

## About Mental Health Systems

Mental Health Systems (MHS) is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1978 to provide innovative and cost-effective behavioral health and drug and alcohol recovery services. Our agency was established to improve people's lives and instill hope by using new and creative treatment strategies while respecting time-proven methods of intervention. We are committed to providing services in the least restrictive settings that best assure the success of our clients.

MHS is a \$66 million organization with more than 750 employees. Our clinicians, counselors, doctors, facilitators and support staff are committed to offering exceptional care and treatment. Our staff contribute years of education and expertise to all MHS programs and services. Above all, they genuinely care about people and strive to bring hope, integrity and an environment of choice to people's lives.

Over the years, MHS has expanded its services to meet growing community needs. We have evolved into a comprehensive agency that provides state-of-the-art mental health, alcohol and drug treatment services. These services include a broad range of prevention, early intervention, integrated treatment, diversion and vocational programs.

Currently, MHS operates more than 75 community-based programs throughout California. Leading the field of non-profit behavioral health services, our expertise and scope is unparalleled. We offer culturally appropriate, client-centered and strengths-based services in our programs for children, transition age youth, adults, older adults and families. Most MHS programs are publicly funded and available to those who cannot afford privately paid services and would be otherwise unable to receive them.

Our programs provide services to individuals, families and communities who have unique needs, including but not limited to the seriously mentally ill, dually diagnosed, transitioning youth, homeless mentally ill, homeless veterans, and individuals involved with the criminal justice or correctional system.

In 2012, MHS founded Novata Behavioral Health (Novata) to serve commercially insured individuals and families who are not otherwise eligible for MHS programs. Novata services proactively address behavioral health with a focus on mental health, alcohol and drug treatment services.

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