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## CMH Association and Member Activities:

### **New! Leadership change at Gratiot Integrated Health Network**

Below is a recent announcement, from the Gratiot Integrated Health Network (GIHN) of a change in the leadership of the organization.

At the August 8th, 2019 GIHN Board of Directors meeting, the Board accepted the resignation of CEO, Steve Vernon. The Board also appointed Lynn Charping as Interim CEO, effective August 8th. Lynn brings expertise and deep experience in leadership and administrative functions.

The Board is confident that GIHN will benefit from Lynn’s insights and perspectives as we continue to focus on strategic priorities and everyday business. In the upcoming months the Board will conduct a search to secure a permanent CEO.

We wish Steve the best of luck in his new endeavors and welcome Lynn in her new role.

### **New! CEI and community partners selected to participate in national jail-based opioid treatment effort**

Below is a recent press release announcing the selection of a coalition, including the CMH Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties (CEI), to participate in a national jail-based opioid use treatment effort.

Ingham County today announced it has been selected to participate in a national program to expand medication assisted treatment for opioid use disorder in jails.

The county will receive expert guidance on how to overcome barriers to providing opioid treatment and scholarships for staff members to attend trainings in Washington, D.C. Experts will work with jail officials to create treatment guidelines, manage administration of the medications, and educate jail staff about addiction. The Ingham County team includes six people representing: the Ingham County Health Department, the Ingham County Sheriff’s Department, the Ingham County Prosecutor’s Office, the 55th District Court-Probation and Treatment Courts Division, and Community Mental Health of Clinton, Eaton & Ingham Counties.

"With the expertise, dedication and resources of the Ingham County team, I know we will bring home and implement real change to improve the health of inmates and those released back into the community," said Linda S. Vail, Ingham County Health Officer.

Ingham County will also develop a plan with local health care officials to ensure people can access treatment after they are released. The program is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, and Arnold Ventures, a national philanthropy headquartered in Houston, Texas. In addition to supporting efforts to expand treatment for opioid use disorder, the philanthropy is also working to improve the criminal justice system through reforms to policing, pretrial, probation and parole, and reintegration services.

Jails are at the epicenter of the opioid crisis. Tens of thousands of people with opioid use disorder pass through the corrections system each year. But only about 30 of the 3,200 jails in the country offer the opioid medications methadone and buprenorphine, which have been shown by research to be the most effective forms of treatment. Most individuals instead go through detoxification, which lowers tolerance levels without curbing opioid cravings and dramatically raises the risk that people will overdose after they are released.

Ingham County is one of 15 jurisdictions that will participate in the Planning Initiative to Build Bridges Between Jail and Community-Based Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder. The selected sites span the country from Lewis and Clark County Detention Center in Helena, Montana, which has 80 beds, to Cook County Jail in Chicago, the largest single-site jail in the United States.

For more information about the Planning Initiative to Build Bridges Between Jail and Community-Based Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder, visit <https://www.arnoldventures.org/work/the-opioid-epidemic>.

### CMHA Committee Schedules, Membership, Minutes, and Information

Visit our website at <https://www.cmham.org/committees>

## News from Our Preferred Corporate Partners:

### myStrength: Digital Solution for Behavioral Healthcare Staff Shortages and Rampant Consumer Demand

Across the U.S., a staggering 77% of counties have underserved behavioral healthcare needs. And within the next six years, providers will face an estimated shortage of more than 250,000 behavioral health professionals. Lack of access to care is culminating in a crisis for the U.S. healthcare system resulting in poor outcomes, over-dependence on emergency departments, lower quality of care, reduced consumer satisfaction, and increasing costs.

