



HOWARD COUNTY AUTISM SOCIETY

RESOURCES: Mental Health & Autism Panel Discussion on May 20, 2021

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Howard County Autism Society: <https://howard-autism.org>
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Crisis Hotline: In Maryland, call 211, press 1

Grassroots Crisis Intervention: 410-531-6677 (TDD for Hearing Impaired 410-531-5086)

Maryland Coalition for Families: [Maryland Coalition of Families \(mdcoalition.org\)](http://mdcoalition.org)

Helps families who care for someone with behavior health needs.

NAMI Howard County: [National Alliance on Mental Illness | Health Organization \(namihowardcounty.org\)](http://namihowardcounty.org)

An organization of families, friends and individuals whose lives have been affected by mental illness.

Community Outreach Division at Howard County Police Department

410-313-2207 or HCPDOutreach@howardcounty.org

Howard County Behavioral Health Directory – includes listings of mental health professionals in Howard County

http://www.hclhic.org/images/Directory_Being_Updated_10-19-20.pdf

Behavioral Health Navigator: Leah Bulka, 410-313-6240

Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition – Behavioral Health Resources

<http://www.hclhic.org/resources/behavioral-health-resources>

Transition for Youth with Mental Health Challenges

1. Maryland Coalition of Families - [What Happens When My Child Turns 18 \(mdcoalition.org\)](http://mdcoalition.org)
2. Humanim Health Transitions Program [Mental Health – Humanim](http://humanim.org)
3. **Accessible Resources for Independence (ARI)** is a Center for Independent Living (CIL) serving people with disabilities throughout Anne Arundel and Howard County. To learn more, contact Jill Pierce, Transition Specialist for DORS at Jill.Pierce@maryland.gov. For more about ARI's mission, services, and staff please visit [https://arinow](https://arinow.org) .

Here is a link for EMTLA (Emergency Medical Treatment & Labor Act)

<https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EMTALA>

GBRICS Partnership (Greater Baltimore Regional Integrated Crisis System)

[GBRICS Partnership – Behavioral Health System Baltimore \(bhsbaltimore.org\)](http://bhsbaltimore.org)

The Greater Baltimore Regional Integrated Crisis System (GBRICS) Partnership will invest \$45 million over five years to transform behavioral health crisis response services in Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Carroll County and Howard County. GBRICS will expand the capacity of mobile crisis teams and community-based providers to reduce police interaction and overreliance on emergency departments.

Autism Society of America: Mental Health and Well-Being

[Mental Health and Well-Being - Autism Society \(autism-society.org\)](http://autism-society.org)