

2021–2022 Annual Report



**Florida Behavioral
Health Association**

Inform. Innovate. Influence.

Message from the President

Members, we had an incredible year. Together, we have continued to raise awareness about the importance of mental health and were a driving force in the pursuit to break the stigma around substance use disorders and mental illness.

We had a remarkable legislative session with over a dozen bills related to mental health and substance use disorder policy passed and signed into law, and the budget contained the highest increase in funding for behavioral health in decades. Despite these successes, we faced immense workforce challenges; as every sector of the economy felt the effects of the 'great resignation,' the health care industry's struggle to recruit and retain staff often threatened ongoing operations. Yet our doors never closed, and we continued to provide services to those in need and to our communities.

Throughout the fiscal year, the Florida Behavioral Health Association staff focused on policy initiatives, facilitated ongoing dialogue with state agencies, led weekly membership calls, held virtual division meetings and webinars, visited members, hosted an extremely successful annual conference, and joined our members in-person at board meetings and other events. We finished the year in a strong financial position, increased our membership and our visibility.

We are proud to share our work and the work of the members in this annual report. The FBHA member agencies are a lifeline to wellness for communities across our state and make a tremendous positive impact on families every day. We are thankful for the work you do and are honored to continue to represent you and our industry.

Melanie



**Melanie
Brown-Woofter**

President and CEO
Florida Behavioral
Health Association

Chairs 2021-2022



FBHA CHAIR

**Melissa
Larkin-Skinner**

Centerstone
of Florida



FCBH CHAIR

**Frank
Rabbito**

WestCare
Florida



FADAA CHAIR

**Jan
Cairnes**

Hanley
Foundation

General Membership

3

National
Council Board
Members

545,000+

people were treated
by FBHA members
this past year

10

New
Members



17,000+

employees make up the
FBHA statewide workforce



FBHA members
provide services in all

67

of Florida's counties



**Allison
Hill**

Lakeview
Center



**Babette
Hankey**

Aspire
Health Partners



**Jan
Cairnes**

Hanley
Foundation

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FBHA Member CEOs
were recognized by the
Top 100 Women-Led
Business Awards



40+

FBHA members
have been providing
services for
over 30 years

Advocacy

- Secured **\$126 million in new, recurring general revenue** for community mental health and substance use services.
- Ensured that over **\$50 million in special projects** made it across the finish line, growing this one-time spend by over 130%.
- Secured a **\$9.6 million increase to FACT** to align the funding for DCF based on actual enrolled patients.
- Spearheaded legislation that **breaks down barriers to care and lessens stigma** by allowing a parent or guardian, jointly with a medical professional, to make a health care decision regarding treatment for his or her child in a mental health emergency situation (SB 1844).
- Led the effort to allow community-based **APRNs to discharge a person from a Baker Act receiving facility**. The law also allows providers to notify a patient's emergency contact when the patient presents for an emergency mental health or substance use service (SB 1262).
- Helped to **address the opioid epidemic by expanding access** to emergency opioid antagonists (SB 544).
- Rallied behind workforce innovations by supporting legislation that authorizes **Florida to participate in the Professional Counselors Licensure Compact** allowing Florida-licensed mental health professionals to provide services to out-of-state patients (HB 1521).



Sharing FBHA News



Twitter impressions

132,147

- 126 new followers
- 10,069 profile visits
- 196 mentions



Facebook posts reached

15,574
people

- 1,033 page visits
- 148 new page likes

FBHA was mentioned in

21

articles and published
eight press releases



New LinkedIn followers

172

- 939 page views
- 470 unique visitors



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CCBHCs

12 of 13

FBHA members have
12 of the 13 statewide
Certified Community
Behavioral Health Clinics
(CCBHCs) Grants.

- Apalachee Center
- Aspire Health Partners
- Banyan Health Systems
- Centerstone of Florida
- Citrus Health Network
- Cove Behavioral Health
(previously DACCO)

- Gateway Community Services
- Henderson Behavioral Health
- LifeStream Behavioral Center
- Meridian Behavioral Healthcare
- River Region Human Services
- SMA Healthcare



What Are CCBHCs?

