



Bi-Weekly Bulletin – September 9 & 23

MEMBER NEWS

Coleman Professional Services Is Now Coleman Health Services

"The name 'Coleman Professional Services' no longer represents the continuous changes in our behavioral health field," Nelson Burns, president and CEO, said. "We now can expand our services to meet the holistic nature of healthcare; we provide more integrated health services than ever before."

<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/coleman-professional-services-is-now-coleman-health-services-301350314.html>

Beth Keeney named new CEO of LifeSpring Health Systems

LifeSpring Health Systems has announced the selection of their new President/CEO, Beth Keeney, DrPH, who will take office following the retirement of current President and CEO Terry Stawar at the end of the year, according to a news release.

<https://news.yahoo.com/beth-keeney-named-ceo-lifespring-021600212.html>

Compass Health Community Transitions Program Embeds Mental Health Professional with Lynnwood Police Department

"With this initiative, our goal is to meet people where they're at and connect them with the appropriate resources so they can get help – whether that's medical care or mental health or substance use treatment, transportation or food assistance – we really want to foster a continuity of care," said Charissa Westergard, director of healthcare integration at Compass Health.

<https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20210805005940/en/Compass-Health-Community-Transitions-Program-Embeds-Mental-Health-Professional-with-Lynnwood-Police-Department-in-New-Partnership-Serving-Lynnwood-and-Mountlake-Terrace>

GiveWell Community Foundation Awards Peace River Center \$5,000 Empower Polk Grant for Technology

"Technology allowed us to continue providing support, especially when a growing number of individuals needed it. However, we quickly recognized a significant shortfall of portable computer hardware," said J. William Gardam, President and Chief Executive Officer of PRC. Before the pandemic, most therapists and case

managers used desktop computers. Through community funding opportunities at the onset of COVID-19, the organization quickly purchased additional laptops. Now thanks to the Empower Polk funding, PRC can fill additional gaps and ensure staff has the technology to continue serving clients.

<https://www.peacrivercenter.org/givewell-empower21/>

Effect of Long-Acting Injectable Antipsychotics vs Usual Care on Time to First Hospitalization in Early-Phase Schizophrenia A Randomized Clinical Trial

Chestnut Health Systems was proud to contribute to this study which showed positive results in regards to LAI's (long acting injectables) warding off time between hospitalizations versus oral pills for those with early onset of schizophrenia.

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapsychiatry/fullarticle/2768027>

\$5 million SAMHSA grant expands mental health, substance use services in seven-county region

The expansion will enable **Seven Counties Services** to serve at least 1,000 additional individuals over the funding period with comprehensive, trauma-informed, evidence-based mental health and substance use services.

<https://www.kentuckytoday.com/stories/5-million-samhsa-grant-expands-mental-health-substance-use-services-in-seven-county-region,34397?>

High Plains receives grant for community mental health services

"We are very grateful for the federal support, which will enable our community mental health services to significantly expand for the first time in many years as we continue our mission to provide high-quality client care in many settings within our 20 counties," CEO Walt Hill said.

<https://hayspost.com/posts/e440834d-89c7-4a9b-b32a-4fad2ecb414d>

Burrell introduces new program to help spread suicide awareness

"Burrell introduced the ONE initiative as a way to bring suicide prevention and awareness to our communities because suicide is a very important topic to talk about, and it's very difficult to talk about. So, ONE stands for our networks engaged and the significance behind 'ONE' is that it only takes one person to save a life. And we want our community members to know that they can be that one person," Kirstyn Walker with Burrell Behavioral Health says.

<https://www.nwahomepage.com/northwest-arkansas-news/burrell-introduces-new-program-to-help-spread-suicide-awareness/>

OSF HealthCare, Chestnut Health partner in \$18 million outreach effort

Both health organizations are considered partners in the "Medicaid Innovation Collaborative," which seeks to expand Medicaid access by addressing transportation or telehealth issues in underserved or rural communities.

https://pantagraph.com/lifestyles/health-med-fit/watch-now-osf-healthcare-chestnut-health-partner-in-18m-outreach-effort/article_4e488af4-792b-509d-96e1-de26e6a458a1.html

Mental health providers gather to find solutions

Jim Wallis, director of business development for **Chestnut Health Systems**, pointed out, now that Medicaid expansion has cleared its many legal hurdles, it's hoped more people, especially those age 18-30, are covered for increased mental health services.

https://dailyjournalonline.com/lifestyles/health-med-fit/mental-health-providers-gather-to-find-solutions/article_3a01b930-9930-51b6-a879-7670641719b7.html

INDUSTRY NEWS

Stop Leaving Revenue On The Table: Simplifying Behavioral Health Insurance Billing -- A Free Webinar

On August 31, 2021 at 1:00 pm EDT, OPEN MINDS will host a webinar, Stop Leaving Revenue On The Table: Simplifying Behavioral Health Insurance Billing, courtesy of TenEleven Group.

https://www.bradfordera.com/news/state/stop-leaving-revenue-on-the-table-simplifying-behavioral-health-insurance-billing---a/article_fc14c93b-6c1d-56c7-b005-bf944feb793f.html

Baylor College of Medicine scientists develop test for schizophrenia

When evaluated using an independent dataset, the model was able to detect schizophrenia patients with 80% precision.

<https://www.medicaldevice-network.com/news/baylor-scientists-schizophrenia-test/>

California Will Require Vaccines For Workers In Health Care Facilities

Under the order, which was announced Thursday and took effect the same day, paid and unpaid workers in health care facilities have until Sept. 30 to be fully vaccinated. The order applies to those who provide services or work in hospitals, nursing facilities, psychiatric hospitals, clinics and doctor's offices. It also includes dialysis centers and residential substance use treatment centers and at least a half-dozen other facilities.

<https://www.npr.org/sections/coronavirus-live-updates/2021/08/06/1025360746/california-vaccine-mandate-health-care-workers>

Simone Biles Spotlights the 'Twisties' and Why Mental Health Matters

By putting their mental health needs first, Biles and Osaka have shown the world that physical injuries aren't the only cornerstone of health.

<https://www.healthline.com/health-news/simone-biles-spotlights-the-twisties-and-why-mental-health-matters>

Conscience clause increases barriers to mental health care for LGBTQ youth, advocates say

The conscience clause, signed by Gov. Mike DeWine on July 1 as part of Ohio's state budget, allows medical providers to refuse to perform specific services if they violate their religious, ethical or moral beliefs.

<https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/2021/08/11/conscience-clause-draws-concerns-mental-health-care-lgbtq-youth/5457262001/>

BUSINESS NEWS & LEADERSHIP ARTICLES

6 leaders share lessons gathered during the pandemic

Nurturing well-being arose as an important consideration in all conversations.

<https://www.fastcompany.com/90662892/leaders-share-lessons-gathered-during-the-pandemic>

This Former New York Times Columnist Interviewed Hundreds Of CEOs And Discovered The Cornerstone Of Leadership: Simplifying Complexity

Complexity is the defining business and leadership challenge of our time. But it has never felt more urgent than this moment, with the coronavirus upending life and business as we know it. Since March of 2020, we've been talking to leaders about what it takes to lead through the most complex and confounding problems, including the pandemic.

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/benjaminkomlos/2021/07/26/this-former-new-york-times-columnist-interviewed-hundreds-of-ceos-and-discovered-the-cornerstone-of-leadership-simplifying-complexity/?sh=4f67c4f22b34>

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