Goals and Objectives 2024 Rockland County Department of Mental Health

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Goal 1

Goal 1: Title Increase access to intermediate levels of care

Goal 1: Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2028

Goal 1: Description Increase options for intermediate levels of care so that referrals to emergency rooms and inpatient hospitalization can be prevented where possible. Programs that provide intermediate levels of care help bridge the gap between clinic and inpatient treatment. These programs can also help individuals transition back to their home and community after an inpatient stay or ED visit. For many people, clinic or office-based outpatient treatment is insufficient, leading to an escalation of symptoms and eventual referral to the emergency department to be evaluated for inpatient. Most of these individuals do not meet admission criteria for inpatient and are discharged home without any increase in the intensity/frequency of services they are receiving. Once programs offering intermediate levels of care are established, ensure that the primary care and behavioral health provider communities, individuals, and families are aware of these options and how to access them.

Goal 1: OASAS? Yes Goal 1: OMH? Yes Goal 1: OPWDD? Yes

Goal 1: Need Addressed 1 Crisis Services
Goal 1: Need Addressed 2 Inpatient Treatment
Goal 1: Need Addressed 3 Outpatient treatment

Goal 1, Objective 1: Title Intensive Crisis Stabilization Center integration

Goal 1, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2026

Goal 1, Objective 1, Description Facilitate integration of new regional Intensive Crisis Stabilization Center into adult and child systems of care via messaging on social media, at stakeholder and community meetings and on County website.

Goal 2

Goal 2: Title Improve messaging and marketing of behavioral health services and simplify access to and navigation of the behavioral health system.

Goal 2: Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2028

Goal 2: Description The OMH community feedback sessions revealed a need to improve messaging and marketing of behavioral health services in the region. Locally, there is a need to simplify access to and navigation of the behavioral health system. Services exist, but the system is large and complicated, leaving families and individuals unclear as to which services are available and how to access them. The goal is to simplify access and navigation by having a single point of contact for behavioral health services and fully developing an online listing of behavioral health resources within the County.

Goal 2: OASAS? Yes Goal 2: OMH? Yes Goal 2: OPWDD? Yes

Goal 2: Need Addressed 1 Outpatient treatment

Goal 2: Need Addressed 2 Respite

Goal 2: Need Addressed 3 Crisis Services

Goal 2, Objective 1: Title Sustainability determination

Goal 2, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2025

Goal 2, Objective 1, Description Investigate the sustainability of different options for a single point of contact for behavioral health services

Goal 2, Objective 2: Title Optimize online resource directory

Goal 2, Objective 2, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2025

Goal 2, Objective 2, Description Utilize DMH staff to optimize behavioral health listings on Arounja so they are comprehensive and accurate. DMH staff will reach out to providers semi-annually to obtain updated information on programs and services and update Arounja accordingly.

Goal 3

Goal 3: Title Improve utilization of data to inform decision making regarding service provision and community needs.

Goal 3: Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2028

Goal 3: Description The Department will become more data-driven in its decision making. This will include:

a. mining existing data sources provided by the state to create county-specific reports that help identify trends over time

