Although its functions date back to 1847, the Missouri Department of Mental Health was first established as a cabinet-level state agency by the Omnibus State Government Reorganization Act on July 1, 1974. The department serves as the state’s Mental Health Authority, establishing philosophy, policy and standards of care.

State law provides three principal missions for the department: (1) the prevention of mental disorders, developmental disabilities and substance abuse; (2) the treatment, habilitation and rehabilitation of Missourians with those conditions; and (3) the improvement of public understanding and attitudes about mental disorders, developmental disabilities and substance abuse.

The vision of the Department of Mental Health is one of “Lives Beyond Limitations”—Missourians shall be free to live their lives and pursue their dreams beyond the limitations of mental illness, developmental disabilities, alcohol and other drug abuse.

Missourians must know that mental illness is a treatable disease, persons with substance abuse problems can triumph over their addictions, and persons with developmental disabilities can be productive citizens and good neighbors in their communities.

Mental Health Commission

The commission, composed of seven members, appoints the director of the Department of Mental Health with confirmation of the Senate. Commissioners are appointed to four-year terms by the governor, again with the confirmation of the Senate. The commissioners serve as policy advisers to the department director.

The commission, by law, must include an advocate of community mental health centers, a physician who is an expert in the treatment of mental illness, a physician concerned with developmental disabilities, a member with business expertise, an advocate of substance abuse treatment, a citizen who represents the interests of consumers of psychiatric services and a citizen who represents the interests of consumers of developmental disabilities services.

Mental Health Commission*
Sargeon, Clifford, chair, Raytown;
Bussabarger, Mary Lou, M.A., secretary, Columbia;
Baumgartner, Alan, Auxvasse;
Constantino, John, M.D., St. Louis;
Dittemore, Ron, Ph.D., Raytown;
Gladis, George, St. Louis;
Jones, Larry A., M.D., St. Louis.

*$100 per diem.

Office of the Director

With advice from the Mental Health Commission, the director is responsible for overall operations of the department, its three operating divisions, support offices, 28 facilities and central office. The director’s duties include planning, supervising and evaluating the provision of services for Missourians with mental disorders, developmental disabilities and substance abuse.
Each year the department provides services to more than 170,000 Missourians through the Division of Comprehensive Psychiatric Services, the Division of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, the Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse, or through its contracted provider network.

**Deputy Director**

The office of the deputy director provides the leadership and direction in implementing state statute to create a Comprehensive Child Mental Health System. Responsibilities include supervising the work of the department’s Office of Comprehensive Child Mental Health. This includes the development of new and emerging programming and policy needs for children and youth services throughout the state. This also involves the coordination of services among children and youth staff from all three of the department’s divisions, the facilities, provider agencies, other state agencies, and the juvenile courts to work to improve the quality and professionalism of staff and agencies providing services to children and youth. The deputy director’s office also oversees the department’s cultural competency plan, services for the deaf and hard of hearing, licensure and certification of facilities and treatment programs, and internal and external audit services related to compliance, financial and performance reviews.

**Medical Director**

The medical director serves as the department’s senior clinical leader by providing advice and counsel to the department director regarding a broad range of clinical, clinical policy, programmatic and strategic issues. The medical director provides leadership and mentoring to the department’s clinical staff and establishes and promotes professional, clinical and ethical values and standards to which all clinical staff are expected to adhere. The medical director also promotes quality of care and is responsible for establishing and maintaining the department’s standards of care on both clinical and programmatic levels.

**General Counsel**

The general counsel’s office is responsible for a variety of department-wide and statewide functions in support of the department services, division offices and other support offices: providing legal advice and litigation support; providing investigations and consulting services to the divisions regarding client deaths and serious injury or risk; technical assistance with rules and policy
development; consumer rights monitoring; compliance with HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) privacy administration and coordination; and providing appeals and hearings for administrative due process.

