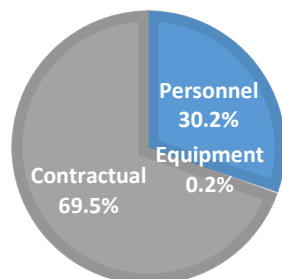


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Account(s)	4310, 4230, 4322
Department Function The Department of Mental Health (DMH) ensures that adults living with behavioral health challenges receive needed treatment and support services to improve their quality of life and overall health, renew meaningful connection to their community, and attain lasting recovery. DMH accomplishes its mission through the direct provision of clinical services and through the planning and oversight of a network of behavioral health agencies/programs that provide services via State-funded contracts. DMH is divided into five major divisions: <u>Clinical Operations Division</u> – Oversees the Behavioral Health Clinic and Albany County Correctional Facility (ACCF) Clinic; conducts mobile crisis and outreach via our ACCORD and MOTOR programs; and provides Assertive Community Treatment (ACT). The Clinical Division advises the Mental Health Court, Jail Diversion Program, and Prison Re-Entry Program; and provides Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT), Medicaid Health Home care management, mental health Single Points of Access (SPOA) referrals, substance use disorder Central Management Unit (CMU) referrals, and peer support/advocacy. <u>Fiscal Operations Division</u> – Oversees the Department’s annual budget; claims and reimbursement revenue cycles; state-aid funding and contract monitoring; and fiscal data management. <u>Informatics and Technology Systems Division</u> – Oversees clinical data management, electronic health/medical record management, local and regional systems interconnectivity, and outcome research and analytics. <u>Quality Care Division</u> – Manages the DMH’s quality assurance and compliance program; performs critical incident reviews; develops performance measures; cultivates a culture of continuous quality improvement; and oversees consumer affairs. <u>Administrative Division</u> – Oversees personnel management; intradepartmental and intergovernmental affairs; local systems planning; and community coordination.	
Current Year Highlights - Albany County Crisis Officials Responding and Diverting (ACCORD) pilot successfully completed first year of operation. - Alternative Treatment Court (ATC) pilot program successfully completed first year of operation and 2 people graduated. - Mobile Outreach Treatment & Overdose Response (MOTOR) pilot program successfully completed first year. - Successfully resumed bi-annual Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for local law enforcement. - Attained enhanced licensure for clinical programs allowing for the ongoing use of tele-mental health services. - Developed connection with 988 Crisis Call-Center covering Albany County to improve coordination of crisis services. - Enhanced the Program Services Coordinating Committee (PSCC) with the addition of a social worker and peer to further reduce reliance upon emergency services among high-risk patients. - Re-launched the Emergency/Disaster Mental Health Response Team (EDMHRT). - Launched Jail Re-Entry Program, to better link individuals with behavioral health services post-release from ACCF. - Added new clinical specialties and created new pathways for career progression among clinical positions to address workforce development challenges. - Conducted Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) community forum identifying service gaps and re-examining “intercept points” where individuals with behavioral health challenges contact the criminal justice system.	
Next Year Projects - Expand the ACCORD and MOTOR programs into other County jurisdictions. - Maximize use of tele-mental health across applicable DMH clinical programs. - Continue collaboration with community stakeholders to strengthen local and regional crisis response pathways to include alternative crisis response, 988 transition and build-out, community stabilization centers, and clinically appropriate uses of hospital emergency/crisis departments and acute/intermediate psychiatric care. - Continue joint coordination of Opiate Task Force and plan for local allocation of opiate settlement funds. - Continue joint coordination of Suicide Prevention and Education Committee (SPEC). - Continue collaboration with community stakeholders to address the mental health needs of the homeless, of those involved in the criminal justice system, and of refugee/immigrant/non-English speaking individuals.	
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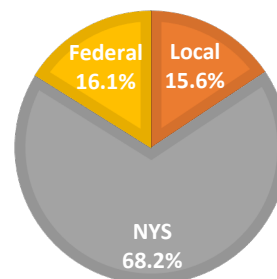
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Financial Charts

FORECASTED COSTS, BY TYPE



FORECASTED REVENUES, BY TYPE

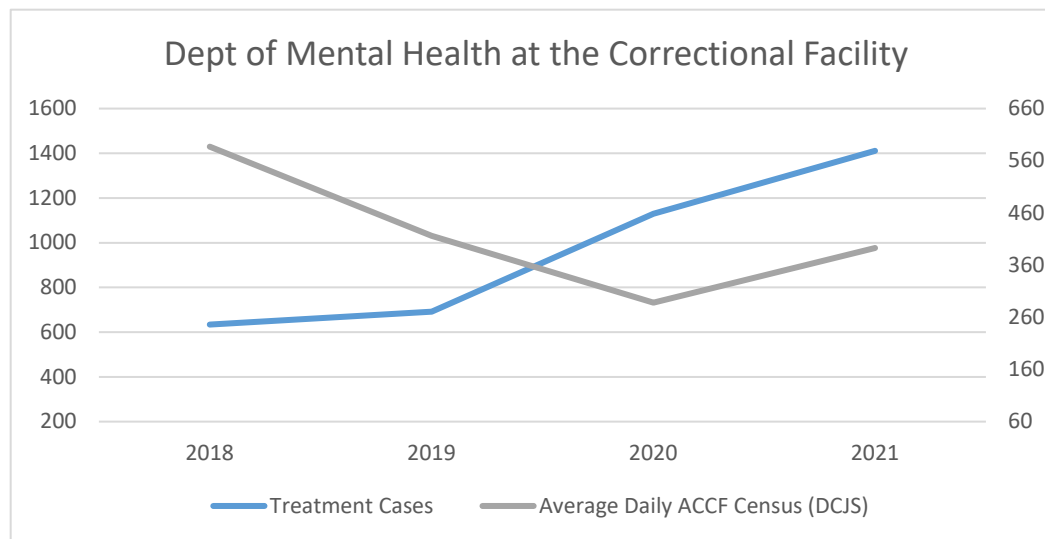


The Department of Mental Health commits most of its resources to obtaining contracts for services used by clientele throughout the year. These costs include in-patient counseling, outpatient rehabilitation, in-patient hospitalization costs, psychiatric care, etc.

The Department performs many services that are mandated by NYS; as such, money from NYS is recorded as reimbursement for the costs associated with those programs. The Department is also the recipient of several grants that help reduce County Share.

The 2023 Budget has a forecasted County Share of \$5.43 million for the Department of Mental Health.

Programmatic Highlights- Mental Health Unit at the County Correctional Facility



Mental health treatment is a large part of the rehabilitation services provided at the Albany County Correctional Facility (ACCF). Recently, there has been a significant uptick in treatment cases since 2019. The increase in mental health treatment cases is occurring amidst the backdrop of significant decreases to the average daily census at the ACCF. In other words, the proportion of inmates at the ACCF receiving mental health treatment has grown. The rate of increase year-over year for inmates receiving mental health treatment is greater than the rate of change to the average daily inmate population.

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