

This Week at AMHCA

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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Federal Advocacy

Bipartisan Mental Health Access Improvement Act Reintroduced in Congress

On January 31st, the Mental Health Access Improvement Act (S. 286) was re-introduced by Senator Barrasso (R-WY) and Senator Stabenow (D-MI), that will allow mental health counselors to bill Medicare for treating older adults with mental health conditions. AMHCA was instrumental in accelerating the early introduction of S. 286 in the new Congressional session. Please see a press release below about the announcement on the re-introduction of the Mental Health Access Improvement Act. Rep. Thompson (CA-05) and Rep. Katko (NY-24) also announced they have reintroduced the bipartisan Mental Health Access Improvement Act in the House.

We encourage you to contact two Senators and your Congressional Member in the House of Representatives, to express your support for the Mental Health Access Improvement Act. Please mention Senate Bill 286 and House Bill 945 in your communications. Click below for more information and sample communications to use when writing or speaking to your members of Congress.

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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!

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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.

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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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