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b. increasing data collection from OMH licensed clinics within the county so that there is sufficient data to identify service
provision by zip code, diagnosis, age, etc.
Goal 3: OASAS? Yes Goal 3: OMH? Yes Goal 3: OPWDD? Yes
Goal 3: Need Addressed 1 Inpatient Treatment
Goal 3: Need Addressed 2 Outpatient treatment
Goal 3: Need Addressed 3 Crisis Services
Goal 3, Objective 1: Title Better utilize existing state data
Goal 3, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2025
Goal 3, Objective 1, Description DMH Coordinators of services will review state provided data quarterly and work with
support staff to provide a year-end review of trends in their service area
Goal 3, Objective 2: Title Gather and analyze clinic data
Goal 3, Objective 2, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2025
Goal 3, Objective 2, Description Begin collecting quarterly data from clinic providers on census, diagnoses, zip codes and
ages of individuals served
Goal 4
Goal 4: Title Support agencies and their workforce by increasing access to relevant, high-quality trainings.
Goal 4: Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2026
Goal 4: Description Develop a training program that offers CEUs to support a well-trained workforce at OMH, OPWDD and
OASAS licensed programs. By doing so, these programs may experience improved staff retention due to an increase in
professional satisfaction by staff. A better trained workforce will benefit all who receive services.
Goal 4: OASAS? Yes Goal 4: OMH? Yes Goal 4: OPWDD? Yes
Goal 4: Need Addressed 1
                           Workforce
Goal 4: Need Addressed 2
                           Other
Goal 4: Need Addressed 3
Goal 4, Objective 1: Title Submit CEU application
Goal 4, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Jul 01, 2024
Goal 4, Objective 1, Description Obtain approval from the state to provide CEUs for LMHCs and Social Workers
Goal 5
Goal 5: Title Improve availability of SUD residential and housing programs
Goal 5: Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2026
Goal 5: Description Expand and improve services to individuals with SUD by addressing concerns about the lack of
accessible, quality residential and housing programs for people with a Substance Use Disorder (SUD).
Goal 5: OASAS? Yes Goal 5: OMH? No Goal 5: OPWDD? No
Goal 5: Need Addressed 1 Housing
Goal 5: Need Addressed 2
Goal 5: Need Addressed 3
Goal 5, Objective 1: Title Procure Oxford House services
Goal 5, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2024
Rockland County
Goal 5, Objective 2: Title Establish Oxford Houses
Goal 5, Objective 2, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2025
Goal 5, Objective 2, Description Establish 3 Oxford House recovery homes within Rockland County
Goal 5, Objective 3: Title
Goal 5, Objective 3, Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2025
Goal 5, Objective 3, Description
Goal 6
Goal 6: Title Improve quality and quantity of clinic services.
Goal 6: Target Completion Date Jan 01, 2026
Goal 6: Description Increase the number of clinics that offer open access, are culturally and linguistically accessible,
accept hospital discharges within the timeframe specified in the regulations, make continued attempts to re-engage difficult-
to-engage individuals, participate with commercial insurance, serve the uninsured, and provide evidence-based practices.
Improve the 7 and 30 day rates of follow-up with outpatient treatment after an ED visit or hospital discharge by increasing
availability of clinic appointments and by implementing transitional care management to help connect individuals who are
moving between levels of care to their next provider.
Goal 6: OASAS? No Goal 6: OMH? Yes Goal 6: OPWDD? No
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Goal 6: Need Addressed 1 Inpatient Treatment

Goal 6: Need Addressed 2 Crisis Services

Goal 6: Need Addressed 3

Goal 6, Objective 1: Title Identify funding, begin procurement
Goal 6, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Jul 01, 2024
Goal 6, Objective 1, Description Identify funding source and amount and issue RFP for a "safety-net" clinic

Goal 6, Objective 2: Title Identify funding, begin procurement
Goal 6, Objective 2, Target Completion Date Jul 01, 2024
Goal 6, Objective 2, Description Identify funding source and amount and issue RFP for a transitional care management

program

Update to 2024-2027 Goals and Objectives Rockland County Department of Mental Health

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Goal 1			
Title	Increase access to intermediate levels of care		
Update			
OBJECTIVES			
Intensive Crisis Stabil	ntensive Crisis Stabilization Center integration ["]		
OBJECTIVE UPDATES			
2 Reestablish HBCI			
3 Once established, integrate Youth ACT into Rockland's SOC			

Goal 2		
Title	Improve messaging and marketing of behavioral health services and simplify access to and navigation of the behavioral health system.	
Update		
OBJECTIVES		
Sustainability determination Complete		Complete
Optimize online resource directory Ongoing		Ongoing
OBJECTIVE UPDATES		
3 Determine feasibility of three digit phone number		

Goal 3		
Title	Improve utilization of data to inform decision making regarding service provision and community needs.	
Update		
OBJECTIVES		
Better utilize existing state data Ongoing		
Gather and analyze clinic data Ongoing		
OBJECTIVE UPDATES		
3 Develop annual report of Rockland's behavioral health data		

