Supporting the Journey - Timeline

1966 **MH/MR Act 1966** - Establishes County responsibility and authority to operate a community mental health and mental retardation program

1976 **Mental Health Procedures Act of 1976** – Establishes the procedures for treatment of persons with mental illness

1979 **Single County Authority (SCA) of Drug and Alcohol** - Establishes County SCA for the planning and evaluation of community drug and alcohol prevention, intervention, and treatment services

1979 **Hollidaysburg State Hospital** – First closure initiative

1980 **Retreat State Hospital and Embreeville State Hospital** - Closed

1981 **Eastern Pennsylvania Psychiatric Institute** - Closed

1984 **State Community Support Program (CSP) Advisory Committee** – Established by the Office of Mental Health (OMH) with federal funds to become a coalition for consumers, families and providers working together

**Student Assistance Program (SAP)** – Pilot in four school districts began

**Dixmont State Hospital** - Closed

1990 **Medicaid Matching Funds** - County base funds are first used as state match for Medicaid State plan

**Consumer/Family Satisfaction Team (C/FST)** – Initiation of concept of consumer and families conducting evaluation of services to determine satisfaction began in Philadelphia

1990 **Philadelphia State Hospital** - Closed

1991 **Community Hospital Integration Projects Program (CHIPP)** - Dollars follow person from hospital to community to promote discharge, build infrastructure

1992 **Woodville State Hospital** - Closed

1994 **Therapeutic Staff Support (TSS), Mobile Therapy, and Behavioral Specialist consultant services** - Added to the fee schedule for Medicaid funding

1995 **OMH Vision Statement** - Vision Statement adopted that embraces the concept of recovery and a life in the community for all
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Youth Suicide Prevention Task Force – Created to develop Youth Suicide Prevention Plan

2001 Lehigh/Capital HC BH Zone - Ten counties in Lehigh/Capital begin HC BH program

Presidents New Freedom Initiative (NFI) - Nationwide effort to remove barriers to community living for people of all ages with disabilities and long-term illnesses

MISA Pilot Projects - Solicitation for Pilot Projects that Integrate Services and Systems of Care for Persons with Co-occurring Mental Health and Substance Abuse Disorders – 5 MISA pilot projects funded to develop services models

Co-occurring Core Training Curriculum - Developed a Co-occurring Core Training Curriculum for professionals in partnership with Drexel University

2003 Achieving the Promise: Transforming Mental Health Care in America – Final New Freedom Initiative (NFI) report issued. Concludes system is not oriented to single most important goal – the hope of recovery

OMHSAS Guiding Principles – Stakeholder partnered with OMHSAS to establish a set of guiding principles that would direct future priorities

Community/Hospital Integration Plan - OMHSAS implements Service Area Planning (SAP) to target discharge of persons in state hospitals over two years

Co-occurring State Incentive Grant (COSIG) – SAMSHA grant awarded to implement integrated mental health/drug and alcohol treatment programs and policies; five MISA/COD pilots awarded

2004 OMHSAS Statewide Advisory Committee – Restructured to be more inclusive and responsive to stakeholder community; children, adult and older adult sub-committees establish priority objectives

OMHSAS Recovery Workgroup – Established to develop blueprint for a more recovery-oriented service system

DPW Integrated Children’s Service Plan (ISCP) – Established guidelines for integrated plan across all child-serving systems

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Mental Health Systems Transformation Grant - $300,000 awarded to OMHSAS for the development and refinement of a training curriculum and peer certification process known as the Pennsylvania Peer Specialist Initiative (PSI)

Performance Based Contracting – Issued baseline report of selected performance measures for the HC-BH program in the SE, SW and Lehigh/Capital zones (25 counties)

Transition Age Youth Pilot – Project funds awarded to five counties
Autism Task Force – Published final report recommending the creation of an autism program office in Pennsylvania

Co-Occurring Disorder Professional Credential (CCDP) – Credential developed in collaboration with the Pennsylvania Certification Board for competency-based certification for professionals working with persons diagnosed with mental health and substance abuse disorders

2005 A Call for Change: Toward a Recovery Oriented Service System for Adults - OMHSAS publishes recommendations of Recovery Workgroup. Creates a mandate for system transformation and definition for recovery

Report for Pennsylvania Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People in Pennsylvania – OMHSAS commissioned report to identify the additional services necessary to meet the needs of deaf, hard of hearing and deaf-blind populations with mental illness and substance use disorders.

OMHSAS Quality Management Committee – statewide QM committee established in partnership with behavioral health stakeholders.

Multisystemic Therapy (MST) and Functional Family Therapy (FFT) – evidence based practices for children and adolescents are funded by Medicaid

2006 Harrisburg State Hospital (HSH) Closed – Five counties served by HSH develop a Service Area Plan resulting in the closure of HSH and consolidation with Wernersville State Hospital

Northeast HC BH zone - Four NE counties begin HC BH program

Behavioral Health Fee-for-Service – OMHSAS assumes management of utilization review for the BH FFS program

OMHSAS Forensic Workgroup Recommendations – Report to advance responsiveness to people with mental illness and/or substance use disorders involved in the criminal justice system

Centers of Excellence – Stakeholder workgroup developed guidelines for establishing Centers of Excellence

Co-Occurring Disorder Competency Approval Criteria Bulletin – Established a single set of criteria for any facility licensed by the Department of Health, Division of Drug and Alcohol Program Licensure or the Department of Public Welfare, Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to become approved as a Co-Occurring Competent Program
**COSIG Co-Occurring Executive Report** – Stakeholder document providing recommendations for infrastructure implementation to support a co-occurring system of care

**Early Childhood Mental Health (ECMH) Consultation** – funded by Heinz Foundation for three of the PA Key regions, administered by OCDEL in partnership with OMHSAS

2007 **A Plan for Promoting Housing and Recovery Oriented Services** – OMHSAS outlines important guidelines for implementing supportive housing models and modernizing housing approaches

**Youth and Family Training Institute established** – University of Pittsburgh awarded contract to train all counties on strategies to implement High Fidelity Wraparound

**Guidelines for respite for families of children in the behavioral health system** – budget allocation approved to fund respite services.

