

Our Work, for You:

Advisory Council

The Health & Human Services Advisory Council, established by Ordinance, consists of regional human service professionals who advise the County regarding the human services needs of its residents.

Aging Well & Healthy Living

Healthy Aging Cape Cod is a collaborative effort among organizations serving older adults in Barnstable County to align existing services to better enable residents to age in place successfully.

Behavioral Health

The Children's Behavioral Health Work Group (CBHWG) charge is to increase access to, and maximize the efficacy of, the region's behavioral health system of care for the age 0-21 population through collaboration, advocacy, education and training. CBHWG identifies challenges and works to develop comprehensive and sustainable solutions.

Housing and Homelessness

CoC

The Department is the collaborative applicant for the Cape Cod & Islands Continuum of Care (CoC) and the convening agency for the Regional Network on Homelessness. As Collaborative Applicant, the Department is responsible for developing the annual application for CoC funding through the US Department of Housing & Urban Development

HMIS

The Department is the Homeless Management Information System lead for the Cape Cod & Islands CoC. Functions include managing the Coordinated Entry System (CES) to access CoC funded programs, providing user training and technical assistance, reporting, grantee monitoring and conducting the annual homeless count.

HOME

The Department is the HOME Investment Partnership Program, a federal block grant to state and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low-income households. The HOME program funds a range of activities for the acquisition, creation and retention of affordable housing. The Barnstable County HOME Consortium, comprised of the 15 towns in Barnstable County, is a Participating Jurisdiction to receive and disburse HOME funds. Fund disbursement is by vote of the HOME Consortium Advisory Council.

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The Department, in collaboration with the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services, initiative to address Youth and Young Adult Homelessness and to implement the recommendations of the Special Commission on Unaccompanied Homeless Youth throughout Barnstable County and the Islands.

SHINE

The Cape and Islands Regional SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) Program supports Massachusetts residents throughout the region by providing free, and unbiased one-on-one health insurance counseling, enrollment assistance and public benefit screening to Medicare beneficiaries, their family members, caregivers, and representatives.

Substance Use Prevention

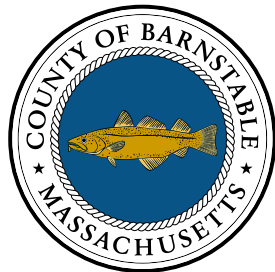
In collaboration with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Department manages substance use grants to educate and enhance capacity on Cape Cod with our many community-based service providers. The Department convenes the Regional Substance Addiction Council comprised of town and community leaders whose purpose is to establish a communication infrastructure across towns, providers, organizations, and individuals on Cape Cod; to identify needs and address gaps and disparities in the service system; to maximize interagency collaboration; and to maximize funding and resource opportunities.



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HUMAN SERVICES

Who We Are

The mission of the Barnstable County Department of Human Services is to plan, develop, and implement programs which enhance the overall delivery of human services in Barnstable County, to promote the health and social well-being of County residents through regional efforts designed to improve coordination and efficiency of human services, and designed to strengthen the fabric of community care available to all.



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