



## Bi-Weekly Bulletin for April 1, 2021

### MEMBER NEWS

#### Center for Mental Health combats 'deaths of despair' due to pandemic's impacts

"Our goal is to support individuals and organizations across our communities and educate people of the warning signs," said Shelly J. Spalding, CEO of The Center for Mental Health.

[https://www.montrosepress.com/free\\_access/center-for-mental-health-combats-deaths-of-despair-due-to-pandemics-impacts/article\\_f7c61a14-90d1-11eb-914d-23ac18132d5c.html](https://www.montrosepress.com/free_access/center-for-mental-health-combats-deaths-of-despair-due-to-pandemics-impacts/article_f7c61a14-90d1-11eb-914d-23ac18132d5c.html)

#### A look at how Montrose's co-response model is helping the community at-large

The co-response model — where local law enforcement and mental health professionals respond together — launched in 2018. It's a partnership with the **Center for Mental Health**, which provides behavioral health professionals to respond with officers to police calls that involve a person experiencing a mental health crisis, and the Montrose County Sheriff's Office.

[https://www.montrosepress.com/news/a-look-at-how-montrose-s-co-response-model-is-helping-the-community-at-large/article\\_a2559a78-8d7f-11eb-a27b-973223e31cd7.html](https://www.montrosepress.com/news/a-look-at-how-montrose-s-co-response-model-is-helping-the-community-at-large/article_a2559a78-8d7f-11eb-a27b-973223e31cd7.html)

#### COVID-19 and the Mental Health and Substance Use Crisis Hearing

Witness Verna Foust, the CEO of **Red Rock Behavioral Health Services**, noted that providing federal block grants to states is critical to providing services to the vulnerable. She supports the implementation of Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) and noted that they had been proven to improve access to care, provide quality treatment, have better staff training, and give enhanced care for veterans.

<https://www.cwla.org/covid-19-and-the-mental-health-and-substance-use-crisis-hearing/>

#### \$4M grant awarded to Park Center will help create northeast Indiana's first 24/7 crisis center

"This award will be transformational to Park Center," said Charles Clark, president, Parkview Behavioral Health Institute. "The grant will allow us to deliver more services in the community, treating patients in a setting that is more supportive and conducive to their needs. By connecting with people in the field or in the crisis center, mental health professionals can provide support faster and more effectively."

<https://www.wane.com/news/local-news/4m-grant-awarded-to-park-center-will-help-create-northeast-indianas-first-24-7-crisis-center/>

## Senate OKs Fix to Illinois Behavioral Health Workforce Crisis

"We have had no applicants for clinical positions who have possessed a master's degree or license since 2018," said Georgianne Broughton, Executive Director, of the **Community Resource Center** located 298 miles south of Chicago in Carlyle, Illinois. "In 2019, for example, we were only able to hire individuals with bachelor's degrees and no experience or minimal experience to fill clinical positions."

<https://patch.com/illinois/springfield-il/senate-oks-fix-illinois-behavioral-health-workforce-crisis>

## Burrell exploring 'partnership' with Kirksville-based Preferred Family Healthcare

After a pandemic year that strained finances for many health care organizations, Burrell Behavioral Health said late Friday that its board of directors approved a letter of intent to explore a "joint partnership" between the Springfield-based company and Preferred Family Healthcare, a provider based in northern Missouri's Kirksville.

<https://www.news-leader.com/story/news/local/ozarks/2021/03/26/burrell-behavioral-health-exploring-partnership-kirksvilles-preferred-family-healthcare/7017497002/>

## Shelters Get COVID Vaccines; Some Homeless Hard To Reach

**Chestnut** hosted vaccination clinics last week at Home Sweet Home Ministries and the Salvation Army Safe Harbor shelter in Bloomington.

<https://www.wglt.org/post/shelters-get-covid-vaccines-some-homeless-hard-reach#stream/0>

## PULTE FAMILY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION COMMITS \$3 MILLION TO SUPPORT EXPANSION OF FLORIDA MENTAL HEALTH CAMPUS AND EXTEND ITS REACH IN BROWARD COUNTY

At a time when both the need and demand for quality mental healthcare has never been greater, the Pulte Family Charitable Foundation has committed \$3,000,000 to Florida-based **Henderson Behavioral Health** to support the organization's Growing Strong Campaign.

<https://www.hendersonbh.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Pulte-Family-Foundation-Gift-to-Henderson-Behavioral-Health.pdf>

## How and when Denver will expand STAR, which replaces cops with social workers on (some) nonviolent calls

STAR workers, who are comprised of behavioral health experts from **Mental Health Center of Denver** and paramedics from Denver Health, can also be dispatched by officers on the street or intervene on their own if they see someone who needs help, perhaps with a schizophrenic episode or substance abuse.

<https://denverite.com/2021/03/24/how-and-when-denver-will-expand-star-which-replaces-cops-with-social-workers-on-some-nonviolent-calls/>

## INDUSTRY NEWS

### Ensuring Health Data Collection Protects Patient Privacy, Equity

The COVID-19 pandemic has increased health data collection efforts, resulting in the need for a new regulatory framework that supports patient privacy and equity.

<https://healthitanalytics.com/news/ensuring-health-data-collection-protects-patient-privacy-equity>

### **Bernard J. Tyson National Award for Excellence in Pursuit of Healthcare Equity**

The Joint Commission and Kaiser Permanente have come together to establish The Bernard J. Tyson National Award for Excellence in Pursuit of Healthcare Equity. This annual award will recognize health care organizations and their partners that led initiatives that achieved a measurable, sustained reduction in one or more health care disparities.

<https://www.jointcommission.org/resources/awards/the-bernard-tyson-award-for-excellence-in-pursuit-of-healthcare-equity/>

### **BUSINESS NEWS & LEADERSHIP ARTICLES**

#### **How Tactical Capacity Bridges The Gap Between Strategy And Execution**

Highly effective teams and organizations bridge the gap between strategy and execution by empowering each member and communicating effectively so they can adjust to changing conditions almost seamlessly.

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/georgebradt/2021/03/30/how-tactical-capacity-bridges-the-gap-between-strategy-and-execution/?ss=leadership-strategy&sh=2d5128e16db6>

#### **Steer Clear of the Blind Spots That Derail Experiments**

Companies are testing everything from website features to compensation strategies, but five common mistakes can undermine their efforts, says Michael Luca.

<https://hbswk.hbs.edu/item/steer-clear-of-the-blind-spots-that-derail-experiments>

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