

Excellence in Mental Health and Addiction Treatment

For too long, our country has funded health care above the neck differently than health care below the neck. Senator Stabenow's leadership is transforming the way we deliver comprehensive behavioral health services in our communities. For the first time, we are funding behavioral health services the same way we fund physical health services. As the need for mental health and addiction services has become more urgent in this pandemic, her Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics are helping people in Michigan and across the country get the care they need.

Services Available at Certified Clinics

- 24/7/365 crisis services
- Outpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment
- Immediate screening, risk assessment, and diagnosis
- Primary health care services
- Care coordination with community partners

Excellence in Mental Health and Addiction Treatment Act

In 2014, Senator Stabenow authored and passed her bipartisan Excellence in Mental Health and Addiction Treatment Act with Senator Roy Blunt (R-MO). It is the biggest step forward in expanding community mental health and addiction services in decades. Her legislation created high-quality standards for services and a nationwide demonstration program that is setting the standard for care and permanently closing the gap in funding between physical and behavioral health care in communities around the country. With Senator Stabenow's leadership and support, Michigan joined this demonstration program in 2020. In June, Senator Stabenow's and Senator Blunt's legislation was included in the bipartisan Safer Communities Act, expanding

high-quality mental health and addiction services nationwide.

Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics

The Excellence in Mental Health and Addiction Treatment Act established quality standards and a new provider type in Medicaid called Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics. These new clinics receive reimbursement through Medicaid for the full cost of services they provide at higher, more competitive rates than community mental health centers currently receive.

There are now more than 500 Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics in 42 states, plus Washington D.C. and Guam, and that number continues to grow.

Better Care, Better Outcomes

<u>A report</u> by the National Council for Behavioral Health shows that Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics are helping more people receive better mental health and addiction treatment. For example, in the first year of operations, 93% of clinics provided staff training in suicide prevention and response, 87% reported an increased number of people served, and 94% reported an increase in the number of people treated for addiction.

According to the Department of Health and Human Services, people who received services at Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics:

- Had 69% fewer emergency department visits for behavioral health
- Spent 60.3% less time in jails
- Saw a 40.7% decrease in homelessness

Michigan Clinics

Since 2018, Michigan has received \$151 million in grant funding for 38 Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics, and that number is growing:

Alternative Community Living, Inc. - Pontiac

Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS) - Dearborn

Barry County Community Mental Health Authority – Hastings

Berrien Mental Health Authority - Benton Harbor

Cherry Health - Grand Rapids

- * Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton & Ingham Counties Lansing
- * Community Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services of St. Joseph County Centreville
- * CNS Healthcare Novi

Detroit Central City Community Mental Health, Inc. - Detroit

Detroit Recovery Project, Inc. - Detroit

Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries – Detroit

Development Centers, Inc. - Detroit

* Easter Seals-Michigan, Inc. – Auburn Hills

Easter Seals-Michigan, Inc. - Macomb County

Elmhurst Home, Inc. - Detroit

Faith Hope and Love Outreach Center - Detroit

Genesee Health System – Flint

- * Guidance Center Southgate
- * HealthWest Muskegon

Hegira Health – Livonia

* Integrated Services of Kalamazoo - Kalamazoo

Judson Center, Inc. - Royal Oak

Lapeer County - Lapeer

Lifeways – Jackson

* Macomb County Community Mental Health - Clinton Township

Neighborhood Service Organization - Detroit

Network180 - Grand Rapids

OnPoint - Allegan

Ottawa County Community Mental Health – Holland

Pines Behavioral Health Sevices - Coldwater

- * Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority Saginaw
- * St. Clair County Community Mental Health Authority Port Huron

Sanilac County Community Mental Health - Sanilac

Southwest Counseling Solutions, Inc. - Detroit

Summit Pointe - Battle Creek

- * The Right Door for Hope, Recovery, and Wellness Ionia
- * Washtenaw County Community Mental Health Ypsilanti
- * West Michigan Community Mental Health System Ludington