**Technology can help.** Staff are increasingly stressed due to heavy caseload burdens and administrative work demands. Digital solutions can ease these burdens by helping meet clinical patient needs, especially those with less acute issues. myStrength's scalable, HIPAA-compliant digital behavioral health platform offers evidence-based tools that extend reach and allow clinicians to work at the high-end of their licensure by focusing on the needs of the most needy and vulnerable patients. Offering bridge support between treatment sessions, myStrength's mobile and web self-care tools are proven to drive improved outcomes and cost savings

[Request a Demo](#)

## State and National Developments and Resources:

### **New! MDHHS issues organizational chart**

MDHHS recently issued the most recent version of the organizational chart for the top tier of the Department's leadership. That chart can be found at [this link on the CMHA website](#).

### **New! SAMHSA Announces New Director of Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) and New Chief Medical Officer**

Louis Trevisan, M.D. and Neeraj Gandotra, M.D. have been named the new CSAT director and chief medical officer at SAMHSA, respectively. Prior to joining SAMHSA, Dr. Trevisan served as the substance use disorder lead consultant for the Department of Veterans Affairs National TeleMental Health Center. He is also a board-certified addiction psychiatrist. Dr. Gandotra previously served as chief medical officer for the fourth largest nationwide addiction treatment network and the medical director of addiction treatment services at Johns Hopkins.

### **New! NOMINATIONS Open for Recipient Rights Directors Award and Cooke Gant Spirit Award**

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Recipient Rights is accepting nominations for its annual Directors' Awards and Cookie Gant Spirit Award. Office of Recipient Rights is pleased to announce its call for nominations recognizing excellence in Recipient Rights Community by honoring individuals that deserve recognition in the areas of innovation, advocacy and empowerment. There are four awards presented each year at the Recipient Rights Conference. Each award has its own criteria and is summarized below:

Director's Award for Innovation and Rights Protection: Nominees will have created a new or different way of enabling the vision of recipient rights or of a rights office. This may include creating a valuable new process or product, constructing a difference way of approaching old problems, creating a new solution for a systemic problem.

Director's Award for Advocacy on Behalf of Mental Health Recipients: Nominees will have made an outstanding contribution toward, or have gone to extraordinary means, to advocate on behalf of people receiving mental health services.

Director's Award for Consumer Empowerment: Nominees will have made a profound or uniquely positive difference in the lives of consumers, so that consumers are empowered to transcend the "world of disability" and live a life of self-advocacy.

Cookie Gant Spirit Award: This award is issued by the State Recipient Rights Advisory Committee and is presented to an individual who exhibits the dedication, demonstrates tenacity, and advocates diligently for persons with mental illness or developmental disabilities.

Please take the time to nominate an individual within the rights system, a colleague, an organization, who deserves to be celebrated-consider nominating individuals or organizations whose accomplishment has yet

to be publicly acknowledged. A nomination form to submit your referral for Directors' Awards and the Cookie Gant Spirit Award can be obtained by emailing Veronica Ryan at [RyanV1@michigan.gov](mailto:RyanV1@michigan.gov)

All nominations are due August 15, 2019.

### **New! Michigan health providers must enroll in system by Oct. 1 for Medicaid patients to be able to fill prescriptions**

Health care providers are facing an important upcoming enrollment deadline that is necessary for their Medicaid beneficiaries to be able to continue to fill prescriptions.

To meet federal requirements, providers who prescribe medications to Medicaid beneficiaries must enroll by Oct. 1, 2019, in the Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS) – the state's online Medicaid enrollment system. Under federal requirements, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will prohibit payment for prescription drug claims written by any provider who is not enrolled in CHAMPS.

"At MDHHS we want to make sure that Michigan's Medicaid beneficiaries are able to continue to fill the prescriptions they need to be healthy," said Kate Massey, MDHHS deputy director for Medical Services Administration and Medicaid director. "We encourage providers to register in CHAMPS as soon as possible to avoid any interruptions in patients' drug therapy."

The federal Affordable Care Act and the 21st Century Cures Act require prescribers to enroll. The purpose of this requirement is to protect beneficiaries by strengthening program integrity and care quality. The requirement applies to all providers who prescribe drugs – including medical residents.

