

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) and its partners are working to develop a supported, quality crisis response system that is a timely and appropriate alternative to arrest, incarceration, and unnecessary hospitalization.

Ohio's vision is for every Ohioan to have access to a visible and accessible crisis continuum of services and supports that are person-centered, quality driven, and focused on ensuring people are stabilized and thriving in the community.

To this end, the **Ohio Crisis Task Force** is being convened by OhioMHAS in collaboration with the Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers, Ohio Association of Community Behavioral Health Authorities, National Alliance on Mental Illness, community members, and other partners. This Task Force is streamlining crisis planning conversations among a diverse coalition of individuals and organizations to identify opportunities and innovative approaches, develop strategies, and secure sustainable resources to enhance Ohio's Crisis Response System.

The Task Force developing this strategic framework is comprised of crisis system experts and thought leaders from across the state working alongside state agencies, Boards, providers, private foundations, associations, first responders, justice systems, hospitals, individuals with lived experience, and family members to improve the experience of care and outcomes for youth and adults experiencing a mental health or addiction crisis.

The Ohio Crisis Task Force includes six sub-committees currently working to support this effort: Community Coordination, Metrics & Data, Financing, Connect-988, Respond, Stabilize & Thrive.

The initial goal of the Task Force is to inform *Ohio's Crisis Landscape Analysis and Recommendations Report*. OhioMHAS has obtained HealthCare Perspectives and Zia Partners as consultants and facilitators for this work.

For questions, please contact Alisia Clark at Alisia.Clark@mha.ohio.gov. Visit <https://mha.ohio.gov/community-partners/adamh-boards/crisis-services> for more information on OhioMHAS' strategic crisis work.



- 988 Planning
 - 988/911 Interoperability
 - Ohio CareLine
 - Crisis Text Line
 - Open Beds/BH Connection
 - Web-based Statewide Directory
 - Family and Parent Peer Supporters
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- Mobile Response Stabilization Services for Youth (MRSS/ OhioRISE)
 - Community Mobile Response
 - Co-Responder Response
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- Crisis Stabilization Units
 - Residential/ Respite Care
 - Step Down Facilities
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- Strong Families, Safe Communities
 - First Episode Care for Serious Mental Illness
 - Outpatient Service Capacity
 - Housing
 - School
 - Employment
 - Day Activities