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BUILDING GEORGIA'S SYSTEM OF CARE NETWORK TOGETHER

Connecting Statewide Strategy, Local Partnerships, and Community Action

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Mission, Structure, and Statewide Role

- Mindworks functions as a subgroup of the Behavioral Health Coordinating Council (BHCC).
- The BHCC was established in 2009 by the 150th Georgia General Assembly and Governor Sonny Perdue through **O.C.G.A. §37-2-4.**
- As a subgroup, Mindworks reports to and aligns with the priorities of the BHCC.
- The BHCC may assign specific work requests to Mindworks and provides high-level oversight and strategic support for its initiatives.
- The DBHDD Commissioner serves as Chair of the BHCC, ensuring alignment across statewide behavioral health priorities.

Why this work matters

- **Georgia has made tremendous progress expanding behavioral health services, but children and families still experience a fragmented system.**

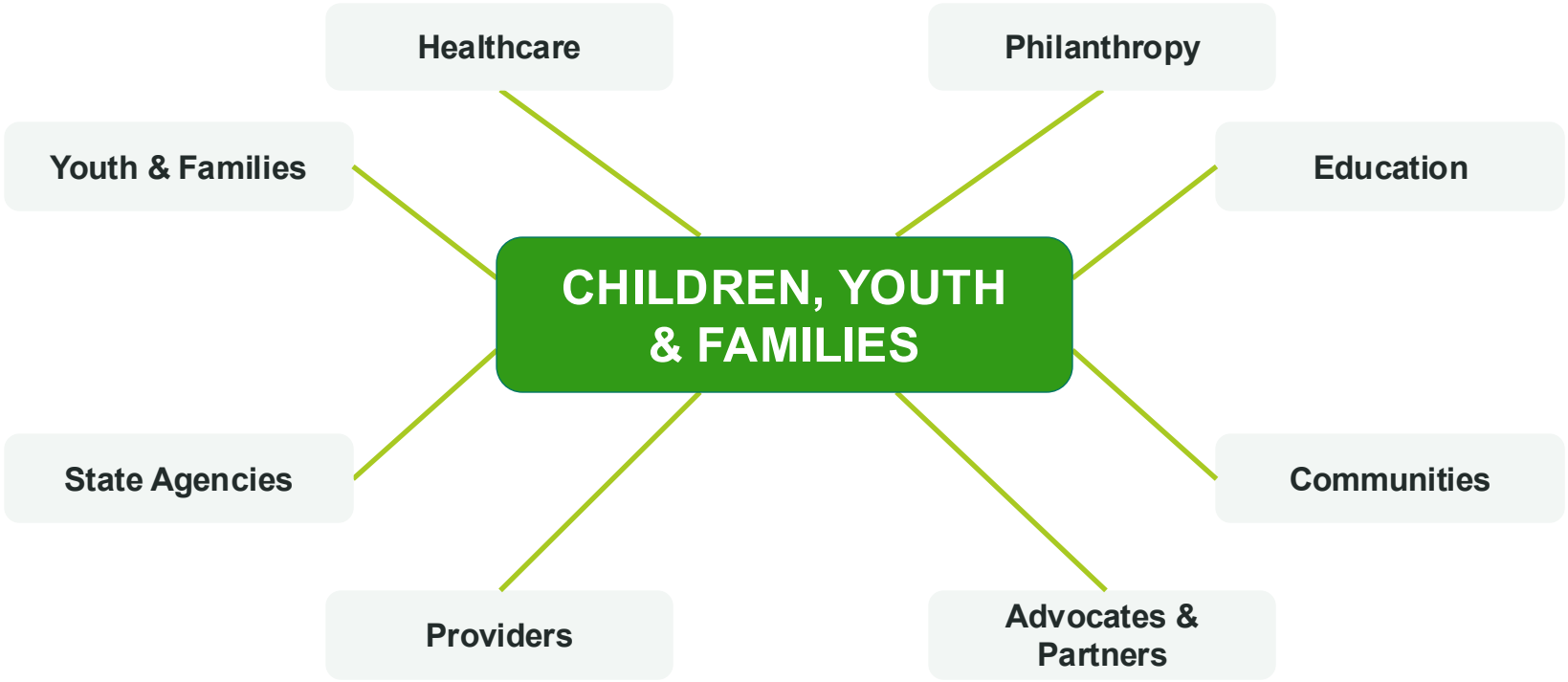
- **Realities we are working to connect:**
  - Multiple agencies working toward shared goals
  - Diverse funding streams and investments
  - Different eligibility and service delivery systems
  - Families navigating complex pathways to care
  - Communities working to coordinate local supports

