

Depending on your needs, CSS may be provided by your local mental health center or a Department of Mental Health Program. For more information, please contact your local provider:

**LOCAL COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS**

- Region I Mental Health Center (Clarksdale)  
662-627-7267
- Communicare (Oxford)  
662-234-7521
- Region III Mental Health Center (Tupelo)  
662-844-1717
- Timber Hills Mental Health Center (Corinth)  
662-286-9883
- Delta Community Mental Health Services (Greenville)  
662-335-5274
- Life Help (Greenwood)  
662-453-6211
- Community Counseling Services (West Point)  
662-524-4347
- Region 8 Mental Health Center (Brandon)  
601-825-8800
- Hinds Behavioral Health Services (Jackson)  
601-321-2400
- Weems Community Mental Health Center (Meridian)  
601-483-4821
- Southwest MS Mental Health Center (McComb)  
601-684-2173
- Pine Belt Mental Health Center (Hattiesburg)  
601-544-4641
- Gulf Coast Mental Health Center (Gulfport)  
228-863-1132
- Singing River Services (Gautier)  
228-497-0690
- Warren-Yazoo Mental Health Services (Vicksburg)  
601-638-0031

**LOCAL STATE IDD PROGRAMS**

- Boswell Regional Center (Magee)  
601-867-5000
- Ellisville State School (Ellisville)  
601-477-9384
- Hudspeth Regional Center (Whitfield)  
601-664-6000
- North Mississippi Regional Center (Oxford)  
662-234-1476
- South Mississippi Regional Center (Long Beach)  
228-868-2923

**STATE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS:  
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION**

- East Mississippi State Hospital (Meridian)  
601-481-1298
- Mississippi State Hospital (Whitfield)  
601-351-8172

# COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES



Warren-Yazoo Mental Health Service  
Warren County Office 601-638-0031  
Yazoo County Office 662-746-5712  
[www.warren-yazoo.org](http://www.warren-yazoo.org)

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LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
AND THE  
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT  
OF MENTAL HEALTH**



## CSS FOR ADULTS

Community Support Services for Adults with serious mental illness and intellectual and/or developmental disabilities provide assistance and support to the individuals in the following activities:

- Identification of strengths which will aid the individual in their recovery/resiliency and the barriers that will challenge the development of skills necessary for independent functioning in the community.
- Individual therapeutic interventions with a beneficiary that directly increase the acquisition of skills needed to accomplish the goals set forth in the Individual Service Plan.
- Direct interventions in deescalating situations to prevent crisis.
- Facilitation of the Individual Service Plan and/or CSS Activity Plan which includes the active involvement of the beneficiary and the people identified as important in the person's life.
- Assisting individuals in determining needed services that may be identified through the assessment process and the ISP or CSS Activity Plan.
- Providing and coordinating Psychoeducation to individuals, family members, caregivers, and other community stakeholders.
- Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of interventions implemented to reduce symptoms; prevent relapse, and manage the disease.

## Partnering to Make a World of Difference



Community Support Services (CSS) provide an array of person-centered support services delivered by community-based, mobile Community Support Specialists.

CSS are directed towards adults, children, adolescents and families and will vary with respect to hours, type and intensity of services, depending on the changing needs of each individual. The purpose/intent of CSS is to provide specific, measurable, and individualized services to each person served. CSS should be focused on the individual's ability to succeed in the community; to identify and access needed services; and to show improvement in school, work and family and integration and contributions within the community.

Each individual receiving Community Support Services is assigned a full-time Community Support Specialist. Community Support Specialists must have a Bachelor's Degree in a mental health, intellectual/developmental disabilities, or related field and a Department of Mental Health Case Management/Community Support Specialist Credential.

## CSS FOR CHILDREN

Community Support Specialists for children with serious emotional disorders and/or intellectual or developmental disabilities work both with the child or youth and the family in providing the following services:

- Identifying the child or youth's needs and strengths to determine the resources needed to aid in their recovery;
  - Facilitating the Community Support Services (CSS) Activity Plan developed with the child or youth and the people identified as important in his/her life;
  - Assisting the family and child or youth in accessing needed services identified in the CSS Activity Plan;
  - Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the interventions indicated in the CSS Activity Plan to determine progress toward identified goals; and
  - Educating and training of family and others who play a role in addressing the needs of the child or youth.
- Community Support Specialists work with children or youth and their families to identify and overcome obstacles that challenge the child or youth's development of skills necessary for successful functioning in the community. Community Support Services are person-centered and focus on helping children and youth and their families gain access to needed community services and supports.