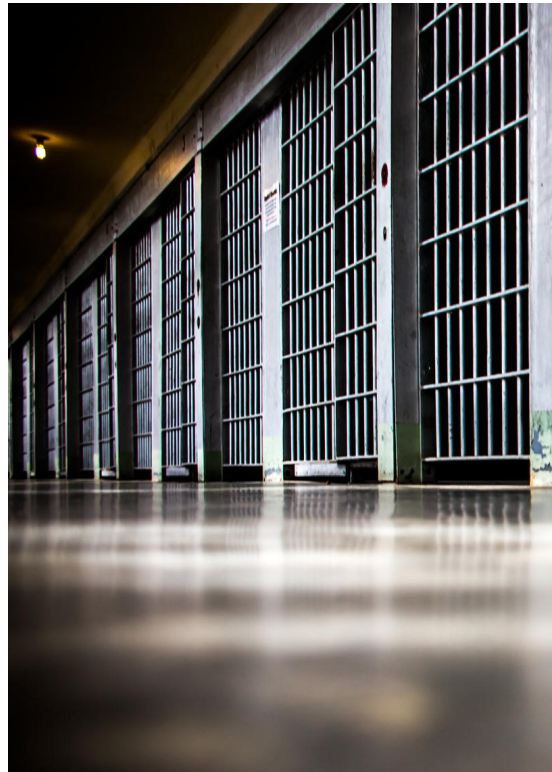
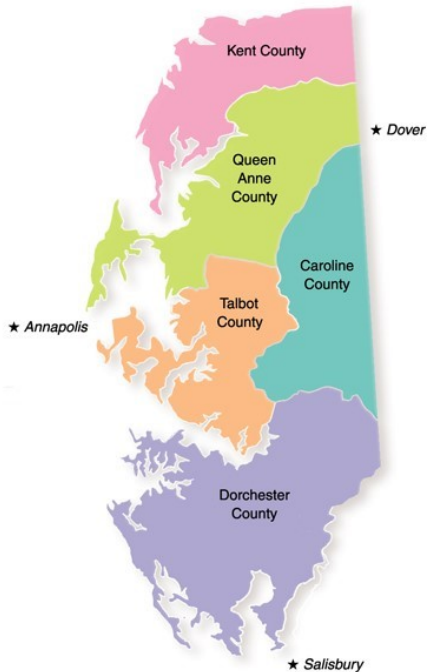




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Forensic Mental Health Program (FMHP)



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Coordination, Evaluation, and Case Management



All local courts have defendants with mental health conditions, often with co-occurring, substance abuse conditions that may relate to their current offenses. This position serves to facilitate participation in effective mental health and substance abuse treatment, improve the quality of life for individuals with mental illnesses charged with crimes, and make more effective use of limited local criminal justice, and community-based resources.

The FMHP focuses on the intersection between the criminal justice and mental health systems. This program works to evaluate the behavioral health needs of criminal defendants, often making recommendation for care to the courts. The program offers support and guidance to defendants and probationers in connecting to the community behavioral health and recovery support resources available on the Mid-Shore.

The FMHP staff works closely with Judges, Masters, Parole and Probation Agents and local detention centers to assist in cases where the defendant has mental health and/or co-occurring issues.

The FMHP staff can provide mental health evaluations, jail diversion plans, referral and resource connection, mental health treatment monitoring, and advocacy.

Case management services are provided for diversion and monitoring cases.

The staff consists of a Forensic Mental Health Program Manager, who is a licensed mental health professional with experience in the area of forensics, and a Case Specialist with knowledge of Mid-Shore resources.



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Behavioral Health Services Network (BHSN) Forensic Workgroup

The purpose of the Workgroup is for community partners to come together to address the needs of the behavioral health population who become involved in the criminal justice system. Local and systems wide barriers and priority areas are discussed.

The Workgroup usually meets the 3rd Friday of every month from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM. Please call the office for location details.