth Suicide Prevention Program includes increasing awareness & reducing stigma, prevention, early identification & intervention, referral to treatment, & postvention.	N/A	Children Adolescents Young Adults