Providers who want information about the enrollment process and how to get started can reference MSA 19-20 or visit [Michigan.gov/MedicaidProviders](http://Michigan.gov/MedicaidProviders) and click on the "Provider Enrollment" box. Providers who have questions on the process can call MDHHS Provider Support at 800-292-2550.

### **New! MDHHS announces webpage for adult foster care and homes for aged**

Below is a recent announcement from MDHHS on the creation of an Adult Foster Care and Homes for the Aged webpage.

To better provide you with the information you need, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has created a new Adult Foster Care and Homes for the Aged webpage. The page is intended for providers who want to receive the Medicaid personal care supplement payment out of Title XIX funding. Additional materials are being added and updated so check this new webpage frequently.

To access this webpage, visit [www.Michigan.gov/AFCprovider](http://www.Michigan.gov/AFCprovider)

### **New! Public meetings on Michigan Rehabilitation Services transfer to new state agency announced**

Below is a recent press release from MDHHS on a series of public hearings centered around the movement of Michigan Rehabilitation Services to a newly created department.

LANSING, Mich. – Michigan Rehabilitation Services customers and others can attend public meetings at four locations on Aug. 9 regarding its move to a new state government department.

Michigan Rehabilitation Services, which provides specialized employment and education services and training to help people with disabilities become employed and retain employment, is scheduled to transfer to the newly created Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) on Aug. 11.

Michigan Rehabilitation Services, now part of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), will hold the meetings and accept public comments. Gov. Gretchen Whitmer in June signed an executive order creating LEO to streamline and better coordinate efforts within state government to meet the state's business and labor needs. The Department of Talent & Economic Development becomes LEO on Aug. 11.

The Aug. 9 meetings are at the following times and locations, which are all accessible. Anyone requiring additional accommodations to participate should call 800-605-6722 by 5 p.m. Aug. 2.

- Disability Network Capital Area, 901 E. Mount Hope Ave., Lansing, 2-5:30 p.m. Anyone who cannot attend the Lansing meeting in person can participate by calling 877-336-1831 and entering passcode 7467045.
- Michigan Rehabilitation Services, Detroit Grand River Office, 17411 Grand River Ave., Detroit, 2-6 p.m.
- Michigan Works Marquette, 1498 Odovero Drive, Suite 2, Marquette, 1-5 p.m.
- Michigan Works Traverse City, Networks Northwest Conference Center, 1209 S. Garfield Ave., Suite E, Traverse City, 2-6 p.m.

At the meetings, members of the public can comment on a proposed amendment to the fiscal year 2016-2020 State Plan for Vocational Rehabilitation Services and the State Supported Employment Services Program. The proposed state plan amendment implements provisions of the executive order. After public comments are received, the plan will be submitted for final approval to the U.S. Department of Education Rehabilitation Services Administration.

Written comments on the state plan amendment may be submitted by email with "state plan comments" in the subject line to [PolicyUnitSupport@michigan.gov](mailto:PolicyUnitSupport@michigan.gov). People also can submit written comments at any of the meetings or by mailing them to State Plan Comments, c/o MRS Bureau Director, Michigan Rehabilitation Services, P.O. Box 30010, Lansing, MI 48909. All comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. Aug. 9.

The proposed state plan amendment is posted on the Michigan Rehabilitation Services website. For general information, visit [www.michigan.gov/mrs](http://www.michigan.gov/mrs).

### **New! Michigan ACE initiative links announced**

The Michigan Adverse Childhood Events (ACE) Initiative recently announced a number of links to resources to support community education around ACE. Those links are listed below.

