

## Bi-Weekly Bulletin for July 25, 2019

### MEMBER NEWS

#### **SAMHSA-sponsored Webinar on Clinician and Officer Remote Evaluation Program**

The Harris County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) and **The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD** are midway through a three phase implementation of their CORE program pilot using a tablet and a HIPAA compliant technology platform to connect a law enforcement first responder in the community with a mental health clinician at the time of the 911 dispatch. A webinar on **Wednesday, August 7, at 2-3:30 pm EDT** will highlight the experience and benefits of this collaborative effort to address the growing number of mental health calls in the nation's fourth largest county. Register here:

[https://nasmhpd.adobeconnect.com/smiinnovations\\_reg/event/event\\_info.html](https://nasmhpd.adobeconnect.com/smiinnovations_reg/event/event_info.html)

#### **Keeping People Out of Crisis: Unit Combines Law Enforcement & Mental Health Worker**

Spokane County Sheriff's Deputy Dan Moman and **Frontier Behavioral Health** mental health clinician Holly Keller were riding around on their shift this summer when they got an urgent call.

<https://www.cdapress.com/article/20190718/AP/307189906>

#### **Tucson police pushing treatment rather than jail**

U-MATTER is part of a collaboration between the county, TPD, **CODAC Health Recovery and Wellness** and other local agencies and social service organizations. While CODAC expected an increased volume in clients or members seeking medication-assisted treatment, the actual results have been larger than the agency projected.

[https://tucson.com/news/local/tucson-police-pushing-treatment-rather-than-jail-for-hundreds-of/article\\_0d3dd2fa-83af-5457-acce-8dfb0168b100.html](https://tucson.com/news/local/tucson-police-pushing-treatment-rather-than-jail-for-hundreds-of/article_0d3dd2fa-83af-5457-acce-8dfb0168b100.html)

#### **Melanie Taylor becomes CEO of Burke after Susan Rushing's retirement**

Taylor has a bachelor's degree in rehabilitation. She started out working in direct care with individuals with intellectual disability and mental illness. After several years, she became interested in the human relations aspect of Burke and earned a master's degree in business. She is currently working on a second master's degree from Texas A&M in public management.

[http://lufkindailynews.com/news/community/article\\_b7d738e2-7b2c-57c8-8c80-190f4a293821.html](http://lufkindailynews.com/news/community/article_b7d738e2-7b2c-57c8-8c80-190f4a293821.html)

#### **David Lawrence Center receives grant from SWFL Children's Charities, Inc. to expand Children's Mental Health Outreach and Crisis Care**

The grant will fund adolescent day treatment and inpatient children's crisis stabilization services as well as two new positions designed to improve linkage and outreach services.

<https://immokaleebulletin.com/news/david-lawrence-center-receives-grant-from-swfl-childrens-charities-inc-to-expand-childrens-mental-health-outreach-and-crisis-care/>

### **Aurora Mental Health Center pushing for sales tax increase to fund more services**

A coalition, including the Aurora Mental Health Center, Rocky Mountain Behavioral Health and a group of other stakeholders, is leading the ballot question effort, which would ask voters to raise the city's sales tax a quarter of a percent. That would generate approximately \$16.2 million each year, according to AMHC's legislative and community director, Debbie Stafford.

<https://www.sentinelcolorado.com/news/metro/aurora-mental-health-center-pushing-for-sales-tax-increase-to-fund-more-services/>

### **Knox County Drug Court graduate VandenBloomer relapses**

In letters from his county jail cells, VandenBloomer said treatment for any drug user is key. Even if it takes multiple attempts - don't give up. He credits Vicki Rose, director of substance abuse services for **Bridgeway** and part of the drug court team for years, for believing in him.

[https://www.galesburg.com/news/20190707/knox-county-drug-court-graduate-vandenbloomer-relapses?fbclid=IwAR07WFlnj5VVxGJiLUD9B0pB2TuHnjFyPho4tciUt\\_OHINBqaTFUMYrwkvA](https://www.galesburg.com/news/20190707/knox-county-drug-court-graduate-vandenbloomer-relapses?fbclid=IwAR07WFlnj5VVxGJiLUD9B0pB2TuHnjFyPho4tciUt_OHINBqaTFUMYrwkvA)

### **Substance Use Director: Alcoholism growing in the Valley**

**Tropical Texas Behavioral Center** is largest behavioral center in South Texas, currently treating more than 12,000 people.

