

This Week at AMHCA

Federal Advocacy

Senate Dear Colleague Letter on Medicare Improvements & Call to Action

Recently, three U.S. Senators -- Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), Sherrod Brown (D-OH), and Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) sent a "Dear Colleague" letter to all Senators encouraging their fellow Senators to significantly modernize, strengthen and add benefits to the traditional Medicare Program. They have described their rationale in their communication and a key legislative piece -- S. 286, the Medicare Mental Health Access Improvement Act -- is one of the bills they are requesting the Senate pass so the Medicare program continues to provide value to current and future enrollees. Senator Stabenow is the co-sponsor of S. 286 with John Barrasso (R-WY).

The U.S. Senate will be going back into session after the Labor Day Holiday. This is the time to engage your elected officials. To contact your Senators and request their support for S. 286 -- the Medicare Mental Health Access Improvement Act

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UPCOMING WEBINAR: September 13

What Mental Health Counselors Need to Know About Medical Marijuana

Join AMHCA Southern Region Director, Aaron Norton, in a 2-hour webinar on September 13, 2019 from 3:00-5:00 pm Eastern. This webinar seeks to provide attendees with answers to some of these questions, and resources for others. Also, attendees will be exposed to a tool called the Decision Matrix for CMHCs Encountering Medical Marijuana Use in Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Settings, which was designed to aid CMHCs in formulating a very clear and informed approach to addressing medical marijuana use.

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Message From the President

PRESS RELEASE: AMHA and ACES Form Special Task Force to Enhance Clinical Mental Health Counselor Education and Supervision

We are incredibly grateful for ACES' commitment to the Task Force engagement process, and look forward to the discussions and contributions to this important work. We are pleased to be collaborating with a special organization like ACES where we share similar objectives in advancing clinical mental health counseling. The Task Force was commissioned by Dr. Kris Goodrich, ACES President for 2019-2020, and Dr. Beeson. The Task Force will be chaired by Dr. Vicki White Kress.

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2020 Conference

Save the Date for Las Vegas, Nevada, June 24-26, 2020!

Save the date for the 2020 AMHCA Annual Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada! We will be going to Vegas for the annual conference June 24-26, 2020. More information is coming soon. Hope we see you there!

Governance

Website Construction

The AMHCA website is undergoing a bit of reconstruction. In an effort to make the website more user friendly we are moving a few things around. Please bear with us as we rebuild our hub and feel free to reach out to Whitney Meyerhoeffer (wmeyerhoeffer@amhca.org) at AMHCA if you have any questions or concerns.



Member Benefits Added in 2019

AMHCA Partners with Driven: Become one of the first neuroscience-based resilience coaches in the US

Building collaborative relationships is a core strength of AMHCA. We are happy to announce that AMHCA has forged with international innovators in the field of neuroscience and resilience, Hello Driven (<https://home.hellodriven.com/>). AMHCA continues to be a leader in promoting our understanding of the role of neuroscience in the training, research, and practice of clinical mental health counseling.

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AMHCA is excited to announce that we have added an expert search feature to our website!

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