



NOTICE: MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER NETWORK DEVELOPMENT

The Gulf Coast Center (GCC) is the Local Mental Health Authority (LMHA) for Galveston and Brazoria Counties. As the LMHA, GCC must demonstrate a reasonable effort to establish and maintain a network of qualified mental health services providers. In developing the network, GCC must consider public input, ultimate cost-benefit, and client care issues to ensure individual choice and the best use of public funds. Organizations interested in collaborating with GCC for the provision of mental health services to non-Medicaid funded individuals may complete a Provider Inquiry Form to express interest in contracting with GCC to provide complete levels of care or specialty services as part of the Local Planning and Network Development (LPND) process. The Provider Inquiry Form, the Fiscal Year 2025 Average Caseload by Authorized Level of Care for Non-Medicaid Client Only data sheet as well as other information related to the LPND process may be found at <https://gulfcoastcenter.org/local-plans/>.

Please note this process is applicable only to provider organizations and NOT individual practitioners. Applicants must be qualified, credentialed, and capable of providing services according to the Health and Human Services Texas Resilience and Recovery (TRR) standards and other Texas Health and Human Service Commission (HHSC) standards. Providers may submit a description of their qualifications, including their experience as it relates to the same or similar services and populations defined in the TRR levels of care. Refer to the following website to review requirements for each TRR level of care and HHSC standards:

<https://www.hhs.texas.gov/providers/behavioral-health-services-providers/behavioral-health-provider-resources/utilization-management-guidelines-manual>

Instructions:

1. Before completing the Provider Inquiry Form, review information about GCC's service area and capacity on under the Provider Network Development Plan Information for Potential Providers link at

2. Complete the Provider Inquiry Form following instructions provided.

<https://gulfcoastcenter.org/local-plans/>.

3. Submit the completed form by 2:00 pm (cst) on November 13 2024, by emailing it to

LindaB@gulfcoastcenter.org

4. GCC will contact interested providers to schedule a meeting or teleconference to discuss local circumstances, needs, and challenges, as well as service capacity. Meetings or teleconferences should occur within three (3) business days of initial contact from GCC.

5. Email LindaB@gulfcoastcenter.org for questions or if additional information is needed.