



## Bi-Weekly Bulletin for October 31, 2019

### MEMBER NEWS

#### **Burrell looking to replicate Edgewater's 'rapid access' mental treatment center**

C.J. Davis, president and CEO of Burrell Behavioral Health in Springfield, Missouri, toured the Edgewater Behavioral Health Services on Wednesday. Davis said the mental health care providers want to replicate the work being done in Gary for mental health patients and offering a rapid access center in Greene County, Missouri.

[https://www.nwitimes.com/news/local/lake/missouri-provider-looks-to-replicate-gary-s-rapid-access-mental/article\\_0fd28670-6cfd-5a07-bd94-fb2fcfbdae68.html](https://www.nwitimes.com/news/local/lake/missouri-provider-looks-to-replicate-gary-s-rapid-access-mental/article_0fd28670-6cfd-5a07-bd94-fb2fcfbdae68.html)

#### **Youth mental health conference in Springfield**

The effort to make mental and behavioral health less of stigma at schools is the goal of the "youth mental health conference" held by **Burrell Behavioral Health**.

<https://www.ozarksfirst.com/local-news/conference-on-youth-mental-health-held-to-spread-awareness/>

#### **Cannabis and Teens: Health officials discuss potential impact on adolescent mind**

At **Chestnut Health**, experts said they are working on developing education on the potentially negative impacts of marijuana including addiction, especially on the adolescent mind. One of their main concerns is that Marijuana is being grown with roughly three times more THC now than 20 years ago, which accelerates addiction.

[https://hoiabc.com/news/top-stories/2019/10/22/cannabis-and-teens-health-officials-discuss-potential-impact-on-adolescent-mind/?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=facebook\\_Heart\\_of\\_Illinois\\_ABC&fbclid=IwAR3EdFHZgg-rlz6LXvzqC7X8aivVu5nPQtLanO2HDu1Ok7BVms9IWeyEoeQ](https://hoiabc.com/news/top-stories/2019/10/22/cannabis-and-teens-health-officials-discuss-potential-impact-on-adolescent-mind/?utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook_Heart_of_Illinois_ABC&fbclid=IwAR3EdFHZgg-rlz6LXvzqC7X8aivVu5nPQtLanO2HDu1Ok7BVms9IWeyEoeQ)

#### **Innovative Saint Louis University-Psychology Community Healthcare Partnership to Target Opioid Crisis**

Saint Louis University is partnering with **Chestnut Health Systems** and Family Care Health Centers for the three-year project (2019-2022) which will enhance OUD specialty training, increasing treatment access for underserved patients and supporting prevention services.

<https://www.slu.edu/news/2019/october/slu-psychology-community-healthcare-partnerships-target-opioid-crisis.php>

## **Broomfield expands opportunities for mental health services**

Broomfield is the sixth community where **Community Reach Center** has opened offices, following Thornton, Westminster, Northglenn, Commerce City and Brighton.

<https://www.broomfieldenterprise.com/2019/10/16/broomfield-expands-opportunities-for-mental-health-services/>

## **AMHC announces leadership moves**

Ellen Bemis, CEO, Aroostook Mental Health Center, has announced the following senior leadership updates: Michelle Ferris, LCSW, to director of emergency services; Lorraine Chamberlain, LCSW, CCS, to director of integration and behavioral health in Aroostook County; and Debra L. Jacques as director of marketing and development.

<https://fiddleheadfocus.com/2019/10/21/news/business/amhc-announces-leadership-moves/>

## **Help available for substance, addiction issues**

**Volunteer Behavioral Health** is joining with other communities nationwide to recognize October as National Substance Abuse Prevention Month.

[https://www.gallatinnews.com/opinion/columns/help-available-for-substance-addiction-issues/article\\_c491f2d0-f26c-11e9-9c63-cb33aad15a88.html](https://www.gallatinnews.com/opinion/columns/help-available-for-substance-addiction-issues/article_c491f2d0-f26c-11e9-9c63-cb33aad15a88.html)

## **Centerstone Adds Services for Gambling at Illinois Locations**

Prominent addiction and mental health treatment provider Centerstone has announced it is now offering services for patients with a gambling disorder at two of its Illinois facilities.

<http://www.psychcongress.com/article/centerstone-adds-services-gambling-illinois-locations>

## **Zepf Center fund-raiser benefits teenage runaways**

“DON'T SKIRT the Issue — Help,” presented by The Zepf Center at The Pinnacle in Maumee raised more than \$40,000.

<https://www.toledoblade.com/a-e/culture/2019/10/27/zepf-center-fund-raiser-benefits-teenage-runaways-toledo-society/stories/20191021143>

## **MERIDIAN'S INAUGURAL KINDNESS MATTERS EVENT IN HONOR OF WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY**

This Gainesville-based event encouraged community members through word of mouth and various social media sites to do something kind for another person during World Mental Health Day.

<https://www.mbhci.org/meridians-inaugural-kindness-matters-event-in-honor-of-world-mental-health-day/>

## **INDUSTRY NEWS**

### **Parents Can Now Force Teens to Get Mental Health Help in Washington State**

A state law that took effect in July makes it easier for parents to intervene. Whether that's a good thing depends on whom you ask.

[https://www.vice.com/en\\_us/article/9ke8gp/parents-teens-mental-health-washington-state](https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/9ke8gp/parents-teens-mental-health-washington-state)

## **Building The Community-Based Mental Health Workforce To Expand Access To Treatment**

Recommendations for growing the community-based mental health workforce

<https://www.healthaffairs.org/doi/10.1377/hblog20191022.281887/full/>

## **Fentanyl is the deadliest drug in the US, but in some places, meth kills more**

A new report from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics found that fentanyl is the drug most commonly identified in fatal overdoses.

<https://edition.cnn.com/2019/10/25/health/fentanyl-deadliest-drug/index.html>

## **BUSINESS NEWS & LEADERSHIP ARTICLES**

### **Leadership and the pursuit of speed for strategy execution**

The role of top leaders in guiding strategy creation is well documented. Less understood is that once the strategy is formed and shared, the leader's actions must focus on minimizing organizational friction -- the processes, cultural nuances, and political and personal impediments that threaten the organization's need for speed-of-execution.

<https://www.smartbrief.com/original/2019/10/leadership-and-pursuit-speed-strategy-execution>

### **3 Ways Health Care Leaders Can Encourage Experimentation**

Improving patient scheduling, service, or billing should not be as hard as harnessing clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats to edit nucleotide sequences. And yet it seems to be. Why is that, and what can we do about it?

<https://hbr.org/2019/10/3-ways-health-care-leaders-can-encourage-experimentation>

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