Administration

The Office of Administration, headed by the department’s deputy director for administration, provides a range of administrative and financial services to help the department achieve effective results. Services provided by the Office of Administration can be divided into the following areas: the fiscal management section accounts for all funds, manages expenditures, and produces fiscal summaries, analyses, and reports; capital improvements and general services provides technical assistance on construction, maintenance and repair for 29 state-owned facilities, and coordinates leases; contracts and procurement secures more than 3,000 contracts with private agencies or individuals to provide services in the community; the reimbursements section collects payments from private insurance, Medicaid and Medicare, and private pay for department services and coordinates revenue maximization proposals; and budget services develops and monitors the annual operating and leasing budgets and oversees spending plans.

Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse

The Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse was established within the Department of Mental Health in 1975 and became a statutory entity in 1980 with the passage of the Omnibus Mental Health Act.

The division is responsible for assuring that treatment and prevention services are accessible and affordable for persons with substance abuse, addiction, or compulsive gambling problems, and those at risk for such disorders.

Over 491,000 Missouri residents—462,000 adults and 29,000 adolescents—need treatment due to their substance abuse or dependency, and thousands more need intervention services. Substance abuse costs the state’s economy over $6.9 billion per year—an average of $14,000 in losses caused by each untreated substance abuser. These costs are associated with deaths and injuries, crime, traffic crashes, workplace accidents, medical care, property destruction, insurance premiums, lost productivity, and other costs that are a burden on all Missourians.

Recent studies show that two-thirds of the clients receiving services in the division’s treatment programs remain alcohol-free and drug-free one year after entering treatment, and many others reduce their abuse of these substances. At least seven dollars in societal costs are saved in Missouri for each dollar invested in treatment services.

The division meets its responsibilities for comprehensive treatment, prevention, intervention and compulsive gambling services by contracting with community-based providers. The division’s administrative responsibilities include procurement and management of federal grants and state funds, contracts monitoring, program management, development and enforcement of standards of care, clinical utilization review, federal reporting, data management, research, training, technical assistance and public information.

Services are provided through the Comprehensive Substance Treatment and Rehabilitation (CSTAR) program, the Substance Abuse Traffic Offenders’ Program (SATOP), the state’s Medicaid program, other clinical programs and a comprehensive substance abuse prevention system.

State Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse

The State Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse was established by State Statute in 1980. Members are appointed by the director of the Department of Mental Health. The council is comprised of 25 members who collaborate with the department on developing and administering a state plan on alcohol and drug abuse; promote meetings and programs for discussing the reduction of the debilitating effects of alcohol or drug abuse; study and review current prevention, evaluation, care and rehabilitation technologies and recommend appropriate preparation, training and distribution of manpower and resources in the provision of services to persons affected by alcohol or drug abuse; and recommend specific methods, means and procedures to be adopted to improve and upgrade the alcohol and drug abuse service delivery system for citizens of Missouri. In addition to the State Advisory Council, Regional Advisory Councils have been established in each of the Division’s five
regions. Members of Regional Advisory Councils are appointed by the director of the Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse. Through public education and advocacy efforts, consumers and vendors of alcohol and drug abuse prevention, treatment and recovery services have become integral parts of defining priorities for the department and division on issues surrounding prevention, disparities, service array, recovery and housing. The council works with other advocacy groups at the local level to educate communities and individuals, disseminate information and support the development of accessible alcohol and drug abuse services and supports for individuals and families.

Members:
Wilkes, Rhonda, chair, Poplar Bluff;
Cordova, Luis, vice chair, Warrensburg;
Campbell, Curtis, Kansas City;
Carver, Mike, Springfield;
Davis, Jimmy, Doniphan;
Doherty, Stephen, Ballwin;
Dude, Kim, Columbia;
Duncan, Dan, Calverton Park;
Gibson, Marilyn, Springfield;
Grigsby, Sheila, St. Louis;
Hammond, Robin, St. Joseph;
Harper, John, Jefferson City;
Harris, Diana, St. Louis;
Hirsch, Angela, Jefferson City;
Johnson, Clifton Lee, Farmington;
Jordon, Scott, Farmington;
Mason, Gregory, Jefferson City;
Matichek, Robert, Ballwin;
Megerman, Charles, Kansas City;
Nelson, Sherry F., Palmyra;
Perry, Mona, North Kansas City;
Persky, Sylvia, Springfield;
Scott Joiner, Lisa, St. Louis;
Spare, Keith, Kansas City;
Towner, Robert A., Cape Girardeau;
Web, Ron, Poplar Bluff;
White, Greg, Jefferson City;
Williams, Darrell, Springfield.