New! Michigan ACE initiative links announced

1. New Michigan Ace Initiative Website : <https://miace.org/>
2. Michigan ACE Initiative Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MichiganACE/>
3. Michigan ACE Initiative Videos:  
1st Video—Overview of ACE and ACE initiative  
<https://youtu.be/MtuTmDtvGm0>

2nd Video—Resilience efforts by Master Trainers

<https://youtu.be/XM4o50q8r5g>

4. Michigan ACE Conference (May 23rd)

b. Keynote from Dr. Christina Bethell (1 hour and 6 minutes)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfAbNUYkXYQ>

c. Presentation by Lynn Waymer, VP from KPJR Films (22 minutes)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kuyn0RPhD84>

d. Panel Discussion from Master Trainers (55 minutes)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gJVnO\\_9SM9c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gJVnO_9SM9c)

e. Links to Power points from Conference, List of Master Trainers, and listing of State Steering Committee

Organizations

<https://miace.org/about/#resources>,

<https://miace.org/about/#partners>

### **New! CMS provides guidance on electronic visit verification**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) continues to provide technical assistance to states and other stakeholders to ensure compliance with the 21st Century Cures Act. The Agency has received numerous requests from states and stakeholders to clarify certain electronic visit verification (EVV) requirements.

Recently CMS issued an Informational Bulletin that includes a set of frequently asked questions to provide guidance regarding the applicability of EVV requirements to beneficiaries with live-in caregivers, the provision of durable medical equipment, and services rendered partially in the home and partially in the community, where requirement may create privacy concerns.

This guidance also affirms that web-based electronic timesheets alone are not sufficient for ensuring EVV compliance.

This guidance adds additional clarity to previous guidance available on the CMS resource pages:

EVV Resources Page

CIB: Electronic Visit Verification

### **New! Minimizing Trauma and Maximizing Treatment for Migrant Children**

Below are resources provided by the National Council for Behavioral Health, one of the national organizations of which CMHA and CMHA members are also members.

Left unaddressed, the impacts of trauma can be far-reaching. That's especially true for migrant children, many of whom experience trauma at a young age. "Migrant children are more vulnerable because of their inherent environmental situation. Some migrant children are

leaving areas with volatile political strife, poverty, and community or even domestic violence," said Linda Henderson-Smith, director of children and trauma-informed services for the National Council. [Read more.](#)

The demand for behavioral health care knows no boundaries. Every day, we are connecting vulnerable populations – like migrant families and their children – to the care they deserve. With this in mind, we've put together a collection of external resources to help you maximize your impact in your community. We've provided an extensive list of resources at on our BH365 blog. Here is just a small sampling.

- Caring for Children Moving Alone: Protecting Unaccompanied and Separated Children
- Creating Accessible, Culturally Relevant, Domestic Violence- and Trauma Informed Agencies, A Self-Reflection Tool
- Trauma Informed Care for Children Exposed to Violence: Tips for Agencies Working with Immigrant Families
- Package of Resources for: Planning, Implementing, and Evaluating the Integration of Cultural and Linguistic Competence into Mental Health Service Delivery
- Helping Immigrant Children Heal
- Community-Defined Evidence: A Culturally-Appropriate Approach to Meeting the Mental Health Needs of Diverse Populations
- Measures that are Appropriate for Refugee Children and Families

## State Legislative Update:

### **New! Shirkey: There Will Be No Government Shutdown**

Senate Majority Leader Mike Shirkey (R-ClarkLake) told WJR radio this week there will be no government shutdown because "there's no reason for it." Gov. Gretchen Whitmer suggested Monday that a continuation budget be prepared in case budget negotiations go beyond Oct. 1, but Shirkey told radio show host Frank Beckmann that legislative leaders are making "good progress on the budget and some creative ways to address roads."

He said he's been in continuous contact with Whitmer throughout the summer and expects to come out with a framework of a deal in two weeks. Shirkey is predicting a "busy September" as legislators fill in the details of the budget, but "that's OK."

Shirkey didn't provide a lot of details about what he's looking at, but here are some other highlights:

- He will suggest using additional General Fund money for roads. Like the 2015 deal that ultimately steered \$600 million from the General Fund for roads, Shirkey said the cap will be lifted off that and more will go to the roads.

He conceded that future legislatures will be put in the position to find the necessary cuts to balance the



budget.

