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NEWS FROM MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES

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Updated Mobile Crisis Services area map



We have recently updated our Mobile Crisis Services area map that is now available to everyone. The new map contains service provider information and mobile crisis phone numbers across Minnesota.

Please feel free to share this <u>map</u>. We will make updates as changes arise.

Mobile Crisis Response Services: 2023 legislative changes



The Mobile Crisis team would like to thank those who responded to our Sept. 7, 2023 email to

providers requesting input on the one-time funding received for mobile crisis services in the 2023 legislative cycle. Below are the results and decisions after analyzing the data:

- 75% of all respondents preferred the option of increasing the amounts available to mobile crisis providers in calendar years 2025 and 2026.
- 10% of all respondents preferred the option of adding a mini grant before the 2025-2026 mobile crisis application is issued.
- 15% of all respondents preferred the option of using all or some of the funding to explore different pilot models.

Based on the information collected by providers, our leadership has determined that this funding will be added to the amount available to mobile crisis providers in calendar years 2025 and 2026. We will share additional details about the contracting process as we get closer to those dates.

As a reminder, the intention of this funding is to provide mobile crisis response services to adults and children across Minnesota. However, the legislative language that was passed for this funding pointed towards funding for adult services only. DHS is currently working to correct this oversight through the 2024 legislative cycle.

Announcement: New supervisor and grant managers

We are pleased to announce Christina Anderley has accepted the new Mobile Crisis Response Services Unit Supervisor position.

Christina's educational background includes a BSSW and MSW. She is licensed as an LICSW and has been working in human services for 16 years with 10 years spent in management. When Christina isn't working, she is spending time with her family and pets, traveling, reading, camping and kayaking.

New team members Michael Derhaag and Abbie Meyer recently began in our unit as Mobile Crisis Services grant managers.

Michael brings a wealth of mental health experience to our team, having worked in the field for more than fourteen years. When Michael is not at work, he enjoys traveling, golfing and spending time at the lake.

Abbie began her new position as grant manager on Dec. 6, 2023.

We will provide more information as it is available and welcome additional input at dhs.cmhcrisis@state.mn.us.

When do the HCBS-FMAP/CAA contracts end?



We wanted to remind everyone that your HCBS-FMAP and/or CAA contract ends soon. Please refer below for specific end dates:

- CAA contract ends on Mar. 14, 2024
- HCBS-FMAP contract ends on Mar. 31, 2024

If you are unable to expend the funds before your contract ends, please reach out to your grant manager as soon as possible to discuss any options to amend your contract.

Additionally, if you have underspent your state funds for this calendar year, please reach out to your grant manger.

More information can be found in the <u>frequently</u> <u>asked questions</u>.

Quarterly report reminders

Please remember to submit timely quarterly reports as specified in your contract(s).

Also, if you are expending CAA, HCBS-FMAP or ARPA funds, please ensure the quarterly report includes the budget reporting form.

Statewide meeting coming soon

We have not yet scheduled our statewide meeting but are hoping to soon.

Please remember, as outlined in your contract, a representative (including providers) of your County or Tribal Nation is expected to attend every meeting. Our meetings are held both in person and virtually to make it more convenient for you.

If you have any questions, or if a representative is unable to attend, please contact your grant manager.

We will be holding another TA session on Dec. 21, 2023, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. If you have any questions, feel free email us at dhs.cmhcrisis@state.mn.us.