

Overview of the Texas Public Mental Health System

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2022 State of Mental Health in America Report

The Access Ranking indicates how much access to mental health care exists within a state. The access measures include access to insurance, access to treatment, quality and cost of insurance, access to special education, and mental health workforce availability. A high Access Ranking (1-13) indicates that a state provides relatively more access to insurance and mental health treatment.



Texas ranked
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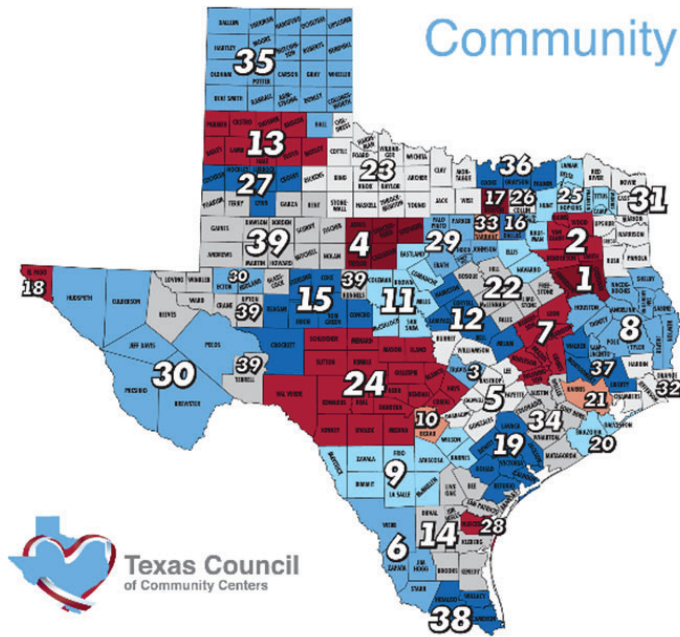
The Texas System

Texas has a two tiered system of mental health care composed of:

- State hospitals and state supported living centers; and
- Community centers

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Community Centers of Texas

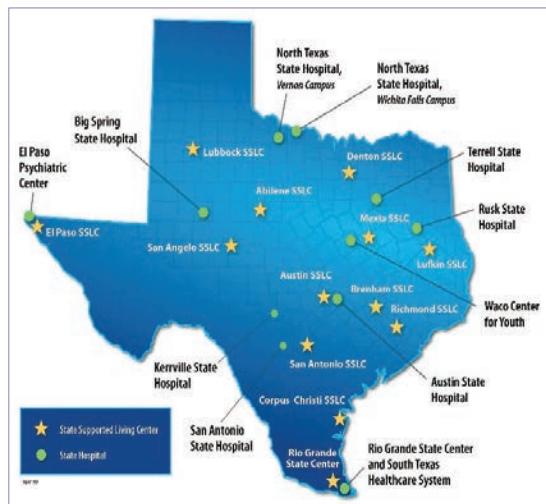


- 1 ACCESS
- 2 Andrews Center Behavioral Healthcare System
- 3 Austin Travis County Integral Care
- 4 Betty Hardwick Center
- 5 Bluebonnet Trails Community Services
- 6 Border Region Behavioral Health Center
- 7 MHMR Authority of Brazos Valley
- 8 Burke
- 9 Camino Real Community Services
- 10 The Center for Health Care Services
- 11 Center for Life Resources
- 12 Central Counties Services
- 13 Central Plains Center
- 14 Coastal Plains Community Center
- 15 MHMR Services for the Concho Valley
- 16 Metrocare Services
- 17 Denton County MHMR Center
- 18 Emergency Health Network
- 19 Gulf Bend Center
- 20 Gulf Coast Center
- 21 Harris Center for Mental Health & IDD
- 22 Heart of Texas Region MHMR Center
- 23 Helen Farabee Centers
- 24 Hill Country Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Centers
- 25 Lakes Regional MHMR Center
- 26 LifePath Systems
- 27 StarCare Specialty Health System
- 28 Behavioral Health Center of Nueces County
- 29 Pecan Valley Centers for Behavioral & Developmental Healthcare
- 30 Permian Basin Community Centers
- 31 Community Healthcare
- 32 Spindletop Center
- 33 MHMR Tarrant
- 34 Texana Center
- 35 Texas Panhandle Centers
- 36 Texoma Community Center
- 37 Tri-County Services
- 38 Tropical Texas Behavioral Health
- 39 West Texas Centers

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State System



Campuses:

- 13 state supported living centers
- 9 psychiatric hospitals
- 1 youth residential treatment center
- 1 primary care outpatient clinic

System Overview:

- 22,000+ positions
- 1,400 buildings
- 2,500+ contracts
- ~5,000 served each day

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