- Shirkey said that changes in spending priorities and re-evaluating cash flows will free up north of \$1 billion.
- Once the spending priorities and the cash flow issues are addressed, Shirkey said some new revenue can be discussed but it won't be anything close to the 45-cent-a-gallon gas tax increase Whitmer initially proposed.

### Federal Update:

#### **New! Bill Expands Access to Telehealth for Mental Illness, Substance Use Disorder**

New legislation introduced in Congress this week would expand access to telemedicine for mental health and substance use disorder treatment. The Improving Access to Remote Behavioral Health Treatment Act of 2019 (S. 2244/H.R. 4131) would amend regulations for the Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008 and specifically name community mental health centers and addiction treatment centers as eligible sites to prescribe controlled substances via telemedicine.

The Ryan Haight Act created regulatory guardrails for safe online pharmacy practices. In the implementation of the law, the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) definition of eligible "hospital or clinic" requires that entities be "licensed by the state." This definition excludes legitimate treatment providers that are otherwise recognized by county or state governments to prescribe controlled substances via telemedicine. While this issue only applies in a few select states, the law currently limits patient access to controlled substance via telemedicine, including access to medications for ADHD and medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for opioid use disorder.

In March, 2018, National Council member Richard Nance of the Utah County Department of Drug and Alcohol Prevention and Treatment testified before the House Energy and Commerce Committee about the impact the current regulations have on rural providers who are unable to offer MAT via telemedicine. Nance shared that in the frontier areas of Utah, such as the town of Bluff, "it can take up to ten hours round-trip including an overnight stay," for an addiction provider to travel to see a patient in need of MAT.

The Improving Access to Remote Behavioral Health Treatment Act is a longstanding priority for the National Council and one we are excited to see reintroduced in the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress. The bill sponsors include: Senator Pat Roberts (R-KS) and Representatives Doris Matsui (D-CA), Susan Brooks (R-IN), Tom O'Halleran (D-AZ), Ann Kuster (D-NH) and Rob Wittman (R-VA). The National Council thanks these legislators for their leadership on this important issue and looks forward to working with them to see this bill through to passage.

#### **New! Registration is Now Open for Hill Day 2019 - Behavioral Health's Largest Advocacy event of the Year.**

Held in partnership with national mental health and addictions organizations, Hill Day gathers hundreds of behavioral health providers, C-suite level executives, board members, consumers and community stakeholders in Washington, D.C. (September 17-18).

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Hill Day begins with sessions and workshops on federal behavioral health policy. The following day, attendees take their message to Capitol Hill to advocate for better resources for mental health and addictions treatment in their communities.

We look forward to seeing you in Washington, D.C., this September. [Register today!](#)

National Council Hill Day registration is free and open to all interested advocates. Attendees are responsible for booking and funding their own transportation and hotel accommodations. [Book your room](#) at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill at a special discounted rate.

The schedule will be updated as Hill Day nears so stay tuned!

Tuesday, September 17, 2019: Public Policy Institute

- National Council will provide the latest news about federal behavioral health policy, host advocacy trainings and discuss the policy asks for Hill Day 2019.

Wednesday, September 18, 2019: Capitol Hill Visits

- Congressional visits will be made in coordination with your state's State Captain. CMHA staff make appointments and coordinate meetings with federal legislators.

### **Education Opportunities:**

#### **CMHA Fall Conference Call for Presentations - Deadline August 19, 2019**

Share your expertise, research or showcase a successful program with over 800 attendees during our Annual Fall Conference!

The CMHAM Annual Fall Conference will be held on:

October 21 & 22, 2019

Grand Traverse Resort, Traverse City, Michigan

Presentation Submission Form is attached or [CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD WORKSHOP FORM!](#)

Submit your workshop proposals by Monday, August 19, 2019.

Note: Hotel reservation and Conference registration are not available at this time.

