



2023 Goals and Plans Form

Putnam County Mental Health Services

Goal 1: Establish a Crisis Stabilization Center

Goal 2: Implement the Opiate Settlement Fund to reduce opiate overdose both fatal and non fatal.

Goal 3: Establish linkages to a State Crisis system that manages the care of persons with ID and DD who are in crisis in the ER

Goal 4 (Optional): Establish a Mobile Crisis Team

Goal 5 (Optional): Develop a Co-Occurring system of Care that ensures that persons with multiple disabilities have trauma informed comprehensive treatment

Annual and intermediate plans for addiction services:

We plan to implement our Opiate Settlement funding plan to provide services that will reduce opiate overdose..

We also plan to meet the need to improve access to both residential and outpatient treatment for adolescents.

We would like to increase training so that all providers are proficient in co-occurring disorder treatment.

There are no sober homes or halfway houses in the County for women and that will be a priority.

Annual and intermediate plans for developmental disability services:

Persons with Developmental Disabilities that are brought to the ER in crisis have no safe discharge plan options. This leaves them to either stay in the hospital inappropriately or be discharged home to wait for the next crisis. This has resulted in crises that involve the law enforcement and justice system leaving persons with DD to be arrested and incarcerated for long periods of time. A crisis response capable of providing residential services to persons in crisis is required.

Annual and intermediate plans for mental health services:

1)Putnam County Government has set aside \$2.5 million in ARPA funding for the establishment of a Crisis Stabilization Center in Putnam . Work has already begun on identifying a site and the cost of renovation .

2)Putnam County has not had a mobile crisis team since funding was redirected from that team to Putnam Hospital ER with the idea that crisis response should be centered in the ER. Over the years the reality of law enforcement being the front line in Crisis Response makes clear that we need to rethink this policy. Hence the need for a mobile

crisis team.

3) There are unacceptable waiting lists in outpatient clinics for those seeking treatment . While this occurs for Adults the need is more acute for adolescents and children needing mental health intervention. Putnam County has begun several initiatives to liaison with schools to address the mental health needs of students but the capacity to see these children in outpatient clinics does not exist.

4) Transportation to supportive services for adolescents such as after school programs that will sustain recovery for both mental health as well as substance use disorder is also identified as a need by the public.

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2023 Needs Assessment Form

Putnam County Mental Health Services

Adverse Childhood Experiences Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Case Management/Care Coordination Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? No

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Crisis Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Cross System Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Employment/volunteer (client) Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Forensics Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Housing Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Inpatient Treatment Yes

Applies to OASAS? No

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Non-Clinical Supports Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Outpatient Treatment Yes

Applies to OASAS? No

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Prevention Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Refugees and Immigrants Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? No

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Residential Treatment Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? No

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Respite Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional):

Transition Age Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? No

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Youth Only

Need description (Optional): DSS works hard to try and transition foster children who are aging out of foster care system. however the mental health issues presented by the child often cause them to make decisions to leave foster care and then provides them with less supports.

Transportation Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional): This need identified in public meetings in discussion re the opiate settlement funding plan. Especially pertinent to transportation to those supportive services such as adolescent groups that are not treatment specific and not Medicaid reimbursable.

Workforce Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes

Applies to OMH? Yes

Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Need description (Optional): The workforce issue , meaning the lack of fully staffed programs and agencies, makes it impossible to access treatment services. Case managers come and go often, there is no continuity. Agencies that should have a minimum of two psychiatrists have one. And since the pandemic Psychiatrists prefer to only work remotely. This is a problem for all but especially for the elderly who have more difficulty receiving services via telehealth for a variety of reasons.

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