



## Deputy Secretary Behavioral Health Monthly Updates Report on November Activities 2022

### Standing Updates

- **Bed Registry and Referral System**
  - 211 Press 4 has moved to become the centralized resource for hospitals in need of additional patient care coordination support for accessing inpatient or outpatient/ community-based behavioral health resources. Training and messaging is being developed to support this shift to a centralized resource and will begin to be deployed throughout the remainder of December and into the new calendar year.
- **Crisis System Development: Maryland Crisis System Workgroup (12/5/22)**
  - BHA is working with MDH and state partners to develop a process for law enforcement officers to utilize crisis stabilization centers as a resource for people in crisis. On December 15th, BHA staff will be participating with the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services Center of Excellence.
- **Peer and MA Reimbursement**
  - A Registered Peer Supervisor webinar has been developed to provide program supervisors with the knowledge, skills, and abilities that are required to become certified as an RPS in Maryland. Having an RPS on staff will be a requirement for all programs submitting claims for Certified Peer Recovery services through MA effective September 2023. This webinar will be available to providers starting January 1, 2023 using BHA's Online Training Portal via [bhatrainings.health.maryland.gov/](https://bhatrainings.health.maryland.gov/)
  - Additional Provider Meetings/Trainings are being planned in partnership with MA and the behavioral health administrative service organization (BHASO). These meetings will be scheduled for the end of January or early February.
- **Suicide Prevention Monthly Newsletter**

The Maryland Department of Health's Office of Suicide Prevention provides suicide prevention training, resources, and technical assistance to advance the development of comprehensive suicide prevention and early intervention service system for individuals, families, groups, and communities. As part of their activities, they provide a Monthly Newsletter, called the Scoop. Click here for the December issue. <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Stay-connected-with-the-scoop--.html?soid=1138791408175&aid=zeHUJB1HKDQ>

If you would like to receive these monthly newsletters, please click on the link below to join the contact list.

<https://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/d.jsp?llr=prydusebb&p=oi&m=prydusebb&sit=6yvxxibqb&f=65eecf8-ac4c-48b2-ab4a-600fba6c4c57>



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### Recurring Events (Webinars, Conferences, Meetings, etc.)

- **BHA/MedChi Behavioral Health Webinar Series: Helping the Helpers and Those They Serve**

December 22: **No Webinar.**

January 12: **Reinforcing Effective Self-Concept Versus Self-Sabotaging.**

LaTanya Eggleston, MA.

Register here:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_nkRC3M9DTh6UEqmVHrbEQw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_nkRC3M9DTh6UEqmVHrbEQw)

- **BHA Opioid Overdose Prevention Clinical Advisory Team**
  - First Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. To be added to the calendar invitation, please email [steven.whitefield@maryland.gov](mailto:steven.whitefield@maryland.gov).

- **Public Health Webinar**

- First Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. To be added to the calendar invitation, please email [ivajean.smith@maryland.gov](mailto:ivajean.smith@maryland.gov) or [steven.whitefield@maryland.gov](mailto:steven.whitefield@maryland.gov).

To join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89345114259>

Or One tap mobile: US: +13017158592, 89345114259# or +19292056099, 89345114259#

Or Telephone: Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location): US: +1 301 715 8592 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 6833

Webinar ID: 893 4511 4259. International #s available:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89345114259>

[Or import the iCalendar \(.ics\) files to your calendar system.](#)

### Announcements

- **988 Suicide Prevention & Crisis Lifeline in Maryland**
  - If you are launching a campaign to [promote 988](#) in your jurisdiction, please coordinate with your local 988 call center. Contact the call center in your area to confirm messaging and availability of services and to prepare them prior to mass distribution of promotional materials. Reference the following map and call center contacts below:

988 in Maryland

## Maryland's 8 Lifeline (988) Call Centers

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1. **Frederick County Hotline**
2. **EveryMind**
3. **Community Crisis Services**
4. **Grassroots Crisis Intervention Service**
5. **Baltimore Co. Crisis Response**
6. **Baltimore Crisis Response**
7. **Life Crisis Center**
8. **Eastern Shore Crisis Response**



### Call center emails:

1. **Frederick County Hotline:** Suzi Borg [sborg@fcmha.org](mailto:sborg@fcmha.org)
2. **EveryMind:** Rachel Larkin [rlarkin@every-mind.org](mailto:rlarkin@every-mind.org) or Ariel Gordon [agordon@every-mind.org](mailto:agordon@every-mind.org)
3. **Community Crisis Services:** Timothy Jansen [timj@ccsimd.org](mailto:timj@ccsimd.org)
4. **Grassroots Crisis Intervention Services:** Mariana Izraelson [mariana@grassrootscrisis.org](mailto:mariana@grassrootscrisis.org)
5. **Baltimore Co. Crisis Response:** Allison Paladino [apaladino@santegroup.org](mailto:apaladino@santegroup.org)
6. **Baltimore Crisis Response:** Quinita Garrett [qgarrett@bcresponse.org](mailto:qgarrett@bcresponse.org)
7. **Life Crisis Center:** Jennifer Dali [jdail@lifecrisiscenter.org](mailto:jdail@lifecrisiscenter.org)
8. **Eastern Shore Crisis Response:** Tina-Marie Brown [brown@santegroup.org](mailto:brown@santegroup.org) or Elizabeth Jones [ejones@santegroup.org](mailto:ejones@santegroup.org)

### 12/14/2022

- **Vaccine Hesitancy Training:**

2022: <https://umaryland.webex.com/umaryland/k2/j.php?MTID=tbb5b1477a7effac1b7b9b85d8c585b80> and register.

### 1/12/2023

- **CDC Guidelines for Opioids for chronic pain:**

January 12, 2022 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Virtual CME event, presented by Maryland Addiction Consultation Service (MACS)

Link: <https://www.marylandmacs.org/education/>



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### December and Early January

- **Public Awareness Activities**

- BHA launched the Trained Military Assistance Provider (TMAP) Program, a new initiative to reduce suicides and increase lethal-means safety for service members and veterans. Developed by the Maryland Governor's Challenge to Prevent Suicide Among Service Members, Veterans and their Families, **this training is free to all Maryland-based primary care staff**. The initiative was first launched as a pilot program in 10 Maryland primary care practices. Participants are trained on mental health, suicide risk assessment and intervention. The curriculum helps providers better understand military and veteran culture, and create a safety plan in a military-culturally competent way.

TMAP offers 3.5 hours of online training, over 10 self-paced courses on topics including:

- Military culture
- Safety planning
- Barriers to care
- Lethal means counseling
- Risk assessment tools

Once completed, providers will become “Trained Military Assistance Providers” and will receive a physical and a virtual toolkit with resources, including gun locks, locking medicine bags, as well as promotional materials. [Learn more](https://bit.ly/MDHTMAP) or access the training: [bit.ly/MDHTMAP](https://bit.ly/MDHTMAP).

- Filming of the Ravens player, James Proche, as a spokesperson for the new 988 national lifeline has occurred and the public service announcements (e.g., video, audio, digital) will be airing by late December.
- The re-release of the public awareness campaign on Problem Gambling is currently airing on TV, OTT, audio and digital platforms. The Public Service Announcements started in late November and will continue through the beginning of January to coincide with the holiday season.