Wisconsin Mental Health HPSAs
Federally Designated Health Professional Shortage Areas
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Legend

Geographic HPSA

* Data definitions in notes.

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Map Notes:

• This map shows the defined areas that have been federally designated as Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas – mental health HPSAs at the time of this publication.
• Mental Health HPSAs have significant shortages of psychiatrists and meet the following criteria for federal designation:
  - Rational service area (e.g., county or cluster of towns or census tracts),
  - Percent of the population below poverty,
  - Population to psychiatrist ratio, and
  - Contiguous area resources not available.
• The psychiatrists who are counted include general and child/adolescent. Other mental health providers are not required to be counted at this time.
• Geographic HPSAs reflect a psychiatrist shortage for the area’s general resident population and have a population to psychiatrist ratio of ≥ 30,000 to 1.0 FTE or higher. High need areas (regions with the highest prevalence of alcohol or substance use in the state) can be designated with a ratio of ≥ 20,000 to 1.0 FTE.
• There are no low-income population mental health HPSAs in Wisconsin at this time.
• Every geographic HPSA must be reviewed and federally re-designated after three full years.
• This map does not show the other two types of federally designated HPSAs: facilities (e.g., state correctional facilities) or automatic safety net facilities (e.g., community health centers, tribal health centers, and certified rural health clinics).
• The Wisconsin Department of Health Services – Primary Care Office (PCO) collects clinic and psychiatrist data and submits state applications to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) for federal designation of HPSAs.
• The complete and most current list of all federally designated HPSAs is available on HRSA’s web page at: http://hpsafind.hrsa.gov/
• This map was prepared by the Wisconsin PCO and contracted HPSA staff at the Wisconsin Primary Health Care Association.
• More information on HPSAs and the linked federal and state benefits is available on the Wisconsin PCO web page. http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/primarycare/ShortageDesignation.htm