Division of Comprehensive Psychiatric Services
The Division of Comprehensive Psychiatric Services provides inpatient and residential services for children and adults at 11 state-operated facilities. These include four long-term care facilities, three acute care hospitals, one facility with both acute and long-term services, one sexual offender treatment center, one children’s psychiatric hospital, and one children’s residential treatment center. These facilities are divided into four regions across the state; central, eastern, southern and western. Each region is directed by a chief executive officer who works directly with their respective facility chief operations officer for oversight at each facility.

In addition, the division contracts with not-for-profit community mental health centers to provide services for persons with mental illness in each of 25 geographic service areas. The agency responsible for service provision in each service area is designated as the division’s administrative agent. The administrative agents are responsible for assessment and service delivery to eligible individuals in their geographic service area. This includes responsibility to provide follow-up services to persons who have been discharged from state-operated inpatient services. Children and their families are also served by administrative agents.

Supported community living programs are provided to individuals with mental illness who require financial subsidies to support their housing needs or need more structured services to live in the community. Living arrangements in this program range from nursing homes to apartments and other settings that are integrated into the community. Persons in these programs are provided support through case management and community psychiatric rehabilitation program services provided by administrative agents.

During fiscal year 2004, the division provided:
• Inpatient services to 7,786 adults and 688 children;
• Outpatient and community support (includes residential) to 53,131 adults and 14,216 children; and
• Supported community living services to 5,815 adults and 268 children.

State Advisory Council for Comprehensive Psychiatric Services
The State Advisory Council for Comprehensive Psychiatric Services was first established in
1977 by the governor’s executive order. Members are appointed by the director of the Division of Comprehensive Psychiatric Services. The council is comprised of 25 members who advise and make recommendations on the development and coordination of a statewide inter-agency/inter-departmental system of care for children/youth with serious emotional disorders and persons with mental illness and their families. Through public education and advocacy efforts consumers of mental health services and their families have become integral parts of defining priorities for the division on issues surrounding accessible services, crisis intervention, children’s services, recovery and budget. The council works with other mental health advocacy groups in planning and coordinating Mental Health Awareness Day, an event that brings together consumers, family members, mental health professionals and advocates throughout the state where they participate at the Capitol in educational seminars and informational displays.

Members:

Lay, Donna, chair, West Plains;
Stanton, Sarah, vice chair, Kansas City;
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Bellatin, Anna Maria, Kansas City;
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Cook, Amy, Columbia;
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Minth, Helen, St. Louis;
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Fulton State Hospital

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Fulton State Hospital, authorized in 1847 and opened in 1851, is the oldest public mental health facility west of the Mississippi River. The hospital is certified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and has been accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) since 1984.

The 464-bed hospital provides inpatient adult psychiatric services, including treatment and psychosocial rehabilitation for forensic patients and other patients requiring long-term inpatient care. The term “forensic” is used to describe individuals who are charged with a crime and have been committed to the Department of Mental Health by a circuit court for either a pre-trial or pre-sentence evaluation, or for restoration of competence to stand trial, or as a result of an adjudication of Not Guilty by Reason of Mental Disease or Defect (NGRI). Specifically, the hospital serves: (a) forensic and long-term care patients from a 31-county area in the state’s Central Region totaling some 753,355 citizens; (b) patients from the entire state of Missouri who require hospitalization in maximum and intermediate security settings; and (c) forensic patients from a 21-county area in southwest Missouri totaling another 606,470 citizens.