Goal 4		
Title	Support agencies and their workforce by increasing access to relevant, high-quality trainings.	
Update	The RFP process to identify an agency to administer the training institute has been completed.	
OBJECTIVES		
Submit CEU application ["]		
OBJECTIVE UPDATES		
2 Develop an advisory board for the Training Institute		

Goal #5			
Title	Improve availability of SUD residential and housing programs		
Update	Contracting with Oxford House is being finalized.		
OBJECTIVES			
Procure Oxford I	Procure Oxford House services Complete		
Establish Oxford	h Oxford Houses Ongoing		
OBJECTIVE UPDATES			
2 Establish one Oxford House			
3 Establish second Oxford House			
4 Establish third Oxford House			

Goal #6			
Title	Improve quality and quantity of clinic services.		
Update			
OBJECTIVES			
Identify funding, begin	fy funding, begin procurement ["]		
Identify funding, begin procurement ["]			
OBJECTIVE UPDATES			
1 Establish re-entry program at RCJ			
2 Optimize Medication Grant Program			
3 Implement pilot of Complex Care Enhancement			

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Crisis Services Yes
Applies to OASAS? Yes
Applies to OMH? Yes
Applies to OPWDD? Yes
Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults
Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? Yes
Need description (Optional):

Cross System Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? No Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Rockland has recently started focusing more on our children's System of Care which has started to bridge some gaps between systems however, there are still apparent disconnects which create obstacles when serving families. One way this is apparent is when a caregiver refuses to pick up their child from the ED or inpatient setting after they have been clinically cleared. While the mental health system can offer in-home services and PHP level of care (for example) to support the youth at home or during a transitional housing experience, the child welfare system does not have options that address the housing need.

The IDD population are usually unable to access appropriate mental health or substance use interventions when deemed appropriate. Those children/adolescents that are in the care of DSS are unable to utilize OPWDD services due to policy restrictions.

Adults in the criminal justice system oftentimes struggle with transitioning back into the community and being linked to outpatient services.

Housing Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No Need description (Optional):

Access to affordable, appropriate housing in Rockland is scarce in general. Access for specific housing that caters to the IDD or adult SMI population is even scarcer. The application process, especially through OPWDD, is long and arduous and the wait just for an interview can take over a year sometimes and once approved there continues to a be a wait for an available spot.

For those adults eligible for SPOA housing, there is always a wait and there are many policies that make opportunities less accessible for people. Specific housing for younger adults does not exist and they

must decide if they can live successfully with much older individuals or face homelessness. We are excited for the opportunity to add beds to the Hudson Valley for treatment apartments and hope that will alleviate some of the need as will Oxford Houses for individuals in recovery. Reimbursement rates are often not enough for those seeking supported housing.

In Rockland, we do not have a youth/young adult shelter. Many young people who are unhoused for different reasons have nowhere to go and may wind up in unsafe situations to avoid returning home.

Inpatient Treatment Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes Need Applies to: Youth Only

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): The OMH and OPWDD issues re: inpatient are included in the Goals and Objectives. Rockland County has identified the need for OASAS inpatient treatment beds for youth under the age of 18 for Part 816 Medically Managed Withdrawal and Stabilization Services and 818 Inpatient Rehabilitation Services. Youth under the age of 18 do not have the option of receiving these services anywhere within the region despite there being an increasing need. Rockland continually faces the challenge of helping youth who are actively using substances that need a medical detoxification and/or inpatient rehabilitation without the services. Youth are often turned away from the Emergency Departments (ED) because there are no services available for referral. With no options, youth often continue to use to prevent withdrawal which puts them at a higher risk for overdose and death, especially if they recently were given Narcan to reverse an earlier overdose.