#### **New! The Addiction-Trauma Connection: Spirals of Recovery and Healing Conference**

**Featuring:** Stephanie S. Covington, PhD, Institute for Relational Development/Center for Gender and Justice

**About the Conference:** With the increased awareness of the impact of trauma on women's lives, social service providers are beginning to consider what this means in their specific settings. There is a growing evidence-base documenting the impact of child neglect and abuse (as well as other forms of trauma) on health, mental health and behavior. While research and clinical experience indicate a high incidence of trauma and co-occurring disorders in women's lives, community professionals often struggle with the realities of providing effective, integrated, and trauma-based services. This two-day training provides the definitions of trauma informed, trauma responsive, and trauma specific: the three levels of response needed

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for comprehensive addiction treatment services. It also discusses the specifics of becoming gender-responsive and trauma-sensitive, as well as offers recommendations for interventions for women. It focuses on the three core elements that both staff and clients need: an understanding of what trauma is, its process, and its impact on both the inner self (thoughts, feelings, beliefs, values) and the outer self (behavior and relationships). In addition, it provides a discussion and demonstration of interventions based on several gender-specific curricula (including Helping Women Recover, Beyond Trauma, Beyond Anger and Violence, and Voices). Examples of coping skills, grounding exercises, and interactive exercises are provided that can be incorporated into work with women in a variety of settings.

September 24 & 25, 2019

8:30am: Registration

9:00am – 4:30pm: Training

Lansing Center

333 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI 48933

Fee: \$100/person includes 2 breakfasts, 2 luncheons and training material.

Registration Closes Friday, 8/30/19!

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THIS CONFERENCE!](#)

### **Annual Recipient Rights Conference**

Join us for the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Recipient Rights Conference which will be held on September 24-27, 2019 at the McCamly Plaza Hotel in Battle Creek, Michigan.

Pre-Conference on September 24, 2019 from 9am-4pm: Scientific Content Analysis featuring Avinoam Sapir  
Full Conference from September 25-27, 2019 will feature General Sessions on Human Trafficking and How Policy Makers Work and How Advocates can Influence change with Senator Rebekah Warren as well as 24 workshops.

Conference Registration information: [Click here to register!](#)

#### **Overnight Accommodations:**

The McCamly Hotel is **currently sold out**. You may request to be put on a waiting list.

Standard Rooms \$119.00 + 11% sales and accommodation tax

Reservations: 269-963-7050 or 888-622-2659

The McCamly Hotel's phone system is currently down. Please contact them at: e-mail

[mccamlyreservations@truthorhospitality.com](mailto:mccamlyreservations@truthorhospitality.com) or their temporary phone number: 269-268-5021.

Room block name: 2019 Recipient Rights Conference

Cutoff date to secure hotel accommodations is August 23, 2019

#### **Overflow Hotel Information:**

Holiday Inn at 12812 Harper Village Drive, Battle Creek

**For Reservations, call: 269-979-0500 refer to Block Code RRC**

\$119 single/double plus taxes

Cutoff date to secure hotel accommodations is **September 6, 2019**

### **Individualized Service Plans Using the ASAM Criteria and Motivational Interviewing Trainings**

- August 13-14, 2019 – Hilton Garden Inn, Detroit

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- August 27-28, 2019 – Radisson Plaza Hotel, Kalamazoo
- September 24-25, 2019 – Great Wolf Lodge, Traverse City

Visit [www.cmham.org](http://www.cmham.org) for more information.

## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorder Conference

“Innovative Strategies for Today’s Challenges”

**Pre-Conference Workshops: September 15, 2019** (*registration coming soon*)

**Full Conference: September 16-17, 2019** (*registration now open!*)

Cobo Center, Detroit, MI

[Click here for more information about attending or exhibiting at the conference.](#)

**Who Should Attend:** This conference attracts more than 1,200 attendees including board members, oversight policy board members, administrators, financial directors, medical directors, clinical directors, prevention, treatment and recovery professionals, case managers, recovery coaches and those with lived experience. This educational opportunity is intended for providers in the substance use and co-occurring disorders field at all levels of practice (beginning, intermediate and/or advanced).