The 88-bed Hearnes Psychiatric Center provides long-term inpatient care for the Central Region and minimum and campus security serv-
ervices for forensic patients from both the Central Region and southwest corner of the state. It includes the hospital's 21-bed ward that is certified by CMS.

Fulton has Missouri's only maximum and intermediate security units. The 201-bed Biggs Forensic Center provides treatment for individuals who have committed major offenses or those whose behavior in other settings demonstrates a need for a maximum security setting. Included is a program run in cooperation with the Department of Corrections (DOC) to provide acute mental health services for inmates from DOC and for jail detainees across the state whose charges or behavior require maximum security. The 175-bed Guhleman Forensic Center offers an intermediate security environment for former Biggs patients to progress toward increased liberty and responsibility. In addition, it provides a security setting for individuals whose charges or behavior do not require maximum security, but are nonetheless in need of a higher level of security than is available in other inpatient settings.

The hospital has a training affiliation with the University of Missouri’s Department of Psychiatry. In addition, it provides training experience to students from various clinical disciplines, including nursing, social work, and occupational therapy, and an internship and fellowship program in psychology.

**Mid-Missouri Mental Health Center**

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Mid-Missouri Mental Health Center is an acute care, inpatient psychiatric facility located on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia. Completed in 1967, the center was the first comprehensive mental health center to be federally funded under the Community Mental Health Reform Act of 1963. The center is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations and is certified for federal reimbursement under the Medicaid and Medicare programs.

Mid-Missouri Mental Health Center serves children ages six to 17 from a 31-county area located in the central, south central, north central and northeast sections of the state and adults from an 18-county area in central and north central sections of the state. Psychiatric services provided by the center include acute inpatient care for children, adolescents and adults and day treatment services for adolescents and children. The center's 69 inpatient beds are divided among four multi-disciplinary units; one 10-bed child and adolescent unit, and three adult psychiatric units.

Through its affiliation with the University of Missouri–Columbia and other colleges and universities, Mid-Missouri Mental Health Center provides training for students in psychiatry, psychology, psychiatric social work, nursing and recreational and occupational therapies.

**Southwest Missouri Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center**

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In December, 1997, Southwest Missouri Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center (SWMPRC), formerly Southwest Missouri Mental Health Center, moved into a new facility in El Dorado Springs from its previous location in Nevada. The 24-bed, adult psychiatric treatment facility provides both acute and long-term care for Service Area 8 and long-term care for Service Area 9 and 10. These Service Areas are located in the CPS...
Southwest Region, consisting of 21 counties in Southwest Missouri.

The Administrative Agents are the entry and exit points for all DMH funded psychiatric services in the southwest region. However, four beds designated for acute care are subject to EMTALA requirements. Each Administrative Agent manages admissions to assigned beds at Southwest Missouri Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center based upon percentage of population. The facility accepts those persons in need of treatment for serious psychiatric illnesses and disorders. The staff at the facility provide intensive psychosocial rehabilitation treatment, designed to facilitate person centered recovery and community integration. Administrative Agent staff are involved with the treatment process and discharge planning by attending a monthly Clinical Review meeting at the facility.

Following discharge, community-based care and treatment is provided by staff of the Administrative Agents through the POS Program, the decentralized community placement program, and the Medicaid-funded targeted case management and CPRC programs. Treatment services are monitored by the staff of the Southwest Regional Supported Community Living Program, located in Nevada.

Hawthorn Children’s Psychiatric Hospital

1901 Pennsylvania Ave.
St. Louis 63133
Telephone: (314) 512-7800 / FAX: (314) 512-7812

Hawthorn Children’s Psychiatric Hospital provides inpatient psychiatric services for severely emotionally disturbed children and adolescents, ages 6 to 17. The hospital serves the 31 counties of eastern and southeastern Missouri.

Hawthorn has been a free-standing child psychiatric facility in St. Louis County since 1989. The hospital is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations and certified for federal Medicaid reimbursement.

