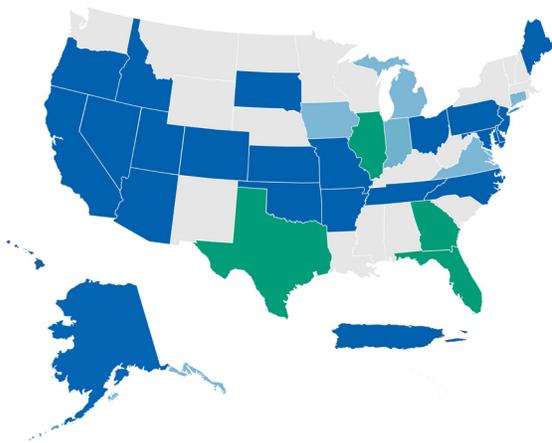




Americares U.S. Program has been addressing the critical need for mental health care in the United States since 2015. The program provides free psychotropic and primary care medications to a network of community mental health centers and nonprofit and public behavioral health providers. These partners offer Americares-donated medicines to low-income, uninsured and underinsured patients with mental illness. Our support helps resource-constrained mental health safety net organizations improve quality of care, alleviate product shortages, reduce out-of-pocket expenses and expand treatment options.

In collaboration with the National Council for Behavioral Health, Americares conducted a national survey of mental health safety net providers. The survey gathered information on medications and other resources that are needed to better treat uninsured and underinsured patients with mental illness who are served by the sector. This information is helping Americares offer new programmatic opportunities and capacity-building initiatives for our behavioral health partners.



### Our Network

- States with 1 to 3 BH partners
- States with 4 to 9 BH partners
- States with 10 or more BH partners

*Behavioral health providers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico are invited to join our partner network.*

**Mental illness is a significant and widespread problem that disproportionately affects poor, uninsured populations.**

- ▶ 1 in 5 adults in the U.S. – 43.8 million people – experience mental illness in a given year.
- ▶ 10 million U.S. adults are coping with a serious mental illness such as major depression, bipolar disorder and schizophrenia.
- ▶ 5.1 million adults have unmet mental health needs, primarily due to the high cost of care.
- ▶ \$193.2 billion is lost in earnings each year as a result of serious mental illness.

### Americares U.S. Program has:



**Delivered** more than \$92 million in psychotropic and primary care medicines and other resources to BH providers.



**Established** a network of 145 BH partners with 1.9+ million patients in 34 states, D.C. and Puerto Rico.



**Provided** enough psychotropic medications to fill more than 14,216 prescriptions a month.