Outpatient Treatment Yes

Applies to OASAS? No Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? Yes

Need description (Optional):

Prevention Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? No Applies to OPWDD? No

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Rockland County has identified prevention as the third highest unmet need within the county. RC's population was 339,022 as of the 2022 census with 3 prevention providers delivering services. Although they provide a wide range of services throughout the community to individuals, families, and communities, they are unable to reach the majority of the population. Current statistics indicate that OASAS prevention providers are only in 28% of schools statewide, which leaves the majority of youth without any prevention services. This leaves most of our youth without any interventions to reduce risk factors and increase protective factors and our adults without the education necessary to make informed decisions regarding substance use.

Refugees and Immigrants Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): About 21% of Rockland County's total population is made up of foreign-born individuals. This is much higher than the 13.5% national average for this category. This number is made

up of both immigrants and refugees who have made their home here in Rockland. Many individuals are unable or unwilling to access mental health and/or SUD services if needed based on cultural stigma. It has also been difficult for providers across all systems to fill positions with bilingual staff (especially Spanish and Haitian/Creole). Providers especially struggle when hiring psychiatrists or NPs who speak one of these languages. Many individuals may be uninsured creating another barrier to accessing services. Those uninsured with IDD struggle even more to gain the support they need to be successful as there are extremely limited options for them. These individuals are also affected by the same barriers outlined in the other need categories.

Rockland does benefit from a large array of services and providers for the Yiddish and Hebrew speaking community.

Residential Treatment Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional):

OMH: The Hudson Valley, and thus Rockland, has no RTF's for children/adolescents anymore with the news of Astor's closure. While we understand the move to more community-based services there will always be some children in need of a higher level of care. For Rockland families, this now means sending their children to Albany or the NYC area, creating a barrier for visits and family work.

OPWDD: Similar to housing, Rockland has very little access to residential programs for both adults with mental health challenges and those with IDD.

OASAS: We need more beds for individuals with co-occurring disorders and for the highest level of Residential services licensed by OASAS including: Supportive Living, Stabilization, Rehabilitative and Reintegration residences.

Respite Yes

Applies to OASAS? No Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): There is a lack of overnight respite services for children and youth with IDD. Families must send their children to other counties (if there are even beds available) if they are in need of respite services. For children with mental health needs the lack of workforce along with the lack of non-Medicaid services has created a scarcity in respite services for this population as well. Respite is often one of the most sought after programs that can assist children and their caregivers maintain a healthy relationship.

Transportation Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

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that may result in an increased use of the emergency departments. The lack of transportation within Rockland makes it challenging for local residents to engage in the treatment they need and want, despite their best efforts to do so.

Workforce Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): The training goal does address workforce but we felt this area of need required additional narrative. Rockland County has faced Workforce challenges throughout the behavioral health system of care. Agencies have struggled to hire professional, paraprofessional and support staff in all levels of care including but not limited to outpatient, inpatient, residential, and care management. Agencies have employed many interventions to try to address these challenges including job fairs, taking additional undergraduate and graduate interns, reaching out to colleges and offering a better benefit package. Despite these efforts, the SOC continues to struggle in finding, hiring and maintaining adequately trained staff. This has contributed to the lack of services in all levels of care and put a strain on the existing providers. Clients are unable to obtain the care they need and may even have to be on a waiting list to obtain proper services.

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Crisis Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No Need description (Optional): There is a need to consolidate the two crisis programs into one, to align with the new state guidance and billing expectations. Also, once the regional Intensive Crisis Stabilization Center is open, it will need to be integrated into the system of care.

Cross System Services Yes

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Forensics Yes

Applies to OASAS? No Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes Need Applies to: Adults Only

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): The County is fully responsible for the cost of competency restoration but has very limited access to information related to the individuals receiving competency restoration services and their progress. When defendants are at-liberty and 730 exams are ordered, the defendants often "no-show" but examiners still need to be paid for some of the time they set aside to perform the exam. Defendants can cycle between the local jail and the state psychiatric forensic facility: they receive medication over objection at the forensic facility and their competency is restored, then they refuse medication after being returned to the jail and require another 730 exam, are found to lack capacity, and go back to the state psychiatric forensic facility.