The 26-acre campus consists of a main building and five cottages which can house 60 psychiatric treatment beds. Hawthorn currently maintains 28 inpatient and 24 residential treatment beds. The hospital also operates a cooperative day treatment program providing psycho-educational services for 16 students in conjunction with the Special School District of St. Louis County.

Youth are assessed and provided comprehensive services addressing their psychiatric, psychological, social, educational, vocational and recreational needs. Diagnostic and treatment services are available for the juvenile courts.

Hawthorn has a training affiliation with the Psychiatry Department of the Washington University School of Medicine. The hospital also provides clinical experience to various student training programs, including the disciplines of social work, dietary, nursing and psychology.

Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center

5351 Delmar Blvd.
St. Louis 63112
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TT: (314) 877-0775
www.dmh.mo.gov/mpc

Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center (MPC) operates 112 beds for inpatient psychiatric care, five of which are also utilized for evaluation, medical detoxification and referral for clients with substance abuse problems.

The center operates an emergency room that provides screening, evaluation, crisis intervention, referral and admission. A clinical research program, staffed by psychiatrists from Washington University, is well established at the facility. Community education and consultation are provided by the staff of the facility as part of its effort toward the prevention of mental illness.

MPC is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and eligible for reimbursement under the Medicare and Medicaid programs. The center has a long and valued history as a site for professional education. In affiliation with Washington University School of Medicine, training is provided for psychiatric residents. With a consortium of other providers, MPC is nationally recognized for a clinical psychology pre-doctoral internship program. Other professions receiving training at MPC include social work, occupational therapy and nursing.
St. Louis Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center
5300 Arsenal St.
St. Louis 63139
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www.dmh.mo.gov/slprc

St. Louis Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center (formerly known as St. Louis State Hospital), originally founded in 1869, is a 196-bed facility providing care, treatment and rehabilitation for adults with mental illness who reside in St. Louis City and St. Louis, Jefferson, Franklin, St. Charles, Warren and Lincoln counties.

The facility currently accepts those persons in need of forensic psychiatric services and psychiatric services for severe and persistent mental illness. The staff of the center provide a variety of intensive psychosocial rehabilitation programs that facilitate a return to independent living within the community, while preserving public safety.

The St. Louis Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center continues to maintain its accreditation from the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, receiving its most recent accreditation in 2003.

Cottonwood Residential Treatment Center
1025 N. Sprigg
Cape Girardeau 63701
Telephone: (573) 290-5888 / TT: (573) 290-5293

Cottonwood is a 32-bed residential treatment center designed to meet the emotional and mental health needs of children and adolescents, ages 6 to 17.

The treatment center, which opened in 1987, provides intensive programming to children who do not require psychiatric hospitalization but who have behavioral and emotional problems related to socialization, impulse control and coping skills. The program centers on a psycho-educational method to develop the skills necessary to return to family and community. The interdisciplinary approach includes individual, group and family therapy, and provides psychological, recreational, educational, social work, dietetic and nursing services.

Cottonwood Residential Treatment Center is located on the campus of Southeast Missouri State
University in Cape Girardeau and serves as a training site for numerous programs of the university.

**Missouri Sexual Offender Treatment Center**

1016 W. Columbia
Farmington 63640
Telephone: (573) 218-7045 / FAX: (573) 218-7053

The Missouri Sexual Offender Treatment Center provides appropriate treatment, care, security and custody for those persons adjudicated as sexually violent predators. With the passage of the Sexually Violent Predator law, which was effective January 1, 1999, the Missouri General Assembly mandated that those individuals adjudicated by the court as “sexually violent predators” be committed indefinitely to the custody of the Director of Department of Mental Health for “control, care and treatment until such time that the person is safe to be at large.” In order for such commitments to pass constitutional scrutiny, the department provides care and treatment that is consistent with existing professional standards and practice. The law also requires that individuals committed for treatment as sexually violent predators be kept in a secure facility and housed separately from Department of Corrections’ inmates and from persons served by the Department of Mental Health who have not been found to be sexually violent predators.

