



School Care Coordinator Services

School-Based Care Connection Program

Connecting youth and families to counseling services and locally-based resources

School Based Care Coordinators work alongside school personnel to help students and families to access a variety of services and resources. The SBCC program is here to help students remain in the school setting and academically focused, and to help with accessing supports. Each Care Coordinator provides case management, ensuring students and families receive the help they need.

Heywood Healthcare has partnered with Gardner Public Schools to provide on-site access to behavioral health services and off-site services as appropriate. We also provide family outreach and assistance utilizing community-based resources. If you have a need, which is not reflected in the resources provided, please contact your child's guidance counselor.

In-school counseling services

On-site clinicians are available to students based on referrals made by the guidance departments. Clinical supports are also available off-site if desired.

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Community Resources

Housing

- [Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network](#)
- [Our Father's House](#)
- [Transitional Living / LUK](#)
- [Abbey's House](#)
- [DHCD - shelters](#)



Community Resources Cont.

HOPE, INC.

- Summer camp—financial assistance upon eligibility
- After school programming for 6th-8th grades— financial assistance for application fees

YMCA

- Financial Aid for Memberships
- Fitness Classes
- Swim Lessons
- Sports Teams
- Summer Camps

Health / Dental Insurance

- Services at Community Health Center can walk you through the MassHealth application process; bilingual coordinator is available

Transportation

- MART Transit Services, rides are available for \$1.50 each way
- Transportation to medical appointments is available for MassHealth members through patient transportation (PT-1) referral

Fuel/Food/Utility/Clothing Assistance

- CAC / Catholic Charities
- SNAP— food stamps
- Fuel assistance program
- National Grid
- WIC
- Healthy Families / GVNA
- Salvation Army
- Comcast internet discounted service
- Safelink—federally funded phone