Housing Yes
Applies to OASA

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No Need description (Optional): We have contracted with Oxford House and expect to have 3 Oxford Houses within Rockland County within a year. Access to affordable, appropriate housing in Rockland is scarce in general. Access for specific housing that caters to the IDD or adult SMI population is even scarcer. The application process, especially through OPWDD, is long and arduous and the wait just for an interview can take over a year sometimes and once approved there continues to a be a wait for an available spot.

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Need description (Optional): Rockland County needs more beds for co-occurring clients who are struggling with both substance use and mental health challenges. We also are in need of additional levels of care within the continuum of OASAS licensed residential services. Rockland is in need of either the Stabilization or Rehabilitative levels of care. This would allow patients being discharged from inpatient rehabilitation an option to be treated within their county of residence.

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Transition Age Services Yes

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Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Youth/young adults with OPWDD services face a difficult transition upon completing school. The structure and social opportunities, as well as a respite from caregiving, that school provides end abruptly and there are not sufficient programs in the community to fill the gaps left upon graduation.

Transportation Yes

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Agency Name	Program Name	Program Type Name
Access: Supports for Living, Inc.	Children's Care Team (MRSS)	Crisis Intervention
		Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
AlleyValley LLC	Alley Valley	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
		CFTSS: Children's Mental Health
AlleyValley LLC	Alley Valley CFTSS	Rehabilitation Services
Astor Services for Children & Families	Rockland Partial Hospitalization Program	Partial Hospitalization
Bikur Cholim, Inc. d/b/a Achieve Beh.		CORE Community Psychiatric Support and
Health	Achieve - CORE Services	Treatment (CPST)
Bikur Cholim, Inc. d/b/a Achieve Beh.		CORE Empowerment Services - Peer
Health	Achieve - CORE Services	Supports
Bikur Cholim, Inc. d/b/a Achieve Beh.		
Health	Achieve - CORE Services	CORE Family Support and Training (FST)
Bikur Cholim, Inc. d/b/a Achieve Beh.		
Health	Achieve - CORE Services	CORE Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR)
Bikur Cholim, Inc. d/b/a Achieve Beh.		Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
Health	Achieve Behavioral Health	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
Bikur Cholim, Inc. d/b/a Achieve Beh.		CFTSS: Children's Mental Health
Health	Achieve Behavioral Health CFTSS/CMHRS	Rehabilitation Services
		Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
CANDLE - Community Awareness Network		Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
CHDFS, Inc.	CFTSS: Family Peer Support Services	CFTSS: Family Peer Support Services (FPSS)
CHDFS, Inc.	CFTSS: Psychosocial Rehabilitation	CFTSS: Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR)
CHDFS, Inc.	CFTSS: Youth Peer Support and Training	CFTSS: Youth Peer Support (YPS)
CHDFS, Inc.	CHDFS SMH CMA	Specialty Mental Health Care
		Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
Community Medical & Dental Care Inc.	Community Medical & Dental Care, Inc.	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
Eating Disorder Treatment of New York,		Community Residence for Eating Disorder
LLC	Monte Nido Rockland	Integrated Treatment Program
	Monsignor Patrick J. Frawley Mental	Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
Good Samaritan Hospital	Health Clinic	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
	Community Psychiatric Support and	CORE Community Psychiatric Support and
Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.	Treatment (SCT)	Treatment (CPST)
Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.	Family Support and Training (FST)	CORE Family Support and Training (FST)

Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.	Habilitation Services	Adult BH HCBS Habilitation
Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.	Hamaspik of Rockland SMH CMA	Specialty Mental Health Care
Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.	Peer Support Services	CORE Empowerment Services - Peer
Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.	Pre-Vocational Services	Adult BH HCBS Pre-Vocational Services
Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.	Psychosocial Rehabilitation	CORE Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR)
Haverstraw - Stony Point CSD	Student Mental Health Support for School	School Mental Health Program
	Community Oriented Recovery and	CORE Empowerment Services - Peer
Jawonio, Inc.	Empowerment Services (E-PS)	Supports
	Community Oriented Recovery and	
Jawonio, Inc.	Empowerment Services (FST)	CORE Family Support and Training (FST)
	Community Oriented Recovery and	
Jawonio, Inc.	Empowerment Services (PSR)	CORE Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR)
Jawonio, Inc.	Jawonio - HH CM	Health Home Care Management
Jawonio, Inc.	Jawonio - HH NonMed CM	Health Home Non-Medicaid Care
Jawonio, Inc.	Jawonio PROS	Comprehensive PROS with Clinical
Jawonio, Inc.	PROS Employment Initiative	PROS Employment Initiative
Jawonio, Inc.	Social Recreation & Wellness	Recreation and/or Fitness
Jawonio, Inc.	[Agency Name] SMH CMA	Specialty Mental Health Care
Loeb House, Inc.	Loeb House - Charles G. Davis House	Congregate/Treatment
Loeb House, Inc.	Loeb House - Harold V. Keahon Comm.	Congregate/Treatment
Loeb House, Inc.	Loeb House - MJC Treatment Apartments	Apartment/Treatment
	Loeb House - Supported Housing/Rockland	
Loeb House, Inc.	Co Comm. Svcs	Supportive Housing
	Loeb House - The Luken's Family	
Loeb House, Inc.	Community Residence	Congregate/Treatment
	Loeb House SH/Transformation SH -	
Loeb House, Inc.	Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
	Loeb House Supp Housing/RCE SH	
Loeb House, Inc.	Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
	Loeb House Supp Housing/Rockland Co PC	
Loeb House, Inc.	Long Stay - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
	Loeb House/MRT Supp Housing Rockland	
Loeb House, Inc.	Co Comm. Svcs	Supportive Housing
Loeb House, Inc.	Take Five	Crisis/Respite Beds

Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Bernstein House	Congregate/Treatment
Mental Health Association of Rockland		CFTSS: Community Psychiatric Support
County,	CFTSS - CPST - 575	and Treatment (CPST)
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	CFTSS - FPSS - 570	CFTSS: Family Peer Support Services (FPSS)
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	CFTSS - OLP	CFTSS: Other Licensed Practitioner (OLP)
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	CFTSS - PSR - 573	CFTSS: Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR)
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	CFTSS - YPS - 572	CFTSS: Youth Peer Support (YPS)
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Compeer	Self-Help Programs
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Consumer Outreach	Outreach
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Cornell Residence	Congregate/Treatment
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Deafness Advocacy	Advocacy/Support Services
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Drop In Center	Drop In Centers
Mental Health Association of Rockland		Family Peer Support Services - Children &
County,	Family Support C&Y	Family
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Health Home Care Management C&Y	Health Home Care Management
Mental Health Association of Rockland	Health Home Non Medicaid Care	Health Home Non-Medicaid Care
County,	Management	Management
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Jeannette Bernstein Apartments	Apartment/Treatment
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	MHA Children's Respite Services	Respite Services
Mental Health Association of Rockland	MHA Rockland SH/Rockland Cty PC Long	
County,	Stay - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing

Mental Health Association of Rockland County,	MHA Rockland SH/Transformation SH Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
Mental Health Association of Rockland	MHA Rockland Supp Housing/RCE SH	o approximation of the second
County,	Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
Mental Health Association of Rockland	MHA Rockland/MRT Supp Housing	
County,	Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
Mental Health Association of Rockland		CFTSS: Children's Mental Health
County,	MHA of Rockland CFTSS	Rehabilitation Services
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	MHA of Rockland County - HH CM	Health Home Care Management
Mental Health Association of Rockland	MHA of Rockland County - HH NonMed	Health Home Non-Medicaid Care
County,	CM	Management
Mental Health Association of Rockland	MHA of Rockland County - Supported	
County,	Housing - Comm. Svcs	Supportive Housing
Mental Health Association of Rockland	Mental Health Association of Rockland	Specialty Mental Health Care
County,	County SMH CMA (AOT)	Management
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Mobile Outreach Team	Outreach
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Nanuet House	Congregate/Treatment
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	PROS Employment Initiative	PROS Employment Initiative
Mental Health Association of Rockland	Program for Self Discovery: Change	Comprehensive PROS with Clinical
County,	Happens	Treatment
Mental Health Association of Rockland		
County,	Rockland ACT Program	Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)
Mental Health Association of Westchester	•	Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
Coun	Upper Nyack Clinic	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
Montefiore Nyack Hospital	Nyack Hospital Psychiatric Inpatient	Inpatient Psychiatric Unit of a General
NAMI Rockland	Advocacy Services	Advocacy/Support Services
NAMI Rockland	Family Support Services	Family Peer Support Services - Children &
Rockland Children's Psychiatric Center	Rockland Children's Psychiatric Center	State Psychiatric Center Inpatient
Rockland County Dept. of Mental Health		
LGU	Community Mental Health Services	Outreach

