Pediatric Psychiatry Collaborative

The Pediatric Psychiatry Collaborative (PPC) is a program organized by Hackensack Meridian Health and Cooper University Hospital and funded by the NJ Department of Children and Families. The program aims to improve the comfort and competence of primary care physicians and pediatricians to screen, identify and care manage children with mental health concerns. Currently serving providers in Monmouth, Ocean, Camden and Burlington Counties, Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Mercer, Middlesex and Salem Counties, the PPC is expanding into Bergen, Hunterdon, Somerset, Sussex, Warren, Morris, Passaic, Hudson, and Union Counties. Pediatric providers in 20 New Jersey counties will now have quick access to mental/behavioral health consultative and referral services for the children and families in their care. The program is available for children up to age 18 and requires the child’s primary care provider (PCP) to universally offer standardized mental/behavioral health screenings, including that of substance use at each child’s well visit. PCPs refer patients to their regional Hub for access to child mental/behavioral health services, including substance use. Below you will find a list of the counties and their corresponding Hubs, as well as the leadership teams for each.

- Monmouth & Ocean
  (Meridian Hub @ Jersey Shore)
- Burlington, Gloucester, & Camden
  (Cooper Hub @ Camden)
- Mercer & Middlesex
  (Meridian Hub @ St. Peter’s)
- Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, & Salem
  (Cooper Hub @ Pennsville)
- Bergen
  (Hackensack University Medical Center Hub)
- Hunterdon, Somerset, Sussex & Warren
  (AtlanticHealth Hub @ Newton)
- Morris & Passaic
  (AtlanticHealth Hub @ Goryeb)
- Hudson & Union
  (Hackensack Meridian Hub @ Palisades)
- Essex County
  - Served by Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care