The location and treatment of sexually violent predators is on the campus shared by Missouri Sexual Offender Treatment Center, Southeast Missouri Mental Health Center, and Farmington Correctional Center, in Farmington. As of Spring, 2005, there were 68 individuals committed for treatment, with 38 individuals detained who are in the commitment review process. Projections suggest that 17-25 individuals will be referred to the program for detention and evaluation each year. It is anticipated for the initial years of operation, the commitments to the center will greatly exceed court ordered releases.

In addition to the treatment and custody of sexually violent predators, the department is required to provide staff to participate in the multidisciplinary team to assist the Prosecutor’s Review Committee in determining whether an individual may meet the definition of a sexually violent predator. Further, the department is required to evaluate each individual for whom the court finds probable cause to believe the person is a sexually violent predator. Finally, the department must annually provide the committing court an annual report regarding the committed person’s mental condition.

**Southeast Missouri Mental Health Center**

1010 W. Columbia
Farmington 63640
Telephone: (573) 218-6792 / FAX: (573) 218-6703
www.dmh.mo.gov/southeast

Southeast Missouri Mental Health Center began in 1903 as Farmington State Hospital. In 1984, the Missouri General Assembly approved the conversion of most of the hospital into a medium-security prison, operated by the Department of Corrections. Subsequently in 1987, the state hospital was converted into a mental health center and moved into buildings adjacent to the prison.

The Acute Services Program operates a psychiatric emergency room and up to 88 inpatient beds for persons needing short-term hospital care. The Long-Term/Forensic Services program operates 90 minimum/campus security beds primarily for persons referred by the criminal courts for psychiatric evaluation and/or treatment. These programs are accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.
By cooperative agreement between the Departments of Corrections and Mental Health, the Corrections Treatment Center (CTC) operates on the grounds of Farmington Correctional Center. Within the CTC unit, the mental health center staffs a small, medium-security ward for inmates with psychiatric needs, and provides case management and services for a 200-bed social rehabilitation unit.

Northwest Missouri Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center

3505 Frederick Ave.
St. Joseph 64506
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TT: (816) 387-2300

Northwest Missouri Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center (NMPRC) provides adult long-term services for an 18-county area in northwest Missouri with a population of 256,780. It provides forensic services for that area plus an additional seven counties. The total population of the 25-county service area is 1,356,111.

The hospital opened as State Lunatic Asylum No. 2 in November 1874 on land east of St. Joseph. The capacity ranged from 250 beds to nearly 3,000 in the 1950s, and the name was changed to St. Joseph State Hospital. Over the years, downsizing occurred with the advent of better treatment options and emphasis on returning patients to the community.

In 1997, St. Joseph State Hospital was replaced with the current facility and renamed Northwest Missouri Psychiatric Rehabilitation Center. NMPRC currently provides 108 beds for adult, long-term psychiatric patients age 18 and over. Three wings, Carver, Lincoln and Twain, have 20 beds each, and are designated minimum security. Six cottages with eight beds each are designated as open campus security.

NMPRC is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations.

Western Missouri Mental Health Center

1000 E. 24th St.
Kansas City 64108
Telephone (816) 512-7000 / FAX: (816) 512-7509
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Western Missouri Mental Health Center opened in 1966 after legislation authorized state operation of community mental health centers in St. Louis, Columbia and Kansas City.

The center’s inpatient units for acute and intermediate care serve greater Kansas City, including the counties of Jackson, Johnson, Cass, Lafayette, Clay, Platte and Ray. The facility, accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Health Care Organizations, is certified for Medicaid or Medicare reimbursement.

Through affiliation with several academic institutions, including the University of Missouri–Kansas City, Western Missouri Mental Health Center provides training for students in psychiatry, clinical psychology, psychiatric social work, psychiatric nursing and activity therapy.

Western Missouri Mental Health Center moved into a new facility in January of 2004 after having occupied what was originally known as the old General Hospital No. 2 since 1966.

Division of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities

The Division of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, established in 1974, serves a population that has developmental disabilities such as mental retardation, cerebral palsy, head injury, autism, epilepsy and certain learning disabilities. Such conditions must have occurred before age 22 and are likely to continue indefinitely. To be eligible for services from the division, per-
sons with these disabilities must be substantially limited in their ability to function independently.

The division improves the lives of persons with developmental disabilities through supports and services to enable those persons to live independently and productively. In 1988, the division began participation in the Medicaid Home and Community Based Waiver Program, designed to help expand needed services throughout the state.

The division operates 17 facilities that provide or purchase specialized services. The 11 regional centers form the framework for the system and are backed by six habilitation centers that provide residential care and habilitation services for more severely disabled persons.

The regional centers, the primary points of entry into the system, provide assessment and case management services that include coordination of each eligible person's individualized plan.

Referrals may be made by a regional center to a habilitation center. Habilitation centers primarily serve persons who are severely disabled, behaviorally disordered, court-committed or medically fragile. All habilitation centers are Medicaid certified.

State and Regional Planning and Advisory Councils

The division receives consumer advice and planning assistance from the Missouri Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities and 11 regional councils. The regional council's members are drawn from areas served by the regional centers.

The Missouri Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities was created in 1971 under federal legislation. The council also serves, under Missouri statute, as the State Advisory Council on Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, providing advice to the division director and other state agencies that serve persons with developmental disabilities.

Missouri Planning Council members are appointed by the governor. The council develops and implements a state plan addressing systems change for Missourians with developmental disabilities.

Missouri Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities

O'Dell, Bobby, chair, Conway; Allan, Karen, Jefferson City; Boyle, George, Columbia; Browning, Jayne, Jefferson City; Fox, Terrie Jo, Lee's Summit; Freeman, Margaret, Poplar Bluff; Graham, Jamie, Kirksville;

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MARY FANGMANN
Superintendent, Marshall Habilitation Center

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Habilitation Centers

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Higginsville 64037
Telephone: (660) 584-2142; TDD: (660) 584-3935

Marshall Habilitation Center
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Administrative Offices  
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Northwest Habilitation Center  
11 Brady Circle  
St. Louis 63114  
Telephone: (314) 877-5650

South County Habilitation Center  
2312 Lemay Ferry Rd.  
St. Louis 63125  
Telephone: (314) 894-5400

St. Charles Habilitation Center  
22 Marr Ln.  
St. Charles 63303  
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Regional Centers

Albany Regional Center, 809 N. 13th St., Albany 64402; telephone: (660) 726-5246; TDD: (660) 726-5844.

Central Missouri Regional Center, 1500 Vandiver Dr., Ste. 100, Columbia 65202; telephone: (573) 882-9835; TDD: (573) 882-9835.

Hannibal Regional Center, 805 Clinic Rd., PO Box 1108, Hannibal 63401; telephone: (573) 248-2400; TDD: (573) 248-2415.

Joplin Regional Center, 3600 E. Newman Rd., Joplin 64802; telephone: (417) 629-3020; TDD: (417) 629-3020.

Kansas City Regional Center, 821 E. Admiral Blvd., Kansas City 64106; telephone: (816) 889-3400; TDD: (816) 889-3326.

Kirksville Regional Center, 1702 E. LaHarpe, Kirksville 63501; telephone: (660) 785-2500; TDD: (660) 785-2500.
Poplar Bluff Regional Center, 2351 Kanell Blvd., Poplar Bluff 63902; telephone: (573) 840-9300; TDD: (573) 840-9312.

Rolla Regional Center, 105 Fairgrounds Rd., Rolla 65402; telephone: (573) 368-2200; TDD: (573) 368-2200.

Sikeston Regional Center, 112 Plaza Dr., Sikeston 63801; telephone: (573) 472-5300; TDD: (573) 472-5391.

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