<https://valleycentral.com/news/local/opiods-isnt-the-issue-in-the-valley-alcohol-is>

### **CrossWinds partners with USD 253 to address mental health in schools**

Students receiving help from mental health experts in school is not something to be alarmed about

[http://www.emporiagazette.com/free/article\\_f1592c2e-a380-11e9-b908-37a8aac10a94.html](http://www.emporiagazette.com/free/article_f1592c2e-a380-11e9-b908-37a8aac10a94.html)

## **INDUSTRY NEWS**

### **Rutgers Researcher Collaborates with WHO to More Accurately Describe Mental Health Disorders**

A Rutgers University researcher contributed to the first study to seek input from people with common mental health issues on how their disorders are described in diagnostic guidelines.

[https://www.monroenow.com/lifestyle/health/rutgers-researcher-collaborates-with-who-to-more-accurately-describe-mental/article\\_e681a4ce-a804-11e9-b17a-4f75aaa57dc6.html](https://www.monroenow.com/lifestyle/health/rutgers-researcher-collaborates-with-who-to-more-accurately-describe-mental/article_e681a4ce-a804-11e9-b17a-4f75aaa57dc6.html)

### **MINES, TalkSpace team up to offer employees therapy via online messaging service**

MINES will be one of the first EAP providers to use messaging to address stress, anxiety, substance abuse, work/life balance, grief, relationship problems, wellness and other behavioral health topics, officials there said.

<https://www.fiercehealthcare.com/tech/employees-get-therapy-via-online-messaging-service>

### **WellCare and AbleTo Partner to Bring Virtual Behavioral Healthcare to Medicare Advantage Members in New York**

Working with the WellCare team, AbleTo analyzes health data and identifies members who would benefit from treatment, and then delivers that care virtually or over the telephone through a nationwide network of skilled professionals.

<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/wellcare-and-ableto-partner-to-bring-virtual-behavioral-healthcare-to-medicare-advantage-members-in-new-york-300883129.html>

### **The Vaccine That Could Prevent Stress, Anxiety, and Depression**

As mental health disorders run rampant, scientists are trying to make an immunization from soil bacteria that could help.

[https://www.vice.com/en\\_us/article/j5wzn7/the-vaccine-that-could-prevent-stress-anxiety-and-depression](https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/j5wzn7/the-vaccine-that-could-prevent-stress-anxiety-and-depression)

### **How Technology Infrastructure Will Help Social Care Providers Transition to Value-Based Payment**

Social care providers, sometimes referred to as community-based organizations, are on the cusp of a disruptive change in the way they can operate financially.

<https://www.managedhealthcareexecutive.com/news/how-technology-infrastructure-will-help-social-care-providers-transition-value-based-payment>

### **The Latest Study on Trigger Warnings Finally Convinced Me They're Not Worth It**

All the evidence suggests they don't help and might actually hurt, which means we need to devote more attention to better forms of mental health care.

<https://slate.com/technology/2019/07/trigger-warnings-research-shows-they-dont-work-might-hurt.html>

## **BUSINESS NEWS & LEADERSHIP ARTICLES**

### **I thought I knew what it meant to lead with vulnerability. Then I became CEO**

Leading with vulnerability is much more complicated than it seems—and it takes more than a few TED talks to get it right.

[https://www.fastcompany.com/90379129/the-ceo-of-buildium-on-leading-with-vulnerability?partner=rss&utm\\_source=twitter.com&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=rss+fastcompany&utm\\_content=rss](https://www.fastcompany.com/90379129/the-ceo-of-buildium-on-leading-with-vulnerability?partner=rss&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=rss+fastcompany&utm_content=rss)

### **Leaders focused on Learning are More Successful**

Better learners are better leaders, and practicing learning-focused leadership can make better teams.

<https://www.chieflearningofficer.com/2019/07/09/the-power-of-learning-focused-leadership/>

### **Ten Human Skills for the Future of Work**

These core strengths are key not only for building and leading effective teams, but for thriving in the constantly evolving workplace.

<https://99u.adobe.com/articles/63914/ten-human-skills-for-the-future-of-work>

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