**Office of Autism Affairs** – DPW created the OAA to develop and manage services and supports to enhance the quality of life for Pennsylvanians living with Autism Spectrum Disorders and to support their families and caregivers

**School Wide Positive Behavioral Supports (SWPBS)** – first established in 25 schools

**OMHSAS Youth Subcommittee** – added to OMHSAS Advisory Committee with two voting members on both the Children’s and Adult Advisory Committees

2008 **OMHSAS County Housing Policy** – OMHSAS issues statewide policy to increase the development of supported housing, and counties required to develop housing plans in County Mental Health Plan

**Statewide HC BH Implementation achieved with North/Central Zone** – 42 remaining counties implement HC BH program, completing statewide implementation

**Pay for Performance (P4P)** – OMHSAS developed P4P measurement criteria in 25 HealthChoices BH counties to reward gains in quality of care.

**Bureau of Autism Services** – Established from Office of Autism Affairs in the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP)

**Positive Practices Resource Team** – OMHSAS and ODP partner to provide technical assistance to serve persons with intellectual disabilities with at-risk behavioral challenges
Co-Occurring Disorder Certification – Pennsylvania process becomes the international standard of competency for professionals treating individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders

Mayview State Hospital – MSH closure; SAP for five county region establishes mental health system without future use of state hospital

Special Pharmaceutical Benefits Program - OMHSAS assumes responsible for administration of SPBP

Certified Peer Specialist and Mobile Mental Health Treatment - Amended Medicaid State Plan to add Certified Peer and MMH treatment reinforcing commitment to recovery-oriented service array

Act 62 Enacted – Autism Insurance Act requires many private health insurance companies to cover up to $36,000 per year of commercial insurance coverage for diagnosis and treatment services for children under age 21

Trauma Informed Care Initiative, Sanctuary Model – Twenty-one Residential Treatment Facilities receive training and consultation to implement this organizational trauma informed care model

Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care (MTFC) – Components funded by Medicaid

Assertive Community Treatment – OMHSAS issues statewide standards for licensure of ACT programs in the Commonwealth

A Call for Change: Employment, A Key to Recovery – OMHSAS establishes the goal of increasing the number of persons served by the behavioral health system who are competitively employed

SMI Innovations – Center for Health Care Strategies grant, Rethinking Care program, to improve quality and reduce expenditures to MA members with complex medical and behavioral health needs

Youth and Family Training Institute – Intergovernmental Agreement with University of Pittsburgh to train all counties on High-Fidelity Wraparound

Systems of Care Initiative – SAMHSA grant awarded to OMHSAS to create system of care partnerships to serve youth 8-18 in or at-risk of out-of-home placement

Garrett Lee Smith Youth Suicide Prevention Program Grant – Implemented an early identification system within primary care medical systems for youth at high risk for suicide

The Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 – Signed into law on October 3, 2008
**Integrated Treatment Standards Workgroup** – Convened a time-limited stakeholder group to develop integrated treatment standards for outpatient providers to treat persons with co-occurring disorders under a single license

**Drug and Alcohol Coalition** – DOH/DPW supported stakeholder coalition charged with making recommendations to enhance the system of care to address the needs of individuals with substance use and co-occurring disorders based on best science and practice guidelines

**Expedited Enrollment** – Established process for Single County Authorities to assist individuals in need of drug and alcohol residential treatment to apply for Medical Assistance and expedite enrollment in HealthChoices upon verification of eligibility.

**2009 Pennsylvania Peer Support Coalition** – Statewide peer-run coalition established

**LGBTQI Workgroup** – Issues recommendations to OMHSAS addressing access and inclusion in behavioral health services for lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender, questioning, and intersex individuals

**SMI Innovations** – Pilot project launched in the Southwest and Southeast to enhance coordination of physical and behavioral health services for persons with serious mental illness

**Forensic Center of Excellence** – OMHSAS and Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency jointly funded Center of Excellence

**Recovery-Orient System Indicators (ROSI)** – OMHSAS contracts for study of consumer perception of care by adults enrolled in HC-BH program

**Functional Behavioral Assessment Bulletin** – DPW issued a bulletin declaring the use of an FBA during assessment and intervention as the standard of care for treating children and adolescents who have behavioral health needs compounded by developmental disorders

**Persons in Recovery Sub-Committee** – Established a subcommittee of the OMHSAS Advisory Committee to provide feedback, input and recommendations on systemic issues related to integrating co-occurring care, substance use program development and implementation, and transformation to a recovery-oriented system

**2010 Allentown State Hospital Closed** - OMHSAS closes the Allentown State Hospital on December 15, 2010

**SAMHSA System of Care Grant** – OMHSAS awarded five-year federal grant to establish cross-system evidence-based practices for children’s systems in Pennsylvania

**Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services** – OMHSAS submits state plan amendment to CMS for PRS inclusion as a Medicaid state plan service
Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) – Heinz endowment grant provides funds for this evidence-based practice for young children and their families