



Bi-Weekly Bulletin for October 17, 2019

MEMBER NEWS

AMHC to take part in national collaborative

Aroostook Mental Health Center has been selected to serve on a national Advancing Health Equity Learning Collaborative

<http://thecounty.me/2019/10/14/news/business-news/amhc-to-take-part-in-national-collaborative/>

ADANTA MOVES TO NEW LOCATION, HOLDS RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

“This is not about a building, but it is about the clients that we serve. And being able to give back to them and let them know we appreciate them. We are privileged to be their service provider, and we want them to have a warm and welcome place to come to.”

https://www.adanta.org/resources/news/221-wayne-county-new-clinic-ribbon-cutting?fbclid=IwAR38ckXjBMfWKEt6gcWoMfmLEE2L1_N5sc7yYdsnzfGdoaTyP2mTH-TAwCl

Chestnut Health Systems partnering with organizations to reduce underage substance abuse

Chestnut will be working with 18 local organizations to, “spread the word among parents and students about the dangers of underage substance abuse.”

<https://hoiabc.com/news/top-stories/2019/10/02/chestnut-health-systems-partnering-with-organizations-to-reduce-underage-substance-abuse/>

Both Chestnut and the McLean County Center for Human Services work with local school districts to place mental health counselors in schools

Services to students include drug treatment, individual and group counseling, family support, and a connection to local resources.

https://www.pantagraph.com/leekha-in-making-an-impact-collaboration-is-key/article_dc76c117-f7bd-5fbe-98ce-2ca28a9c7cc0.html

Sound Asset Acquisition of CPC to Create Larger, More Dynamic Organization

Sound announced the completion of its asset acquisition of Community Psychiatric Clinic. The acquisition significantly expands Sound’s impact, both in terms of services provided and the number of clients served.

<https://www.sound.health/blog/2019/09/02/sound-asset-acquisition-of-cpc-to-create-larger-more-dynamic-organization/>

Compass Health Building Communities of Hope Gala Raises More Than \$288,000 to Benefit Children's Camp Programs

Record number of community members came together to fund specialized camp programs for children facing behavioral health challenges and family chemical dependency issues

<https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20191002005733/en/Compass-Health-Building-Communities-Hope-Gala-Raises#.XZY5xlqy5Zs.email>

LifeSkills offers 24/7 crisis services

LifeSkills' services include an eight-bed residential crisis stabilization unit for adults; a nine-bed crisis stabilization unit for children; 24-hour mobile crisis services; walk-in services; a crisis support phone line; a call center for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline; and court-ordered involuntary hospitalization evaluations.

https://www.bgdailynews.com/community/lifeskills-offers-crisis-services/article_0781e7a2-f51b-5301-a1bb-2de6ee9bd03b.html

Burrell Behavioral Health Launches New Youth ADHD Clinic

Comprehensive clinic offers diagnosis, therapy and medical care

<https://www.ozarksfirst.com/keeping-up-with-the-community/burrell-behavioral-health-10-14-19/>

INDUSTRY NEWS

Computer game to assist clinicians in diagnosing mental health disorders

Dr. Amir Dezfouli, lead author of the research, a neuroscientist and machine learning expert said the research represented a possible step-change in the emerging field of computational psychiatry.

<https://medicalxpress.com/news/2019-10-game-clinicians-mental-health-disorders.html>

Walmart Introducing Tech-Based Associate Health Benefits

For the Walmart's 2020 medical plan, the mega-retailer is testing some new concepts in select markets, with the aim of transforming health care for associates and their families.

<https://progressivegrocer.com/walmart-introducing-tech-based-associate-health-benefits>

The saddest part about 'Joker'

'Joker' focus on violence and tension overshadowed the discussion on mental health.

<https://www.deseret.com/entertainment/2019/10/3/20893866/joker-review-joaquin-phoenix-mental-health-laughter-pseudo-bulbar-affect>

FDA Approves First Transdermal Patch for Schizophrenia

The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved a transdermal patch formulation of asenapine (Secuado) as the first patch for the treatment of adults with schizophrenia.

<https://www.psychcongress.com/article/fda-approves-first-transdermal-patch-schizophrenia>

Data Raise Question: Why Aren't Long-Acting Injectable Therapies Tried Earlier in Schizophrenia?

LAIs are an important treatment option that all too often are not offered to adults living with schizophrenia.

<https://www.ajmc.com/focus-of-the-week/data-raise-question-why-arent-longacting-injectable-therapies-tried-earlier-in-schizophrenia>

Reported Suicide Attempts Among Black Teens Have Spiked Since 1991, Study Shows

The study's authors conducted an analysis of the data that took into account the various increases and decreases each year over the 26-year period and found that black teenagers increasingly reported having attempted suicide while such reports declined or remained unchanged for white, Hispanic, Asian/Pacific Islander and American Indian/Alaska Native teenagers.

<https://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2019/10/14/reported-suicide-attempts-among-black-teens-have.html>

University of Minnesota tests new apps to help teen brains fight psychosis

University of Minnesota researchers will use a smartphone app called BrainHQ to see if it can improve cognition, and the PRIME social networking app to motivate teens and young adults during treatment.

<http://www.startribune.com/training-the-brain-to-fight-psychosis/563013182/>

BUSINESS NEWS & LEADERSHIP ARTICLES

Use skip-level meetings to get out of your “good news cocoon”

Find out: How are folks on the team really feeling about the work, the culture, and the team around them. What could be better? What needs to be resolved? It's valuable, sacred time what you truly won't get any where else.

<https://knowyourteam.com/blog/2019/10/03/skip-level-meetings-what-they-are-and-exactly-how-to-run-them/>

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