

What is the Dual Diagnosis Cohort #1?

The Dual Diagnosis Cohort #1 is a group of DDA providers committed to supporting people with **dual diagnosis** (Mental health needs/Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities) in Maryland.

Cohort #1 will serve an important role in establishing the foundation for learning, capacity building, and policy that is uniquely “Maryland” to ensure best practices related to supporting people with dual diagnosis.

A key outcome of Cohort #1 will be to build a sustainable model of care that can be replicated. This cohort is not meant to function in a silo; rather the strength of the cohort comes from its collaborative relationships.

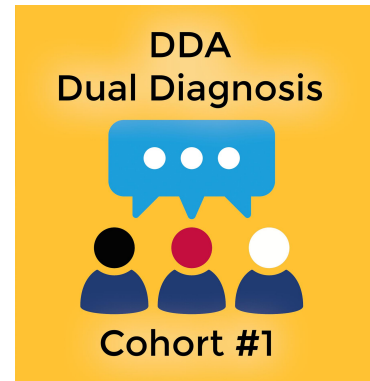
What is the purpose of the Cohort?

- Create a peer-to-peer collaborative learning space
 - Build capacity to increase knowledge, expertise, skills, and tool development for Direct Support Professionals (DSP), Providers, Clinicians, Coordinators...
 - Create a system of care that is equitable, trauma-informed and implements positive behavioral supports that can meet the needs of people with dual diagnosis
 - Expand the Cohort Model
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Who are the members of the Cohort?

This first cohort will be supported by local organizations, national associations, Maryland families and provider networks including but not limited to our current partners:

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- Monica McCall, Cohort Facilitator
- Dr. Karyn Harvey, (Trauma Informed Care)
- Jeanne Farr, National Association of Dual Diagnosis (NADD)
- Dr. Jason Noel, University of Maryland (Clinical Pharmacology)
- Laura Howell, Maryland Association of Community Services (MACS)

Maryland Department of Health cohort champions include:

- Nicholas Burton, DDA
- Dr. Lisa Hovermale, DDA
- Dr. Meg De Pasquale, DDA
- Terrence Proctor, DDA
- Janet Furman, DDA
- Dr. Richard Lichenstein, BHA
- Marshall Henson, BHA

Cohort # 1 participating agencies and leaders:

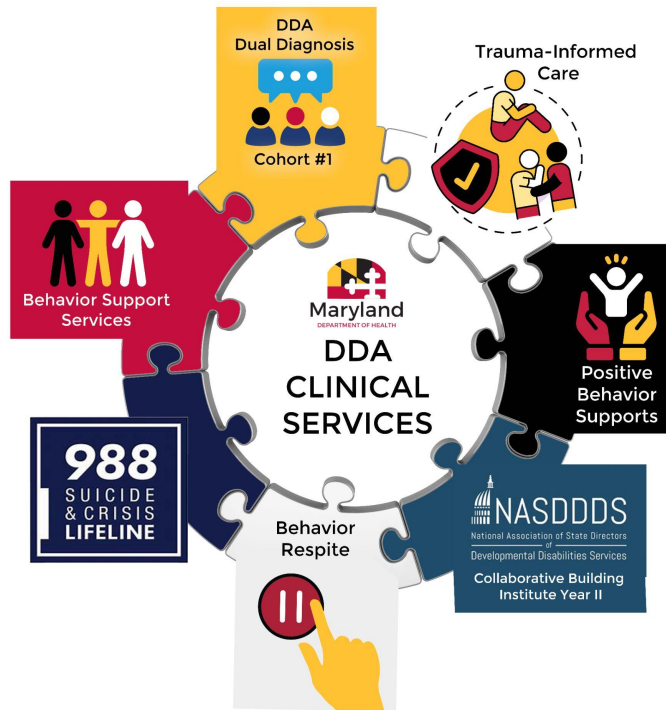
- Chris Diehl, Benchmark Human Services
- Beth Eby, Creative Options
- Cindy Truett, Humanim
- Zac Dingle, Jumoke
- Carole Argo, NCIA
- Nilanjana Moulick, Optimal Health Care
- Mohamed Kamara, Our Care
- Karen Lee, SEEC
- Sandy Adkins, Somerset Community Services
- Shawn Kros, Arc Northern Chesapeake Region

How does the Cohort fit in with DDA's other Clinical Services Services?

The DDA is committed to blending resources across Clinical Services to ensure consistency and best practice. These services rely on one another to best support the needs of the individuals DDA serves. For more information about these services please see the DDA Clinical/Behavioral Services at a Glance Link below.

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Need more information or interesting in joining cohort #2?

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