

**Telephone consultations** provided by a team of child psychiatrists and behavioral health professionals.



**Education and training** opportunities related to pediatric behavioral health.



**Expanded training and consultation** to emergency room physicians and team members.



**Resources** and **referral** assistance.



**Co-located Social work** Interns from Salisbury University and Morgan State University in primary care sites.



**Telemental health** services provided by child psychiatrists and behavioral health professionals.



**Care coordination** for all telemental health patients.



## Project ECHO®

(Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) to provide inter-disciplinary training and case-based learning.

"Thank you all for your help each and every time I call, you do a great job."

– provider in Frederick County



## **Background & Services**

The Maryland Behavioral Health Integration in Pediatric Primary Care (BHIPP) program was established to support and expand primary care's role in delivering mental health care to children and their families. The program, supported by the Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration, was piloted in fall 2012 and has been operating statewide since 2013.

BHIPP is a partnership of the University of Maryland School of Medicine, the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, Salisbury University and Morgan State University.

In 2019, BHIPP received a HRSA grant to expand services to include telemental health care, care coordination and Project ECHO. Initial service expansion is focused on southern, western and the lower shore of Maryland. In 2021, BHIPP expanded consultation and training services to emergency room physicians and team members in target regions of MD.

## Outcomes

- ✓ 1,460 PCPs have enrolled and/or called the consultation line.
- ✓ PCPs who use BHIPP services represent every county in Maryland.
- ✓ Over 1,600 behavioral health resources are compiled in our statewide database for PCPs.
- ✓ Consultation volume has steadily increased since the program's inception. Over 8,500 telephone consultations and more than 9,600 social work visits have been completed.

