

# Client Information

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Established in 1969, Ouachita Behavioral Health and Wellness, is a community mental health center serving the residents of Clark, Garland, Hot Spring, Montgomery, and Pike counties. OBHAW is a private, not-for-profit organization which charges fees for services. OBHAW also bills third-party sources such as insurance, Medicare, and Medicaid.

Administered by the Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS), Medicaid is a program that helps pay for medically necessary services for needy and low-income persons. OBHAW is certified as a Medicaid provider of Rehabilitative Services for persons with Mental Illness (RSPMI). Core RSPMI services include Individual and Family Therapy, Psychiatric Evaluation, Medication Management, Intervention Services, and Crisis Services.

Even if you have Medicaid, you may not have coverage for RSPMI services. Prior to receiving treatment services, an evaluation must be performed by a qualified mental health professional for admission into an RSPMI Program. The evaluation is a written assessment that evaluates your mental condition including assessment for serious mental illness (adults) or serious emotional disturbance (children) and, based on your diagnosis, determines whether treatment in the RSPMI Program is appropriate. If appropriate, a plan for your care appropriate to your needs, including services to be provided, will be prescribed by an OBHAW physician. For more information and RSPMI rules, visit [www.medicaid.state.ar.us](http://www.medicaid.state.ar.us) .

OBHAW charges a fee for serving as a representative payee for Social Security/SSI beneficiaries who are enrolled in our money management services.