# Local Behavioral Health Authority/Local Management Board

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# Garrett County Local Behavioral Health Authority (LBHA)

GCLBHA is the management agency for publicly funded mental health and substance related disorder services. The agency strives to improve these services to residents of Garrett County, works to better integrate existing services, and to expand services currently available. We also assist persons in receiving medication, transportation to services, housing and employment.

GCLBHA is funded through grants from the Maryland Department of Health.

# **Public Behavioral Health Services Eligibility**

- The Individual has a mental health disorder as defined in DSM-5
- Individual is a Medicaid recipient
- Individual is 'dually eligible' for Medicare but remains in the Medicaid fee-for service system
- Individual is Medicaid ineligible and because of psychiatric and financial need may be eligible to have the cost of mental health services (in whole or in part) subsidized by the State and/or local funds.



- The Governor's Office for Children sets priority Result Areas with corresponding Indicators
- The LMB reviews data related to each indicator and compares Garrett
   County with other Maryland Counties and state averages
- The LMB, utilizing data and community feedback, prioritizes Result Areas
  and Indicators and makes funding decisions that aim to impact those areas
  in a positive way

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# Local Management Board Programs

Currently, the Local Management Board provides funding for 3 community **Programs**:

- Healthy Families
- Learning Beyond the Classroom
- Partners After School

#### as well as 7 Community Supports Activities:

- Affordable Housing Feasibility Study Continuation
- Rachel's Challenge
- Trauma-Informed Care Summit
- Community Baby Showers
- Educational Outreach and Marketing
- Community Schools Food Banks
- Community Food Bank

# **Local Care Team**

The LMB serves as the neutral convener for the Local Care Team (LCT). The LCT is an inter-agency council designed to provide support to families of children struggling with emotional, educational, mental and/or legal issues through problem solving discussions.

#### Partner Agencies:

- GCHD (Center for Behavioral Health)
- Maryland Coalition of Families
- Department of Juvenile Services
- Department of Social Services
- Developmental Disabilities Administration
- Garrett County Public Schools
- Local Behavioral Health Authority and Local Management Board
- Maryland Division of Rehabilitation Services

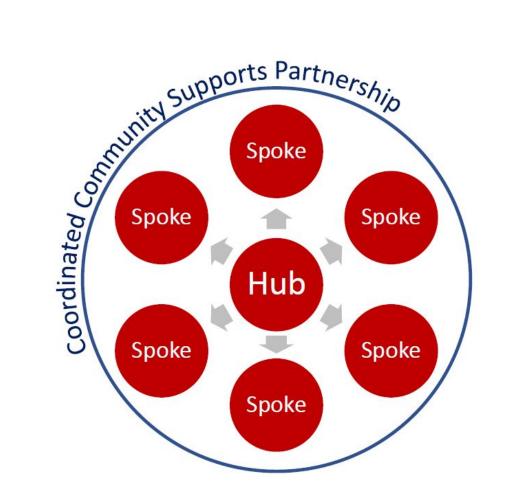
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# Coordinated Community Supports Partnership

#### The Hub:

- Serves as a central point of connection, linking students and families with essential behavioral health services
- Streamlines access to care, ensuring that students receive the support through collaborative partnerships with local education agencies, service providers, and community organizations
- By focusing on a streamlined referral system, needs assessment, consistent communication, and data-driven evaluation, the Hub strives to improve student wellbeing, enhance family support, and build community capacity for behavioral health.
- The goal is to create a healthier and more supportive environment for all.

<sup>\*</sup>FY26 Proposal was submitted February 4, 2025 to continue these services while adding additional service providers. Award decisions will be made April/May 2025



#### Hub:

 Garrett County and Allegany County Local Behavioral Health Authorities

## FY25 Spokes:

- GCHD Center for Behavioral Health
- GCHD Health and Outreach
- Mountain Laurel Medical Center
- Allegany College of Maryland "Mind Body Medicine"