



## **A History of Innovation**

Throughout its history, The Consortium has pioneered providing behavioral health services with 'compassion first' priorities, coupled with excellence in mental health treatments and collaborative understanding.

For over five decades, they have helped more than 250-thousand people throughout the Tri-State area overcome the challenges of mental illness and substance abuse. From their home base in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, they have created a compelling record of helping people reach their full potential while strengthening Philadelphia communities, one person at a time, one family at a time.

### **Leading the Way**

- Founded in 1967, The Consortium was the first mental health agency in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with a board of directors elected by the community itself, guaranteeing the first-of-its-kind community input.
- They were the first methadone clinic in the state of Pennsylvania and their six behavioral health centers located in Philadelphia, empower people with state-of-the-art behavioral health counseling.

Way before the headlines, they've been on the front-lines of the current opioid crisis. Additionally, The Consortium never turns anyone away, regardless of their ability to pay.

They are also noted for their school programs, helping young people deal with various and sometimes difficult societal issues while teaching coping mechanisms that help them maintain a substance-free life. In 2016, The Consortium initiated a dynamic education and health partnership with the Paul Robeson High School for Human Services in Philadelphia, including the creation of internships to introduce students to the behavioral health field to enhance learning and social responsibility. The following year, The Consortium was approved to provide on-sight behavioral health services to West Philadelphia High School and the Paul Robeson High School for Human Services.