

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL PROGRAMS

ABOUT US

In recognition of the tremendous human and economic toll of substance use disorder and its impact on multiple state agencies, Act 50 of 2010 created the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP) – formerly a bureau under the Department of Health – appointing a Secretary to answer directly to the Governor and shifting all duties to the newly created department.

Acting as the Single State Authority for substance use disorder services since July 1, 2012, DDAP is responsible for the administration of control, prevention, intervention, treatment, rehabilitation, research, education, and training activities across all Pennsylvania state agencies.

DDAP FUNCTIONS



DEVELOP AND MANAGE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION, AND TREATMENT SERVICES

DDAP oversees the implementation and delivery of evidence-based programs, services, guidelines, and policies throughout the commonwealth for communities, families, and treatment facilities, while developing and providing services to priority populations like veterans, pregnant women, and women with children.



DISTRIBUTE FUNDING TO COUNTY DRUG AND ALCOHOL OFFICES

DDAP provides state and federal funds to 47 county drug and alcohol offices, known as Single County Authorities (SCAs), which coordinate access to treatment, case management, and recovery support services at the local level.



PROVIDE FUNDING FOR UNINSURED INDIVIDUALS

DDAP provides treatment funding to individuals who do not have insurance or whose current insurance does not cover the necessary services.



SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER AND PROBLEM GAMBLING TREATMENT

DDAP is responsible for licensing freestanding drug and alcohol treatment facilities and contracts with licensed agencies and private practice clinicians to provide outpatient gambling counseling services.



REFERRAL SERVICE FOR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER AND PROBLEM GAMBLING

DDAP provides funding for the PA Get Help Now hotline 1-800-662-HELP to provide individuals with substance use disorder and their families with treatment information and services in their area. DDAP also contracts with the Council on Compulsive Gambling of Pennsylvania, Inc. to manage its toll-free Pennsylvania Gambling Helpline 1-800-GAMBLER