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CenClear’s Mission

CenClear is an organization dedicated to leading our community with superior quality and innovative services to all consumers by providing physical, social, emotional, educational and leadership development.

CenClear Service Area

Armstrong
Bedford
Blair
Cameron
Centre
Clarion
Clearfield
Elk
Huntingdon
Indiana
Jefferson
Juniata
Mifflin
Potter
Somerset

CenClear offers services in 15 counties to over 14,000 infants, children, teens and adults

Annual Report
2021 – 22
The past year has presented many new opportunities and challenges. Under the strong leadership of our CEO, staff have risen to the challenge and demonstrated their commitment to CenClear, our communities, and the people we serve. The resiliency and forward thinking of staff has resulted in changes to strengthen programming and position CenClear for the future.

Challenges in 2022 have been many, including residual effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, an unprecedented staffing crisis, record high inflation, the opioid crisis, overdose deaths, and record-high trauma-related referrals. The disruption of in-person instruction and the challenges of 2022 have resulted in increased child social and behavioral concerns in the preschool division. The mental health division has also been impacted by increased referrals, staffing shortages, and the challenges of adapting services to telehealth while implementing new initiatives.

CenClear has met these challenges by prioritizing and focusing on the most prevalent issues. In the upcoming year, the focus will continue on stabilizing the workforce through innovative recruitment, hiring, training, and retention strategies. Staff across the preschool and mental health divisions are focused on working with individuals and families to address all conditions in the environments where people live, learn, and work that affect a wide range of health, functioning, educational, and quality-of-life outcomes and risks, while providing evidence-based interventions to address needs.

Today, CenClear provides services in 15 counties. We provide early childhood services to over 1,700 children and their families annually and over 14,000 consumers and families in the mental health and drug and alcohol programs.

As we celebrate this year’s successes, we thank the following groups, past and present, who have come together to support CenClear and contributed to its success: Staff, Policy Council, Board of Directors, Volunteers, Community Partners, and the individuals and families we serve. Together, they have made our achievements possible and allowed CenClear to continue the mission of Reaching Children Through Families. Thank you!
Early Head Start began using the new evidence-based curriculum: Baby Talk. Staff and parents were excited about the new resources that have been added to better support both staff and families. The curriculum is offered virtually, but hard copies were also available if requested.

CenClear’s Early Intervention services expanded into Huntingdon, Mifflin, Juniata and Elk counties. Early Intervention in Centre County was given the contract to provide vision and hearing services moving forward.

There was an administrative decision made to not continue to offer Mobile Therapist/Behavioral Consultant services within the traditional IBHS. Focus was on the IBHS Applied Behavioral Analysis portion with Behavior Analyst, Behavior Consultation-ABA, and Behavioral Health Technician—ABA staffing.

The MSP staff has worked to meet state regulations and exceed expectations funded at this time, though 4 of 5 have received federal housing assistance within the last 2 months.

CenClear received OCDEL funding and moved two rooms to be able to provide partnership with the preschool classes in State College School District.

The supportive house in St. Marys has a 5-person maximum capacity. It is full. One tenant is county-funded at this time, though 4 of 5 have received federal housing assistance within the last 2 months.

A process has been created to evaluate all Family Based consumers within 45 days of treatment if they did not have a recent psychological or psychiatric evaluation.

There was a significant influx of referrals with 85 consumers being served.
CenClear has worked to maintain the consistency of instruction even when it is necessary to close classrooms. CenClear also worked to address staffing changes when the vaccine mandate when into effect.

**Family and Community Partnership**

- **Family Reunification**
  - 19 youth in group homes at year’s end; 163 remained in foster care
  - In 2021-22, FCP served 613 children involved with CYF up from 561 in 2020-21.
  - 100% of the families in the Family Advancement Process for more than 45 days completed it.

- **Therapeutic Recreation**
  - Head Start classes were able to attend the farm this spring, but were limited to four classes due to transportation difficulties.
  - 10 classrooms were visited and a Fall activity was done with the children.

- **NYPUM**
  - The NYPUM Program was nationally shut down by Honda.
  - Honda donated 12 bikes to CenClear.
  - 5 Independent Living Youth participated and 7 days of trail clean-up were done.

- **Independent Living**
  - 55 youth were supported.
  - 5 graduated from high school
  - 1 is attending college
  - 25 secured new employment
  - 2 earned their driver’s licenses

- **Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports**
  - CenClear has made progress on meeting PBIS fidelity. The leadership team continued to meet regularly.
  - CenClear applied for Tier 1 fidelity at all sites that had not previously applied. CenClear applied for Tier 2 fidelity at sites who previously received Tier 1 fidelity.

CenClear was awarded a SAMHSA grant to be a Certified Behavioral Health Center for its Huntingdon, Roaring Spring and St. Marys clinics.

**Certified Recovery Specialists**

- Steps have been taken to revive the Certified Recovery Program. Decision made to identify existing staff that can be dual-certified due to staffing challenges.

**Drug and Alcohol Services**

- MAT Expands
  - CenClear expanded its Outpatient & IOP Drug and Alcohol Program services in the St. Marys & Roaring Spring offices. MAT services were added to both.

**Certified Community Behavioral Health Center Integrated Community Wellness Center**

- We have offered increased access to evidence based practices through training. Cares support coordinators and a wellness nurse, focusing on physical and behavioral health integration, put in place.

**Community & School Based Behavioral Health**

- CenClear had an annual audit for its program and received wonderful scores. Outcome measures show progress is being made toward consumer’s goals.

**Youth and Young Adult Certified Peer Specialist**

- Continue to see former staff returning to CenClear citing the level of support provided to employees.

**Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services**

- A new hire manual was created to support new staff.

**Blended Case Management**

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**Mental Health Outpatient Services**

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**Healing After Trauma**

- Transitioned to a new director.

- There are 58 clients being served through the Mobile Psychiatric Rehabilitation Service. This includes seven consumers that are being served as a result of expanding into Potter County.

- The program received high marks for its services from its CCBH audit.

**Meeting the Challenge**

- CenClear’s Huntingdon & Yeagertown clinics have been re-designated as North Central Informed Care Centers for behavioral health services by BHARP.

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**Shaping Services to Meet Consumer Needs**

- CenClear served 678 clients in the BCM program to meet the needs of the increased consumer demand.

**Family and Community Partnership**

- Backpacks with supplies are being distributed to the homeless until we can find them housing.

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**Mental Health and Drug and Alcohol Division**

- CenClear served 185 current HAT consumers since its inception.

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**CenClear’s Giving Tree Program provided over $5,000 for Christmas gifts for 60 children.**