

Two years ago, Crisis Talk interviewed Tequila Terry with the *Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission* on the state's investment in behavioral health and crisis services as part of a broader initiative and agreement with CMS called the **Total Cost of Care Model**.

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Findings at a Glance

Maryland Total Cost of Care (MD TCOC) Model Evaluation of the First Three Model Years (2019-2021)

## Model components



The first three years (2019-2021) of the TCOC model showed success, with decreases in hospital spending that were greater than increases in nonhospital spending. But these savings were lessened by substantial increases in the latter in 2021.

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