- **The next phase of system transformation isn't about creating more initiatives—it's about connecting the ones we already have.**

Mindworks exists to help connect these efforts—bringing together agencies, providers, advocates, families, youth, philanthropy, and communities to strengthen alignment, accelerate implementation, and build a more coordinated behavioral health system for Georgia.

A CONNECTED STATEWIDE NETWORK

THE GEORGIA SYSTEM OF CARE NETWORK



A statewide network for learning, connection, shared problem-solving, and action.

CONNECTING STRATEGY TO IMPLEMENTATION

HOW THE NETWORK CONNECTS TO THE WORK

MINDWORKS GEORGIA
Backbone infrastructure

Behavioral Health Coordinating Council (BHCC)
Statewide vision & strategic direction

Mindworks Executive Committee
Strategic leadership for Georgia's System of Care

Georgia System of Care Network
Partners • Communities • Youth & Families

Workgroups
Develop recommendations • Advance priorities • Support implementation

Vision flows down. Insight flows back up.

What This Looks Like Across Georgia:

Mindworks helps partners turn statewide priorities into coordinated local action through shared leadership, data, and implementation support.

Advancing Data-Informed Decision Making

- Expanded statewide understanding of needs and resources
- Advanced tools to support strategic planning and funding decisions
- Continued development of shared data infrastructure

Impact: Better decisions are possible when everyone is working from the same information.

Strengthening Statewide Partnerships

- Convened agencies, providers, advocates, families, philanthropy, and community leaders.
- Created opportunities for shared problem-solving and coordinated action.
- Strengthened alignment between statewide priorities and local implementation.

Impact: Strong partnerships accelerate change that no single organization can achieve alone.

Strengthening Local Systems

- Expanded Local Interagency Planning Teams (LIPTs).
- Strengthened cross-sector coordination within communities.
- Supported locally driven solutions aligned with statewide priorities.

Impact: Communities are better equipped to meet the needs of children and families.

Building a Stronger Workforce

- Expanded statewide training, technical assistance, and shared learning.
- Strengthened Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health consultation.
- Built workforce capacity through cross-sector collaboration.

Impact: A stronger workforce improves access, quality, and outcomes.

Local SOC: Local Interagency Planning Teams (LIPTs)

Purpose: Established through Georgia Code 49-5-225 to improve and facilitate the local coordination of services to youth with or at risk for mental or behavioral health challenges.

Mandated Agency Partners:

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(Local Ed Agency)

