

MEMBERSHIP MONDAY: BAMSI

Highlighting BAMSI's Impact on the Community

At the Providers' Council, we are proud to highlight the impactful work of our members who are strengthening communities across the Commonwealth. This week, for Membership Monday, we are featuring Brockton Area Multi-Services, Inc. (BAMSI), a nonprofit human services organization dedicated to supporting individuals and families through compassionate, community-based care. For nearly 50 years, BAMSI has offered a wide range of services that uplift and empower people across Massachusetts, including behavioral health supports, coordinated care, early childhood programs, harm-reduction services, brain injury and disability supports, and community living programs. Guided by a philosophy of recovery, resiliency, and self-determination, BAMSI focuses on building meaningful connections and helping individuals thrive in their communities.

Who is BAMSI and What Do They Do?

Founded in 1975, Brockton Area Multi-Services, Inc. (BAMSI) has grown into one of Massachusetts' largest and most trusted human services organizations. BAMSI is a private, non-profit human services organization. It was created through a public/private partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health to support the shift from large state hospitals to community-based care. BAMSI initially focused on services for the developmentally disabled and quickly expanded to include counseling, housing assistance, and other support programs. Over its 50-year history, BAMSI has grown significantly. Today, with a workforce of nearly 2,000, BAMSI provides services to over 50,000 individuals annually across more than 120 locations, from Worcester to Lakeville and Quincy to Fall River.

Building on this foundation, BAMSI now offers a comprehensive continuum of programs designed to meet individuals and families where they are and support them through every stage of life. Their approach integrates physical, emotional, and social well-being, ensuring that each person receives coordinated, person-centered care tailored to their unique strengths and needs.

BAMSI's services include:

- **Behavioral Health:** outpatient therapy for adults, children, and youth; medication management, crisis services, and community-based flexible supports, including residential and individual living supports.
- **Health & Care Coordination:** integrated clinical care support addressing social determinants of health, care navigation, and support for people with chronic medical, behavioral, developmental, or intellectual needs.

- **Community Supports:** day habilitation, adult community clinical services, brain injury programs, clubhouse services, employment supports, and senior services.
- **Youth & Family Services:** early intervention, parent support networks, home-based services, therapeutic mentoring, after-school programs, and youth coordinated care.
- **HIV/AIDS & SUD Services:** harm-reduction programs, case management, and overdose prevention. Offering education through the C.O.P.E. Center, and access to medical, social and community support.
- **Peer-Led Supports:** including Recovery Connections Community and the Young Adult Access Center for LGBTQIA+ youth, BIPOC young adults, and those facing housing instability or mental health challenges.



When Did BAMSI Join The Providers' Council and Why?

BAMSI has been a long-standing member of the Providers' Council and shared the following reflection on their involvement: "At BAMSI we truly believe in the incredible work that the Provider's Council does to bring together nonprofits across the human services sector. The Council consistently provides its members with high-quality resources in the areas of public policy research and advocacy, as well as communications, education and training, and cost-savings programs. At BAMSI, we are particularly proud of our engagement with The Caring Force, a grassroots advocacy initiative of the Provider's Council. Our staff, persons served, and board members are proud to participate in the local and statewide rallies coordinated by the Caring Force. Each year, these rallies provide us with opportunities to come together to advocate for our most vulnerable neighbors while ensuring that human services workers receive the pay, recognition, and respect they deserve."



“ At BAMSI, our partnership with the Provider's Council enhances our ability to serve and strengthen our communities. Celebrating 50 years, we value their unwavering support as a voice for community-based human services, shaping key policies and fostering dedicated leaders. Together, we're driven to create meaningful change and build the strongest, most effective human services sector in the U.S. – transforming lives and making a lasting impact.

– Peter Evers, President & CEO, BAMSI

Looking Ahead: BAMSI's Continued Commitment to Support and Innovation

As BAMSI celebrates 50 years of supporting individuals, families, and communities across Massachusetts, they remain focused on expanding accessible, community-based services and strengthening their person-centered, recovery-driven approach. Their priorities moving forward include deepening partnerships, enhancing supports addressing the social determinants of health, and continuing to advocate for policies that uplift both the human services workforce and the individuals they serve. With a growing network of programs and a continued commitment to advocacy, including active participation in The Caring Force, BAMSI looks ahead to shaping an even stronger and more equitable human services sector for decades to come.

Want to learn more about BAMSI, their programs, and the Providers' Council? Explore the links below to learn more about their services, upcoming initiatives, and opportunities to get involved.

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