



Bi-Weekly Bulletin for April 18, 2019

MEMBER NEWS

Isabel's House and Burrell Behavioral Health Team up to Fight Child Abuse

Holly Beadle of Isabel's House and Matt Lemmon from Burrell Behavioral Health about how each agency is working to raise awareness on child abuse and neglect prevention in the Ozarks.

<https://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/ozarks-tonight-isabel-s-house-and-burrell-behavioral-health-team-up-to-fight-child-abuse/1931713746>

Alabama behavioral health group sees continued growth

AltaPointe CEO Tuerk Schlesinger outlined the accomplishments of the past year at the organization's annual meeting in Mobile recently.

<https://www.newsobserver.com/news/business/article229247054.html>

A Non-Traditional Collaboration Of Two Provider Organizations To Improve Continuity Of Behavioral Health Care: Harbor & Mercy Health Case Study

Uncover The Emerging Role For Community Mental Health Centers As Value-Based Care Leaders

<https://www.openminds.com/market-intelligence/resources/a-non-traditional-collaboration/>

Burrell Behavioral Health partners with Drury to expand student services

Campus counseling centers have seen a 30% increase in visitors which is why Drury and Burrell Behavioral Health have announced a new partnership that will bring Burrell staff members to the school's Panther Clinic to help with counseling, education, and outreach.

<https://www.kspr.com/content/news/Burrell-Behavioral-Health-partners-with-Drury-to-expand-student-services-508397861.html>

New partnership between Burrell Behavioral Health and Fordland Clinic

A new partnership between two health providers will increase care options for people across the Ozarks.

<https://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/new-partnership-between-burrell-behavioral-health-and-fordland-clinic/1912811644>

LifeStream opens mental-health facility for adults in Crystal River

Services at LifeStream's 4,800 square-foot facility includes psychiatric care and evaluations, medication management, case management, out-patient substance abuse care, and individual and group mental health counseling, Rick Hankey, LifeStream's executive vice president, told the Chronicle.

https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/lifestream-opens-mental-health-facility-for-adults-in-crystal-river/article_3f9915fe-5a23-11e9-a6f6-5b7297f72f88.html

How one agency is decriminalizing mental illness, saving money and bettering lives

Law enforcement partnership with **Spectrum Healthcare**

<https://www.policeone.com/chiefs-sheriffs/articles/483458006-How-one-agency-is-decriminalizing-mental-illness-saving-money-and-bettering-lives/>

Care Plus NJ Client and Behavioral Health Advocate Releases Book of Poems on Personal Journey with Mental Illness

Gina Renee Drakeford, an accomplished poet and longtime recipient of services at Care Plus NJ, Inc. ("CarePlus"), is releasing a compilation of her poetry in a book entitled "Down But Never Out."

<https://www.tapinto.net/towns/fair-lawn-slash-glen-rock/articles/care-plus-nj-client-and-behavioral-health-advocate-releases-book-of-poems-on-personal-journey-with-mental-illness>

Sound Set to Open New Facility in Kent

In spring of this year, Sound will open its 15th location, in the Kent business district, to ensure that clients who live in the area can more easily access the care they need.

<https://www.sound.health/blog/2019/03/28/sound-set-to-open-new-facility-in-kent/>

INDUSTRY NEWS

Community Health Centers Report Being More Financially Stable, Better Able to Provide Care in Expansion States

According to the brief, health centers in states that have expanded Medicaid are significantly more likely than health centers in nonexpansion states to report improvements in financial stability (69% vs 41%) since the Affordable Care Act was implemented and are more likely to participate in value-based payment models, such as the patient-centered medical home model.

<https://www.ajmc.com/focus-of-the-week/community-health-centers-report-being-more-financially-stable-better-able-to-provide-care-in-expansion-states>

CDC: More people are overdosing on this legal drug

The CDC also noted that in about 60 of those Kratom-related deaths, fentanyl was a co-cause.

<https://www.wsbtv.com/news/local/cdc-more-people-are-overdosing-on-this-legal-drug/939645800>

More opioid addicts turning to Vivitrol to come clean, rebuild their lives

One reason some have resisted methadone and buprenorphine — often sold under the brand name Suboxone — is that, unlike Vivitrol, they are opioid-based.

<https://www.newsday.com/news/health/vivitrol-anti-opioid-medication-1.29719752>

BUSINESS NEWS

When Introducing Organizational Change, Tell Stories From, Not About, The Future

Stories from the future invite us to experience a different way of thinking and doing. They give us a taste of what it will be like at the other end of the change journey.

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/forbescoachescouncil/2019/04/05/when-introducing-organizational-change-tell-stories-from-not-about-the-future/#3e6ad4995666>

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