

# Final Summary of DHS/DMH Funded SMHRF Comparable Services

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DHS/DMH received 16 responses to the RFI for SMHRF Comparable Services. Fourteen of the responses were for the geographic areas to be considered for this pilot. Each of these was evaluated based on a standardized tool and additional factors such as geographic location to be served, number of IMD referrals from the proposed area of service and projected impact to the number of referrals to long term care. A total of five proposals were offered funding.

These agencies will cover four distinct geographic areas within the Chicago and suburban Chicago areas, as well as an area in Central Illinois. DHS/DMH has completed negotiations with the agencies, and is now in the contracting process. The plan is to have contracts in place by February, so that services can be developed and started mid-February to March. The services that will be developed as a result of this funding include:

**Crisis Assessment and Linkage:** this service will be provided at emergency departments within the selected service area with the intent of increasing access to lower levels of care, thus reducing unnecessary psychiatric hospital admissions.

**Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services:** this service will be provided to individuals who have been hospitalized in psychiatric beds within the selected service area and would otherwise have been referred to nursing home level of care at discharge.

**Outreach to Individuals to Engage in Services:** this service will be provided to individuals who have received a crisis assessment and have a history of failed follow-through on recommended services to increase the likelihood of receiving those services, thus decreasing the likelihood of future crisis episodes that could result in referral to nursing home level of care.

**Transitional Living Centers:** these centers will provide immediate access to housing for individuals who are either seen for crisis assessment and linkage or discharge linkage and coordination of services, and whose lack of access to housing puts them at risk of referral to nursing home level of care.

**Transitional Supervised Residential:** these services will provide 24 hour structure and supervision within a community setting for individuals who require this level of care. The intent is to provide an alternative setting to nursing homes for discharge from psychiatric hospitalization.

**Crisis Residential Program:** these services will be provided to individuals requiring 24 hour supervision due to a psychiatric crisis who can be safely managed in a non-hospital setting. The intent is to reduce unnecessary psychiatric hospitalization which could result in nursing home referral.

**Transportation:** DMH included the cost for transportation between levels of care in the contracts for the above services.

The table below provides a summary of the services funded by area and agency:

<b>Area Served</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Services Provided</b>
<p>“The Southside Collaborative” Lead Agency is HRDI</p> <p>This Collaborative will serve the Southside Chicago area, which was responsible for approximately 800 referrals to IMDs.</p>	HRDI	Crisis Assessment and Linkage Transitional Supervised Residential
	Thresholds	Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services Outreach to Individuals to Engage in Services Transitional Living Centers
<p>Lead Agency is Grand Prairie</p> <p>Services will be provided in the South Suburbs of Chicago, an area responsible for approximately 482 IMD referrals.</p>	Grand Prairie Services	Crisis Assessment and Linkage Transitional Living Centers Transitional Supervised Residential
	Sertoma Center	Crisis Assessment and Linkage Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services Outreach to Individuals to Engage in Services
<p>“The Northside Collaborative” Lead Agency is Thresholds</p> <p>This Collaborative will serve the Northside Chicago area, which was responsible for approximately 400 referrals to IMDs.</p>	Thresholds	Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services Outreach to Individuals to Engage in Services
	Trilogy	Crisis Assessment and Linkage Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services Outreach to Individuals to Engage in Services Crisis Residential Program Transitional Living Centers
	Community Counseling Centers of Chicago	Crisis Assessment and Linkage Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services Outreach to Individuals to Engage in Services
	Neumann Family Services	Transitional Living Centers
<p>Lead Agency is Helen Wheeler</p> <p>Services will be provided in Kankakee County, an area responsible for 234 IMD referrals.</p>	Helen Wheeler Center	Crisis Assessment and Linkage Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services
	Thresholds	Outreach to Individuals to Engage in Services Transitional Living Centers
	Riverside Hospital	Crisis Residential Program
<p>Lead Agency is Heritage Behavioral Health Center</p> <p>Services will be provided in Macon County, which contains one IMD in Decatur.</p>	Heritage Behavioral Health Center	Crisis Assessment and Linkage Discharge Linkage and Coordination of Services Transitional Living Centers