**Priority Populations**

The BHC-Full and Screen benefit packages have specific priority populations that can receive the state funded services.  The definitions that are included in the statute language are listed below:

* State-level justice-involved: persons who, within the previous six (6) months, have been released or paroled from an institution as defined by W.S. 7-13-401(a)(vi) or who are awaiting admission to evaluation from or have been evaluated by a facility as defined under W.S 7-11-301(a)(ii) and who require continuing treatment for a mental illness or substance use disorder.
* Non-state level justice involved: a) persons who, within the previous six (6) months, have been placed on probation and made subject to an intensive supervision program that includes treatment for a mental illness or a SUD; b) Persons who within the previous six (6) months have been convicted of or pled nolo contendre to a criminal offense and ordered to enroll in a treatment program for a mental illness or SUD as part of their sentence; c) Persons on probation, parole or who have been conditionally released, who within the previous six (6) months have been sanctioned under W.S. 7-13-1802(b)(iv) through (vi) and ordered to receive treatment for a mental illness or a SUD; d) Qualified offenders under W.S. 7-13-1301 through 7-13-1304 who within the previous six (6) months have been ordered to receive treatment for a SUD.
* Families at high risk: a) Children who have been discharged from an acute psychiatric facility or psychiatric residential treatment facility within the previous six (6) months and their immediate family members as defined by Department of Family Services rules; b) a child or the parent, legal guardian or another immediate family member, as defined by rule of the department of family services, referred to a behavioral health center by DFS for treatment for a mental illness or substance use disorder and the treatment, is necessary to prevent the removal of the child from the child’s home or prevent the removal of the child or to reunify the child with the family; c) A child who has been referred to a BHC by a youth crisis shelter, school, primary care provider, licensed therapist or law enforcement officer for treatment for mental illness or SUD that impacts the child’s life.
* Adults with Acute Mental Illness: persons who are subject to emergency detention, involuntary hospitalization order, or a directed outpatient commitment order or who were released from emergency detention or discharged from an involuntary hospitalization or directed outpatient commitment within the last six (6) months.
* Adults with Severe Mental Illness: a) persons who, based on diagnosis and history, have a substantial probability of being unable to meet their needs for food, shelter, and medical care if they do not receive regular mental health treatment or case management.  b) Vulnerable adult means any person eighteen (18) years of age or older who is unable to manage and take care of himself or his money, assets, or property without assistance as a result of advanced age or physical or mental disability. W.S. 35-20-102(a)(xviii).
* Indigent clients with high needs: Persons who meet the definition of indigent general access and who have a mental illness or SUD that substantially impairs their ability to function in society.
* Indigent general access clients: persons whose total household income is not more than two hundred (200%) of the federal poverty level.

In addition to the state-funded priority populations, the Behavioral Health Division has included the priority populations identified through the federal Community Mental Health and Substance Use Treatment, Prevention and Recovery Services (SUPTRS) block grants.  Individuals meeting the federal priority population definitions are considered eligible and should receive BHC-Full benefit plan services.

Mental Health Block Grant includes:

* Children and adolescents with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED),
* Adults with Serious Mental Illness and
* Veterans

The SUPTRS block grant includes:

* Pregnant Intravenous Drug Users
* Pregnant Women
* Intravenous Drug Users,
* Women and Parenting Women, and
* Veterans

**Required Mental Health Outpatient Services:**

Case management, clinical screening and assessment, crisis clinical response services, emergency care coordination and gatekeeping services, jail-based assessments, treatment and re-entry, medication management services, peer specialist services, recreation/socialization, individual rehabilitative services, individual/family Agency-based therapy, individual/family Community-based therapy, and group therapy.

**Optional Mental Health Outpatient Services:**

Group case management, day treatment, early serious mental illness, group rehabilitative services, supported employment, and supported education.

**Required Mental Health Residential Services:**

Community housing

**Optional Mental Health Residential Services:**

Sub-Acute crisis residential

**Required Substance Use Disorder Outpatient Services:**

Case management, clinical screening and assessment, jail-based treatment and re-entry, IOP, peer specialist services, individual rehabilitative services, individual/family Agency-based therapy, individual/family Community-based therapy, and group therapy (other than IOP).

**Optional Substance Use Disorder Outpatient Services:**

Group case management, client engagement services, crisis clinical response services, intensive outpatient treatment for women, MAT, medication management services, intensive individual rehabilitative services, group rehabilitative services, and supported employment.

**Required Substance Use Disorder Residential Services:**

Residential treatment services (Adult primary residential)

**Optional Substance Use Disorder Residential Services:**

Residential treatment services (Adolescent primary residential), pregnant women or women with children, detoxification services, and transitional housing.

**Note**: Centers can offer services through a formal written agreement with another provider or subcontractor