

Centerstone to Present at National Council for Behavioral Health National Conference

The 2019 <u>National Council for Behavioral Health National Conference</u>, the largest behavioral health conference in healthcare, will be held March 25 – 27 at the Gaylord Opryland in Nashville.

The conference will feature 12 staff from Centerstone as session presenters, speakers and industry experts.

Ashleigh Hall, MOL, CPS II, Marketing Coordinator, will present a TED talk about Centerstone's innovative comic book series, which engages and educates challenging to reach populations – like teens – about complex issues including underage drinking, bullying, online safety, grief, depression and suicidal ideation. Participants will learn more about the decision-making process and steps that led Centerstone to create a series of five comic books (and superhero Spark), delve into the process of developing a relevant and clinically accurate product, and leave with a fresh perspective on how to engage, educate and even entertain difficult to reach populations. Check out the latest-released comic book, *Spark: Rising from the Ashes!*

Becky Stoll, **LCSW**, Vice President for Crisis and Disaster Management, will join industry experts in two panel discussions. The first session, titled "No Wrong Door: Linking Communities to Best Practices in Suicide Care and Prevention," will highlight the key updates in suicide prevention and explore best practices in suicide care and prevention. The second session, titled "The Evolving Application of Suicide Care Standards and Best Practices Into Health Care Systems," will highlight the evolving standards of suicide care and prevention and the foundation of the Zero Suicide model.

David Guth, Chief Executive Officer, will provide participants with an insider's perspective of the capabilities needed to create a community behavioral health system and discuss how affiliations and mergers can fit into a comprehensive growth plan.

Dawn Kingsley, MSHA, Vice President of Payer Contracting & Strategy, and **Jan Goodson, MBA**, Vice President of Business & Service Development, will lead participants through a poster presentation titled "Beyond the Grant: Building a Long Term Sustainability Plan With Payer Partners." They will discuss ways to build sustainable funding mechanisms to create long-term grant sustainability programs.

Dawn Kingsley will also conduct an additional poster presentation, titled "Building Payer Partnerships in a Value-Based World," about developing key payer relationships within health plans and the key elements of a value-based agreement.

Karen Rhea, MD, Chief Medical Officer, will lead participants through a poster presentation titled, "First Do No Harm: 'AIMS' To Improve Clinical Care Through an Innovative Partnership,"

highlighting how innovative partnerships can translate to increased access to high quality care for patients.

Kimberly Brothers, LCSW Director of Business Development, will join the assistant chief of the Louisville Metro Police Department to lead participants through a workshop presentation titled "The Stepping Up Initiative," discussing the importance of community partnerships and effective strategies for collaboration and project implementation across community key stakeholders.

Kristine Nunn, MA, LMFT, Children's Department Manager, and **Lisa Felsman, BS,** Systems of Care Coordinator, will lead a poster presentation titled, "Project: Play With Me! A Grassroots Effort to Encourage the Protective Factor of Play in Preventing and Alleviating Childhood Trauma and Toxic Stress Symptoms in a Rural Indiana Community," sharing the journey of evidence-based play programs.

Lynda Killoran, LCPC, Clinical Manager, and **Debbie Thomas, MSW**, Clinical Manager, will lead a poster presentation titled, "How to Do a Quality Assessment, TCOM Style," highlighting the transformation collaborative outcomes management (TCOM) tool and concepts of communication, client voice and engagement.

Mandi Ryan, MSN, RN, Director of Healthcare Innovation, will lead participants through a poster presentation titled, "Health Homes: Delivering Care That Changes People's Lives," highlighting the Health Home model and discussing strategies to improve physical and behavioral health gaps in care.

More than 5,000 behavioral health innovators, thought leaders and change-influencers from all over the world are expected to be in attendance to reflect on the industry's progress, explore the issues affecting mental health and look ahead to what is next for the industry.

About Centerstone

Centerstone is a not-for-profit health care organization dedicated to delivering care that changes people's lives. We provide mental health and substance abuse treatment, education and support to communities in Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Tennessee and additionally offer individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities life skills development, employment and housing services. Nationally, we have specialized programs for service members, veterans and their loved ones, and develop employee assistance programs for businesses of all sizes. Our research institute improves behavioral healthcare through research and technology, and our foundation secures philanthropic resources to support our work. For more information, visit www.centerstone.org.

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