

Community Behavioral Health Liaisons (CBHLs)



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Missouri's Crisis Continuum

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Behavioral Health
Crisis Centers

988 Website and Resources



<https://www.missouri988.org/>

Short informational videos under the 'Learn' tab

<https://missouri988storefront.com/DSF/SmartStore.aspx?6xni2of2cF3+bDOybkRF9a+0kz2TrMprVnYyZZTWRtKXNXTmagg5cUnWEe9piz86q>

988 items and merch can be ordered free of charge

Community Behavioral Health Liaisons (CBHL)

- Established in 2013 as part of the Strengthening Missouri's Mental Health System Initiative
- Employed by behavioral health providers
- Initially only 31 CBHLs to cover the state
- Expanded to 81 CBHLs in 2021
- Now have 116 CBHLs!



CBHL Goals



- Maintain community partnerships with crisis systems, law enforcement, jails, and courts
- Improve outcomes for those with behavioral health disorders who have contact with the justice system
- Connect people with needed treatment and supports

CBHL Role

Answer general behavioral health questions



Assist law enforcement and courts with involuntary commitments



Facilitate access to behavioral health services



Provide training about all behavioral health



Crisis Intervention Teams (CIT)

CBHL Role

- Primary referral sources:
 - Law enforcement (not co-responders)
 - Courts
 - Jails
- Consult and follow up on complex cases
- Coordinate with all local resources and crisis response programs



CBHL Role in Courts and Jails



- Dedicated CBHLs for all judicial circuits and the jails
- “Office Hours” in courtrooms and jails regularly
- Assist judges, attorneys, and jail administrators with identifying diversion opportunities
- Early screening for behavioral health and other health-related social needs

CBHL Role in Courts and Jails

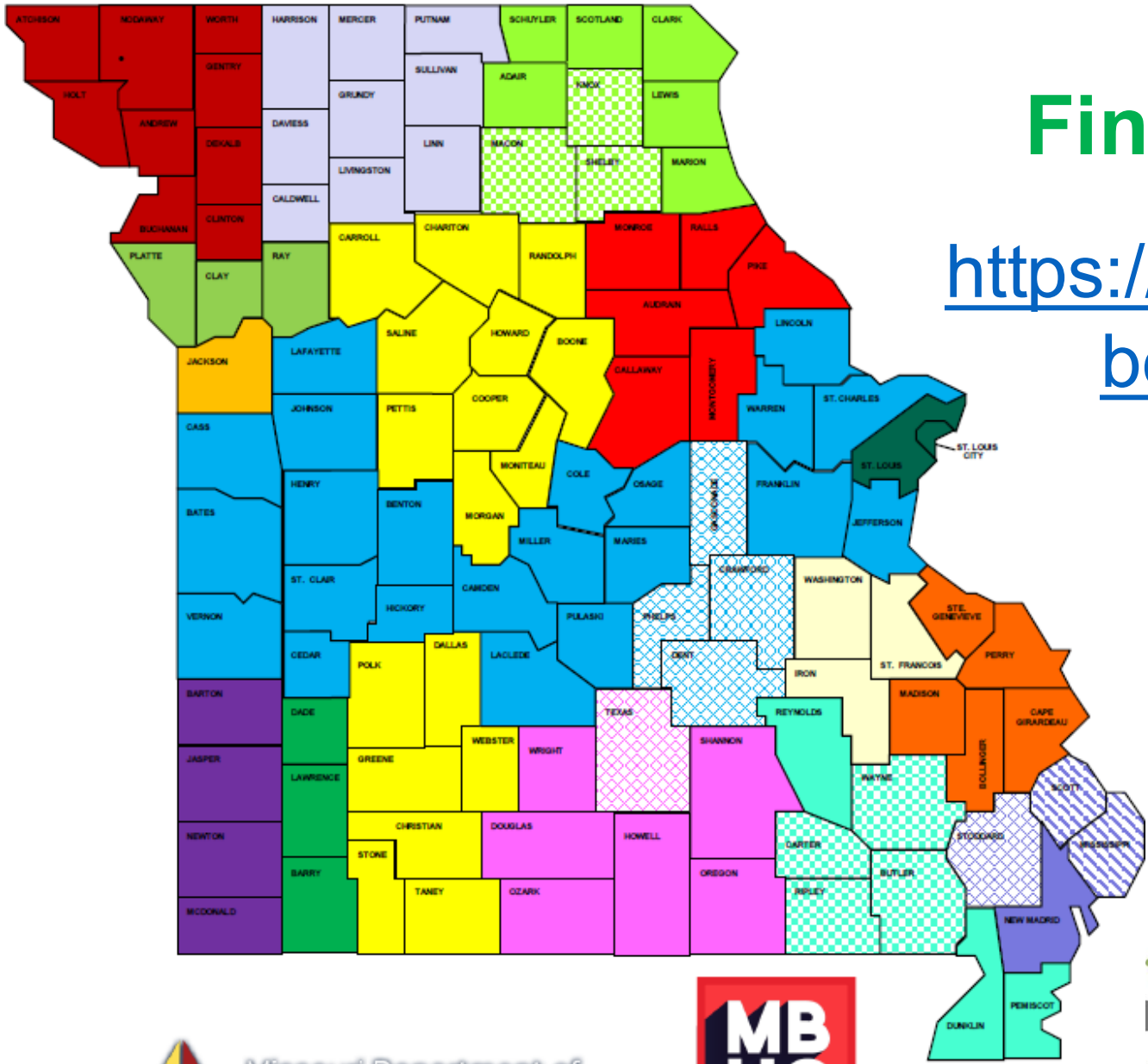
- Cannot provide treatment or diagnose
- Will communicate with stakeholders and coordinate care with all services (inc. discharge from jail to community)
- Provide options and alternatives to reduce the need for a competency order, reduce DMH facility waitlists, and facilitate options for competency restoration
- Cannot guarantee a “bed” if inpatient services are needed, but will do everything to facilitate access and identify options for the individual

CBHL Role in Communities



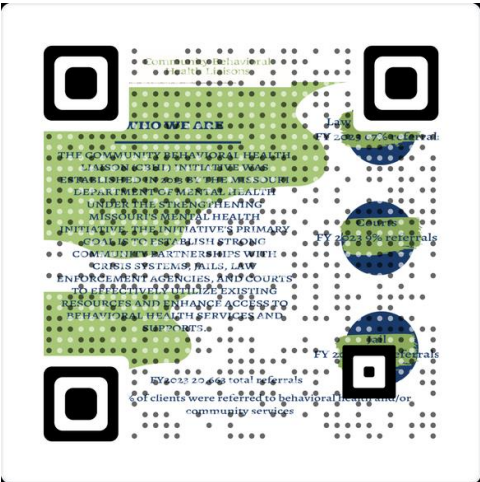
Your go-to person to connect individuals and collaborate across multiple systems –
Boundary Spanners!





Find and Contact CBHLs

<https://www.mobhc.org/community-behavioral-health-liaisons>



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Improving Access to Behavioral Health Care





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