



Lake County

Population 7,585*



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Mental Health and Addictions Services

Screening and 24-hour Crisis
Lake County Behavioral Health
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Developmental Disabilities Services

Screening
Community Counseling Solutions
(541) 947-0279
100 North "A" Street, Lakeview

Lake County Board of Commissioners:



Bradley J. Winters,
Chair



Ken Kestner



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County government is the local fiscal agent for state funds and provides program oversight and facilitation of local system planning.

Mental Health Services

Prevention and Early Intervention

Provided on-site at Headstart

Outpatient

Screening and assessment, 24-hour crisis intervention, medication management*, case management, individual and group therapy, pre-commitment investigation

Residential services

Children: therapeutic foster care

Acute Care

Oregon State Hospital (Salem),
St. Charles Medical Center (Bend)

Recovery Supports

Peer supports and wraparound case management*

* An Evidence-Based Practice

*Population Research Center, PSU, March 2009

Lake County Mental Health Department

provides and coordinates mental health and addictions services, quality improvement and utilization management of state-county shared services

Addictions Services

Prevention

Substance abuse education through the United Prevention Intervention Coalition, early intervention and alternative activities for youth

Treatment - Adult and Adolescent

Outpatient: screening and assessment, individual and group therapy including co-occurring disorders treatment*.

Residential treatment and detox: referrals to providers statewide

Recovery Supports

Case management

* An Evidence-Based Practice

Developmental Disabilities Services

contracted to Community Counseling Solutions by Oregon Seniors & People with Disabilities Division

Program Administration

Eligibility determination, foster care licensing, family support, contracts, protective services and adult support services. Quality assurance contracted to Eastern Oregon Regional Program

Service coordination including referral, person-centered planning, monitoring, advocacy, and information and training. Long-term crisis services contracted to Eastern Oregon Regional Program

Residential, Vocational and Transportation Services

The state Seniors & People with Disabilities Division contracts outside of the local planning and quality assurance process for adult support services with **Full Access Brokerage**

Lake County Mental Health develops resources and expertise within the community for foster kids with mental health needs

One of the recent positive developments for Lake County Mental Health is its partnership with the local Child Welfare Office and a set of dedicated foster parents. Lake County Mental Health, with the help of Child Welfare personnel, was able to identify a local family that was interested in becoming trained as therapeutic foster parents. In this partnership, Lake County Mental Health provides additional funding for foster care service and in return asks the foster parents to provide clinical documentation of the therapeutic services that they are providing within their home.

Before the parents could begin providing services, training was required on such issues as documentation, child mental health concerns, and behavioral management techniques. The foster parents were able to be trained by Dave and Madou Fronapel, who had established the Windsong Heights Treatment Center for Kids many years ago. They had since retired and had been providing therapeutic foster care in their home in Mt. Vernon, Oregon. Mike and Kenda Fuhriman, the Lake County Foster Parents, were able to travel to Mt. Vernon and learn from the Fronapel's how to operate a therapeutic foster home.

There is currently an teenage foster child in the Fuhriman's home who is a recipient of the therapeutic foster care service. So far, this type of treatment intervention has been a huge success, as the child has stabilized since returning from residential care. It is hoped that other homes may be identified to continue this type of service.

It is important to note that Lake County Mental Health is a provider for Greater Oregon Behavioral Health, Incorporated, which has been a huge financial supporter of the development of therapeutic foster care throughout the region. Without their assistance, programs like this would not be possible.



New Lake County therapeutic foster parents, Mike and Kenda Fuhriman