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Kentucky Mobile Crisis Intervention (MCI) Planning Grant Project
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In September 2021, the Kentucky Department of Medicaid Services (DMS) was awarded \$796,894 under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021: Section 9813 – State Planning Grants for Qualifying Community-Based Mobile Crisis Intervention Services. The purpose of the Kentucky Mobile Crisis Intervention (MCI) Planning Grant Project is to expand and strengthen Kentucky’s mobile crisis services to better assist those experiencing a behavioral health crisis and divert them from hospitals, *jails*, and prisons.

The funding for the Kentucky MCI Planning Grant Project will be used to produce the following: a comprehensive mobile crisis intervention services needs assessment, a comprehensive three-year strategic plan to implement a statewide infrastructure necessary to support, sustain and deliver community-based mobile crisis intervention services, and a measurement framework to assess progress and the effectiveness of planning grant efforts. Implementing the planning grant’s deliverables as outlined above will enable Kentucky to structure multi-disciplinary mobile crisis teams to include practitioners and providers trained in diverse response approaches to better serve the needs of individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis by providing the right care at the right time in the right place.

To carry out the planning project’s key goal of expanding and strengthening Kentucky’s mobile crisis services, stakeholders will be engaged to gather further insight on the current environment and best practices. Stakeholder engagement will be done through interviews, a town hall and round table events starting in early 2022. For more information about the project and how to provide any input, please email KYmobilecrisis@ky.gov.

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