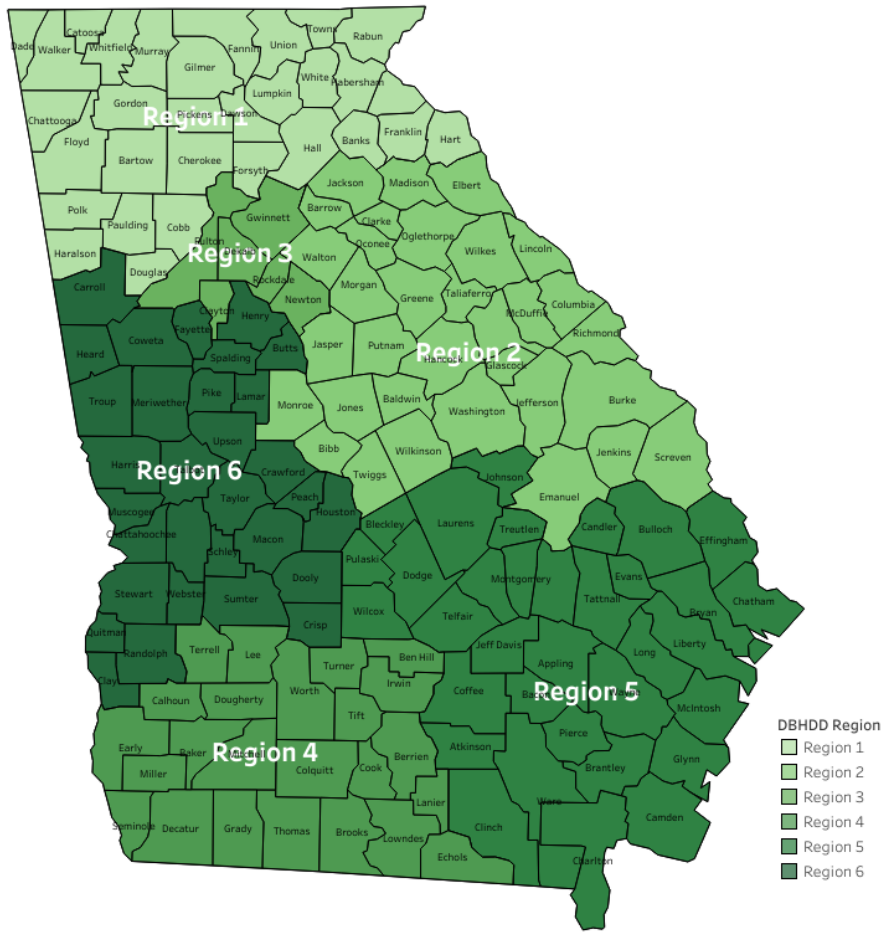
GVRA
GEORGIA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCY

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION of Community Service Boards, Inc.

(Local MH Agency)

Georgia Department of Public Health

Georgia LIPT county map



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NOTE:
For all vacant LIPT counties, please contact the designated regional specialist to connect to your county's LIPT.

County link mappings verified: September 30, 2026

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View county details and Unite Us request forms on your own device.

LIPT-MATCH Connection

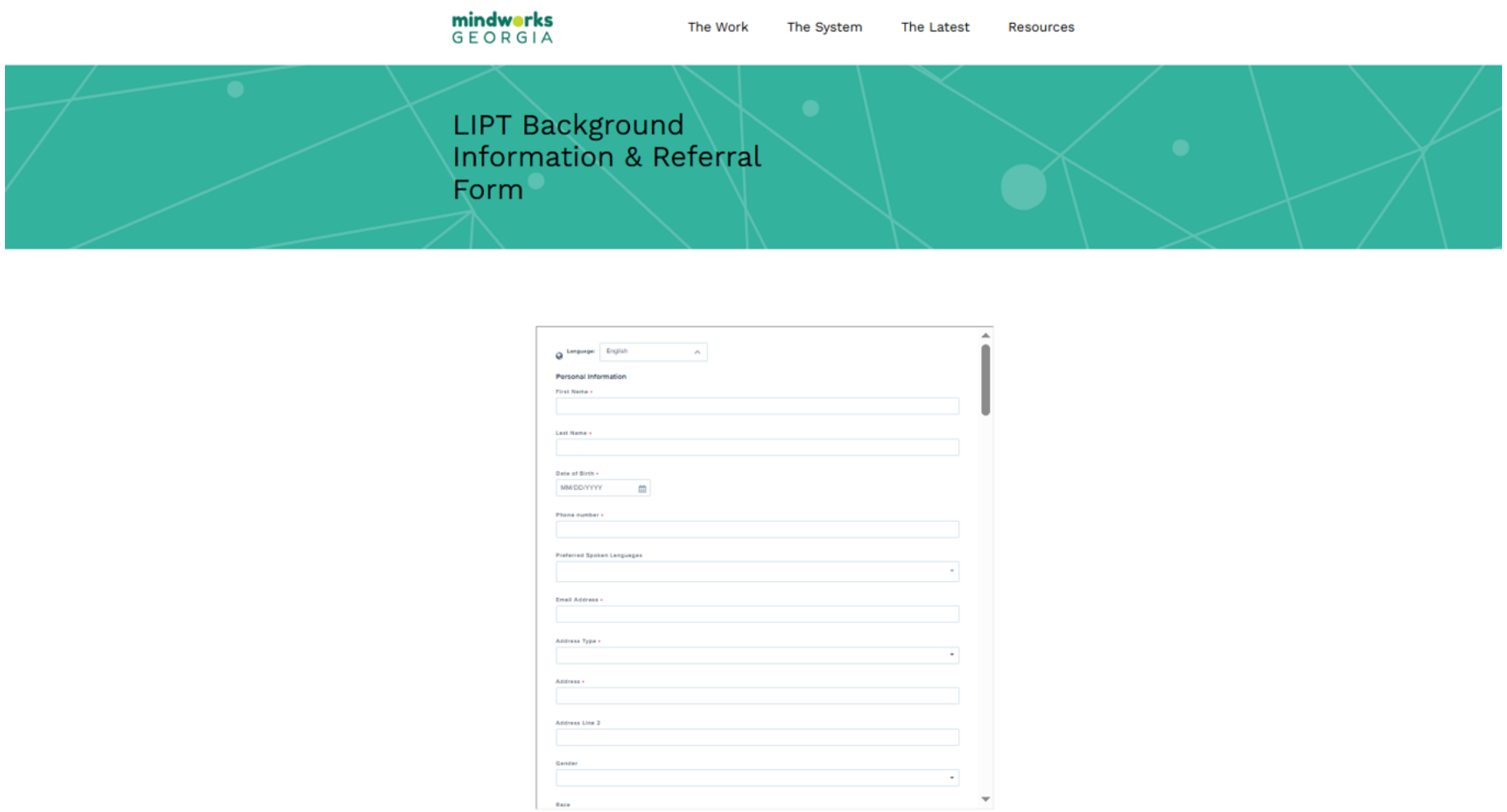
- **LIPTs | Local Coordination:** Bring agencies and community partners together to coordinate services, identify barriers, and support children, youth, and families at the community level.

