

# COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH



Expanding Florida's commitment to the Community Mental Health will help secure crucial behavioral health treatment for Floridians who need it most. **Florida currently ranks 43<sup>rd</sup> in the U.S. with a behavioral health patient-to-provider ratio of 550:1.**

Eliminating barriers to appropriate behavioral health treatment makes Florida a healthier place to live. The Florida Hospital Association advocates for policies that improve access to the right care, in the right setting, at the right time. **FHA supports the expansion of Florida's Community Mental Health Models, which improve overall health care outcomes and reduce costs.**

Community Mental Health Models help people become productive members of their communities.

COVID-19 increased the number of Floridians experiencing mental illness. Adequately funding these programs will address this increase and improve the overall health of our state.

FHA supports federal dollars being drawn down to support the funding of behavioral health community-based response teams.

## Community Mental Health Teams

Florida Assertive Community Treatment (FACT)

Community Action Teams (CAT)



Mobile Response Teams (MRT)

Family Intensive Treatment (FIT)



**Support Community Mental Health Models in the 2024-2025 State Budget**

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