

## OVERVIEW

Juniata Valley Behavioral & Developmental Services (JVBDs) is an administrative entity overseen by the commissioners of Huntingdon, Mifflin and Juniata Counties. This is known as the Joinder Board of Commissioners.

JVBDs contracts with service providers to deliver mental health, intellectual disability, autism and early intervention services to residents of the Joinder.

JVBDs is also the entity responsible for applications for the emergency evaluation process and also for coordinating referrals and discharges with both civil and forensic state hospitals.

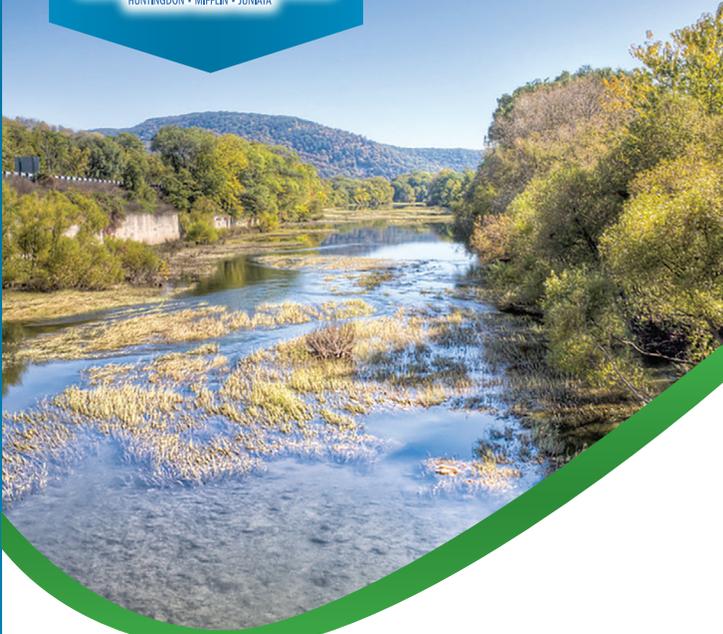


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# JUNIATA VALLEY

Behavioral & Developmental Services

**Mental Health  
Intellectual Developmental  
Disabilities  
Autism Spectrum Disorder  
Early Intervention**



## MENTAL HEALTH

- To qualify for county funded mental health services, an individual must have a diagnosis of serious mental illness.
- The intake process is completed at the Service Access and Management Base Service Unit (SAM Inc. BSU) which includes a psychosocial interview and financial liability determination.
- An individual develops a referral plan with the intake worker and, whenever possible, is given a choice of providers from which to receive services.
- The Child and Adolescent Service System Program (CASSP) is part of the mental health continuum and is a referral source for hospitals, schools, CYS, JPO and other organizations for at risk youth.

## INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES / AUTISM

- To qualify for ID/A services, an individual must have a FSIQ of 70 or below, and / or a diagnosis of Autism, prior to the age of 22; **and** an Adaptive Delay in at least three areas of daily living skills.
- The intake process is completed at JVBDS, which includes coordinating to obtain required documentation to determine eligibility.
- If eligible, the individual is offered a choice of Supports Coordination Organizations to assist with developing an Individual Service Plan with outcomes to meet the needs of each person.
- Services could include Community Participation Supports, In Home Community Supports, Employment or others.



## EARLY INTERVENTION

- To qualify for Early Intervention services, a child must demonstrate a 25% delay in development, or have a medical diagnosis with a high probability rate for delays.
- The initial family intake and development evaluation is coordinated and completed by Service Access and Management Inc. to determine eligibility.
- If eligible, the family and EI team develop an Individualized Family Service Plan with goals, objectives and services to help the child meet developmental milestones. Families are given a choice of providers from which to receive services.
- Services include Speech, Special Instruction, OT, PT, Vision, Hearing, Music Therapy and Social Work.