- **MATCH | Complex Needs and Specialized Care:** Provides multi-agency case review, treatment planning, care coordination, and access to specialized services when traditional pathways cannot meet a child's needs.

- **Working Together | Strengthening the System:** LIPTs and MATCH help connect families to appropriate supports while identifying recurring service gaps that can inform statewide System of Care improvements.

Connecting local coordination with specialized care and system improvement.

LIPT Assistance Request Form



GEORGIA SYSTEM OF CARE

Georgia SOC App — Growing Our Reach

Connecting organizations, resources, and communities across Georgia.

APP IMPACT

164+
APP DOWNLOADS

36
LANGUAGES AVAILABLE

> The Georgia SOC app continues to expand access to behavioral health resources and System of Care information across Georgia.

NEW

Promote Through the Georgia SOC App

Participating organizations can now use dedicated promotional space within the Georgia SOC app to highlight important news, conferences, events, trainings, resources, and announcements.



Giving partner organizations another way to reach the Georgia System of Care community.

ORGANIZATIONS CAN FEATURE

- Conferences
- Upcoming Events
- Trainings
- New Resources
- Program Updates
- Organization News
- Important Announcements

Let's Build the Future Together



Where Mindworks is Focused

- Strengthening statewide partnerships and shared leadership
- Expanding shared data and decision-support tools
- Supporting implementation across communities
- Advancing accountability and continuous learning
- Identifying opportunities for innovation and systems change

When we all work together we all win.

How Mindworks Can Support Your Work

Research & Evaluation
- Program evaluation
- ROI analysis
- Data analytics
- Outcomes measurement

Implementation Support
- Technical assistance
- Community engagement
- Workforce development
- Implementation science

Policy & Systems Strategy
- Policy analysis
- Environmental scans
- Strategic planning
- Systems transformation

Convening & Facilitation
- Cross-sector partnerships
- Strategic facilitation
- Learning collaboratives
- Stakeholder engagement

Powered by the Georgia Health Policy Center's Center of Excellence, Mindworks combines statewide partnerships with nationally recognized expertise in research, evaluation, policy, implementation, and systems transformation.

Resilient Georgia's regional coalitions are essential partners in strengthening Georgia's System of Care. Together, we can:



- **Connect:** Identify and engage your local LIPT and other System of Care partners.
- **Collaborate:** Align coalition activities with local behavioral health priorities and identify opportunities to coordinate resources.
- **Contribute:** Bring community needs, emerging challenges, and promising practices into The Georgia System of Care network.