



Bi-Weekly Bulletin for October 1, 2020

MEMBER NEWS

EVENT TODAY!: Operating Behavioral Health Programs in a Pandemic: Success Stories From Arizona, New Jersey & Ohio

Free Executive Web Briefing Courtesy Of Genoa Healthcare and featuring mhca members: Susan Devlin, Executive Director of **Comprehensive Behavioral Health Care** and Steven Sheets, President & CEO of **Southwest Behavioral and Health Services**.

TODAY: October 1, 2020 | 1:00 p.m. Eastern

<https://www.openminds.com/event/post-pandemic-barriers-to-reopening/>

Register Today For “Community Conversations: The Impact of Mental Health”

Mental Health Partners and National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI) have partnered to present a 4-part virtual series featuring local leaders and experts discussing how mental illness impacts social systems and programs that address these challenges. All conversations, which will take place throughout the month of October, will be moderated by Doyle Forrestal, CEO of Colorado Behavioral Health Care Council, are free and will take place via Zoom.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-conversations-on-the-impacts-of-mental-health-tickets-121071111955>

West Yavapai Guidance Clinic Peer Support Program Manager recognized by ASU Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy

Katy Welty received a Peer Leadership Award. The award recognizes an individual with lived experience whose advocacy and service contribute to breaking stigma and improving the lives of those navigating the behavioral health service continuum.

<https://cabhp.asu.edu/kwelty>

Student mental health at stake, COVID-19 impacts well-being

Across the Illinois State University campus, rates for anxiety, depression and resulting thoughts of suicide are increasing. **Chestnut Health Systems**, a non-profit behavioral assistance organization, addressed this and provided that the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention noted a drastic increase the past 10 years. In addition, Chestnut Health Systems has noted the association of mental health with the COVID-19 pandemic.

http://www.videtteonline.com/features/student-mental-health-at-stake-covid-19-impacts-well-being/article_e2afaa2e-fc24-11ea-ace9-1ff4945cf566.html

September is National Suicide Month

“We focus on suicide prevention every day of the year with our crisis, therapy, medication management, alcohol and drug, and co-occurring disorder services. But in September, we’ll definitely be working throughout our entire system to raise awareness even more and let people know we are here for them, especially during these trying times,” said Phyllis Persinger, President & COO of **Volunteer Behavioral Health Care System**.

https://www.hendersonvillestandard.com/opinion/columnists/september-is-national-suicide-month/article_a52beaa2-fd1c-11ea-af9d-4fc2f4bc865e.html

Cunningham joins Chestnut Family Health Center

Dr. Daniel Cunningham joins the team at Chestnut Family Health Center. A Bloomington-Normal native, Dr. Cunningham went to Loyola University Chicago for his undergraduate degree and completed medical school training at ATSU Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

https://www.pantagraph.com/business/local/achievements/business-achievements-cunningham-joins-chestnut-family-health-center/article_0fee0b8b-410b-5b61-9532-375926f7ca34.html

INDUSTRY NEWS

CMMI director finds mixed results for bundled payments, gives high marks to global budgets

Value-based care payment models that focused on a global budget were home runs in a recent Trump administration review, but bundled payment results were more mixed.

<https://www.fiercehealthcare.com/payer/cmmi-director-finds-mixed-results-for-bundled-payment-models-high-marks-for-total-cost-care>

Why Is the APA Proposing Sweeping Changes to Training Requirements?

The proposed changes can be seen here, and comments are being accepted until October 9, 2020.

<https://www.madinamerica.com/2020/09/apa-changes-training-requirements/>

U of M research team hopes to develop an implantable device to treat mental illness — thanks to a \$6.6 million grant

A new implantable device, to be designed and developed by scientists at the University of Minnesota Medical School, may be able to help treat common but serious mental illnesses like depression and PTSD.

<https://www.minnpost.com/mental-health-addiction/2020/09/u-of-m-research-team-hopes-to-develop-an-implantable-device-to-treat-mental-illness-thanks-to-a-6-6-million-grant/>

Too many patients are still suffering and dying alone

Hospitals have had six months to adapt to this pandemic and it isn't going anywhere anytime soon. Patients, families, deserve better.

<https://www.startribune.com/too-many-patients-are-still-suffering-and-dying-alone/572435032/>

BUSINESS NEWS & LEADERSHIP ARTICLES

Is CEO a Two-Person Job?

For most mere mortals, it's simply too hard to go it alone. The modern business landscape is too fast-moving and the demands on a CEO have become too innumerable for a single person to set an organization's strategic direction and oversee a multitude of internal decisions, all while acting as its public face to stakeholders.

<https://hbr.org/2020/09/is-ceo-a-two-person-job>

When Everybody's Working At Home And The Magic Is Gone

To generate the kind of innovation that drives real growth at a company, people need a certain amount of face-to-face contact with their colleagues, Bloom argued. That's because the best ideas often bubble up during relaxed moments at work, such as chatting with colleagues after a meeting or simply sharing lunch. "That kind of thing is actually missing in video calls, and it seems that that's actually important for creativity," Bloom said.

https://www.npr.org/2020/09/24/916211900/as-more-americans-work-from-home-some-ceos-reopen-offices-to-find-that-missing-s?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=news_tab&utm_content=algorithm

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