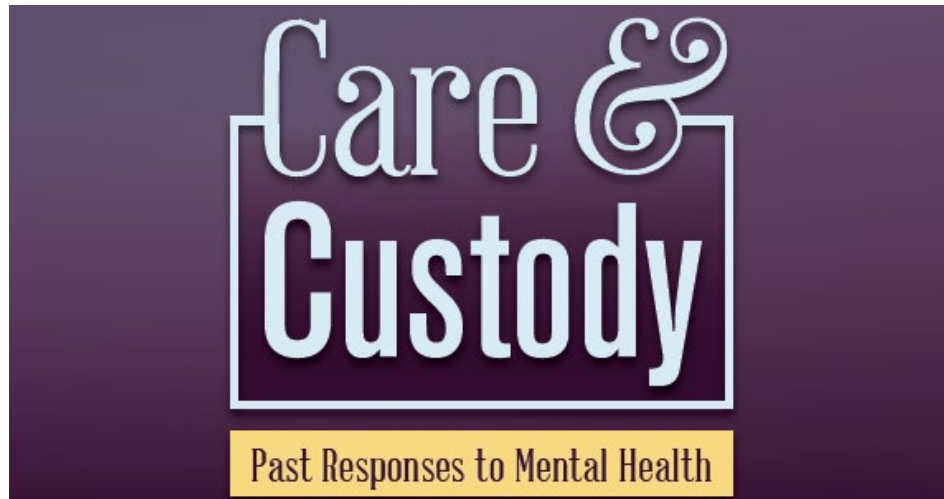


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The National Library of Medicine produced *Care and Custody: Past Responses to Mental Health*, guest curated by public historian and educator Anne E. Parsons, PhD (University of North Carolina at Greensboro).

The traveling banner exhibition and companion website explore the treatment of people with mental health conditions throughout history, especially in the United States, bringing to light the tension that has existed between *care* and *custody*. Physicians, advocates, families, and government agencies have all contributed to the shaping of mental health policies. *Care and Custody* examines this history to understand how the country has moved away from custodial forms of treatment, toward more inclusive approaches, and worked to protect the rights of people with mental health conditions.

Care and Custody includes an [education component](#) featuring a new university module and a [digital gallery](#) that further explores selected works from the historical collections of the NLM, which are also available in their entirety in [NLM Digital Collections](#).

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Dorothea Dix, a teacher and author, became a strong advocate for asylums. Dix helped found over 30 asylums around the country to prevent people deemed insane from being jailed or placed in poorhouses.

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Statistics from *On Life Support: Public Health in the Age of Mass Incarceration*, Vera Institute of Justice, 2014

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President John F. Kennedy signing legislation that allocated funds for new community mental health centers, photograph by Abbie Rowe, 1963

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