## Save the Date for the 2019 Annual Home and Community Based Waiver Conference

The Annual Home and Community Based Waiver Conference will be held November 19 & 20, 2019.

Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center  
55 South Harrison Road  
East Lansing 48823

**Conference Objective:** This conference will provide technical assistance and training on the implementation and maintenance of the Children’s Waiver Program (CWP) and the Habilitation Supports Waiver (HSW), clinical issues, and administrative functions relevant to these waivers. Additionally, this conference will provide training in ASD, evidence-based services, highlight programs across the state, and provide technical assistance on implementation of the Medicaid/MiChild Autism Benefit.



**Who Should Attend:** This conference contains content appropriate for case managers, supports coordinators, clinicians, behavior analysts, CMH administrative or clinical staff, providers, HCBS or waiver coordinators, individuals receiving services and family members and social workers at all levels of practice (beginning, intermediate and/or advanced).

**Overnight Accommodations:** The Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center is located in East Lansing adjacent to Michigan State University.

- Room Rate: \$85 per night plus tax.
- For Room Reservations: Call 517-432-4000 and provide the discount code of 1911DCH&MA.
- The deadline for room discounts is October 10, 2019.

**Special Rate:** A special \$20 conference rate will be offered for people receiving waiver services and their family members. A limited number of scholarships are available to people who receive services and their families. Scholarships may cover registration fees, overnight rooms, travel expenses, meals and childcare.

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Deadline to request scholarship: October 1, 2019. To request a scholarship form, contact Anne Wilson at [awilson@cmham.org](mailto:awilson@cmham.org) or 517-374-6848.

Questions? Call 517-374-6848 OR email [cward@cmham.org](mailto:cward@cmham.org) OR [awilson@cmham.org](mailto:awilson@cmham.org)

### **New! Behavioral Healthcare: Approaches to Increase Value for the Organization and Meet Community Needs**

Education and Networking Event Friday October 18th, 2019  
Western Michigan University Fetzer Center  
2251 Business Ct, Kalamazoo, MI

9:00 AM Registration and networking  
10:00 AM Education Session Panel Discussion:

Moderator: Bradley Casemore, CEO, Southwest Michigan Behavioral Health

Panelists: Robert Lyerla, Ph.D., MGIS, former Federal Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration Executive; Lia Gaggino, M.D., Senior Medical Executive, Bronson Health Systems, Kalamazoo, MI; Robert Hill, M.D., Senior Medical Executive, State of Michigan, Kalamazoo Psychiatric Hospital, Internist, former Hospital Executive; Jeff Patton, CEO, Kalamazoo Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

11:30 AM Networking Break and transition into Lunch  
12:00 PM Lunch and Key Note Address  
Speaker: TBD  
1:30 PM Adjourn

Price:  
\$125 GLACHE Member (includes education sessions and lunch)  
\$155 Non-GLACHE Member (includes education session and lunch)  
\$ 30 Student (includes education session and lunch)

More information and online registration: Behavioral Healthcare: Approaches to Increase Value for the Organization and Meet Community Needs

## **Miscellaneous News and Information:**

### **CMH Association's Officers and Staff Contact Information:**

#### **CMHA Officers Contact Information:**

The Officers of the CMH Association of Michigan recently proposed, in their commitment to fostering dialogue among the members of the Association with the Association's leaders, that their contact information be shared with the Association membership. While this dialogue will not take the place of the regular dialogue and decision making that occurs during the meetings of the Association's Executive Board, Steering Committee, Provider Alliance, Association Committees, Directors Forum, PIHP CEOs meeting, nor any of the great number of Association-sponsored and supported dialogue venues, the Officers want to ensure that the members of the Association can reach them to discuss issues of interest to the Association's members. The contact information for the officers is provided below:

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