Rockland County Dept. of Mental Health		
LGU	Monitoring and Evaluation, CSS	Monitoring and Evaluation, CSS
Rockland County Dept. of Mental Health		
LGU	Rockland County - Non-Medicaid CC	Non-Medicaid Care Coordination
Rockland County Dept. of Mental Health		
LGU	Transition Management Services	Transition Management Services
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	C.L.U.E. IV	Congregate/Treatment
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	Marty Langer Home	Congregate/Treatment
	RHG Supp Housing/RCE SH Rockland Cty -	
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
	RHG Supp Housing/Transformation SH	
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	Rockland Hospital Guild / C.L.U.E. I	Congregate/Treatment
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	Rockland Hospital Guild / C.L.U.E. II	Apartment/Treatment
	Rockland Hospital Guild SH / C.L.U.E. III-	
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	Comm.Svcs.	Supportive Housing
	Rockland Hospital Guild SH/Rockland Co	
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	PC Long Stay Comm Svc	Supportive Housing
	Rockland Hospital Guild/MRT Supp Hsing	
Rockland Hospital Guild, Inc.	Rockland Cty-Comm Svc	Supportive Housing
	Rockland Paramedic Services Behavioral	
Rockland Paramedic Services, Inc.	Health Response Team	Crisis Intervention
	Rockland Paramedic Services Home Based	
Rockland Paramedic Services, Inc.	Crisis Intervention	Home Based Crisis Intervention
Rockland Psychiatric Center	Rockland Psychiatric Center	State Psychiatric Center Inpatient
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Addeo Residence	Congregate/Treatment
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Bluefields Residence (MI/MR)	Congregate/Treatment
	CFTSS Community Psychiatric Support &	CFTSS: Community Psychiatric Support
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Treatment	and Treatment (CPST)
Saint Dominic's Family Services	CFTSS Family Peer Support Services	CFTSS: Family Peer Support Services (FPSS)
Saint Dominic's Family Services	CFTSS Other Licensed Practitioner	CFTSS: Other Licensed Practitioner (OLP)
Saint Dominic's Family Services	CFTSS Psychosocial Rehbilitation	CFTSS: Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR)
Saint Dominic's Family Services	CFTSS Youth Peer Support & Training	CFTSS: Youth Peer Support (YPS)
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Family Support Network	Family Peer Support Services - Children &

Saint Dominic's Family Services	Lakewood Drive Apartments	Apartment/Treatment
		CFTSS: Children's Mental Health
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Saint Dominic's Family Services	Rehabilitation Services
	St. Dominic's SH/Rockland Co PC Long Sta	ч
Saint Dominic's Family Services	- Comm. Svcs	Supportive Housing
	St. Dominic's SH/Transformation SH	
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
	St. Dominic's Supp Housing/RCE SH	
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Rockland Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
	St. Dominic's Supported Housing\Rocklan	d
Saint Dominic's Family Services	- Comm. Svcs	Supportive Housing
	St. Dominic's/MRT Supp Housing Rocklan	d
Saint Dominic's Family Services	Cty - Comm Svcs	Supportive Housing
		Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
Sentinel Services Group, Inc.	Serenity Center	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
		Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
The Derech Shalom Center, Inc.	The Derech Shalom Center	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)
		Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and
VCS Inc.	VCS Mental Health Clinic	Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS)