

Local Public Authorities: a Keystone in Suicide Prevention Infrastructure

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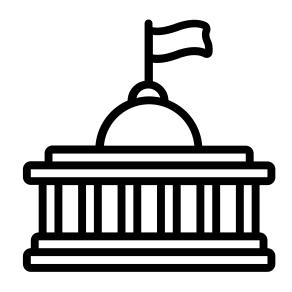


About NACBHDD

- Founded in 1989
- Represents local authorities
- Affiliate of NACo









About NARMH

- Includes Variety of Members
- Improving Access, Availability, and Acceptability
- Affiliate Of NACBHDD

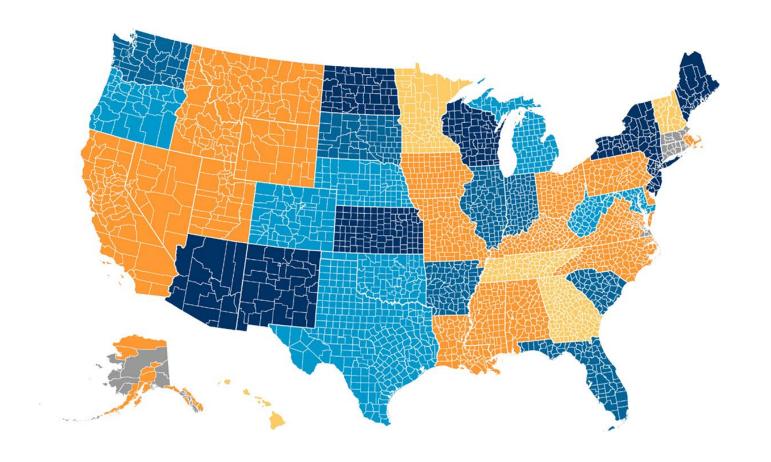






County Authorities

- Dillion Rule
 - Powers Granted by State
- Home Rule
 - Autonomy from State

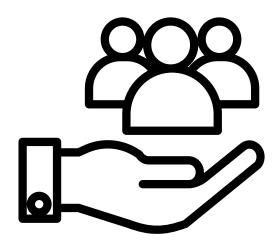


Source: NACo (2024). America's County Governments: A Short Primer on Our History, Definitions, Structures, and Authorities.



Behavioral Health Authorities

- Advise and Technical Assistance
- Administrative and Oversight
- Provide Direct Services





State Comparison Report

- Explain Local Public MH Systems
- Connection to Medicaid and Crisis Response
- Demonstrate Impact











Framework for Prevention

- Infrastructure
 - Economic Support
 - Access to Care
- Individual & Community
 - Coping Mechanisms
 - Healthy Connections







CDC. (2022). Suicide Prevention Resource for Action: A Compilation of the Best Available Evidence. Atlanta, GA: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Economic Supports

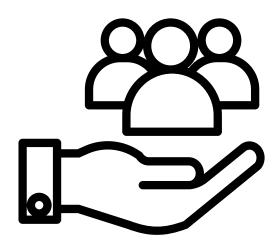
- 1115 Waivers for SDOH
- Local Pilots
- COVID Programs





Local Authority Roles

- Health Promotion
- Enabling Collaboration
- Crisis Response





Crisis Messaging Series

- Designed for Local Leaders
- Includes County Examples
- Next Report Focused on Rural







Crisis Funding Chart

- Federal, State, Local, and Private
 Funding Streams
- Includes County Examples
- Braid and Blend Funding





Scan the QR code to access the funding chart



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