CCBHCs are non-profit organizations that provide integrated health care for individuals and families with behavioral health conditions regardless of their ability to pay.



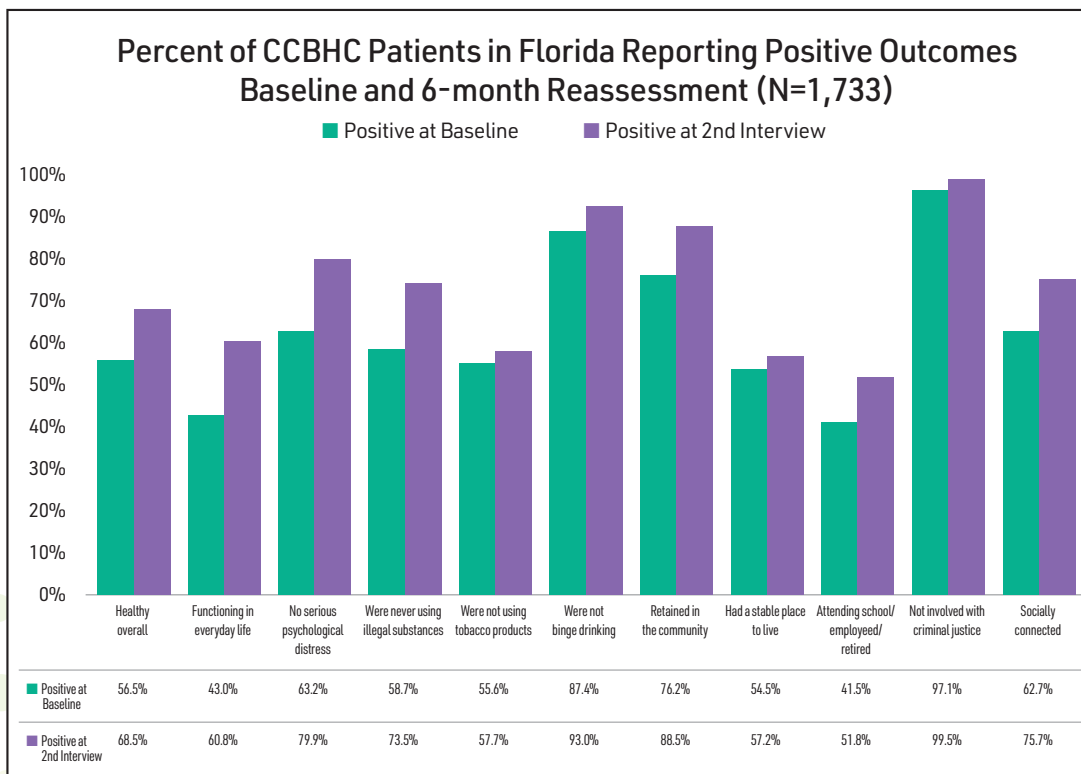
Florida CCBHC Outcomes

INCREASED

- 21% **increase** in individuals reporting they are healthy overall
- 42% **increase** in individuals reporting they are functioning in everyday life
- 27% **increase** in individuals reporting they are not experiencing serious psychological distress
- 25% **increase** in individuals reporting they are never using illegal substances
- 25% **increase** in individuals reporting they are attending school regularly and/or currently employed/retired
- 21% **increase** in individuals reporting they are socially connected.

DECREASED

- 92% **decrease** in individuals reporting incarcerations in correctional facilities
- 69% **decrease** in individuals reporting hospitalizations for mental health care
- 81% **decrease** in individuals reporting using the emergency room for mental health issues
- 46% **decrease** in individuals reporting using inpatient substance use treatment
- 45% **decrease** in individuals reporting they are experiencing physical violence
- 30% **decrease** in individuals reporting they are experiencing homelessness



FADAA Dashboard

FY 2021–2022

July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

95

Training Events Delivered

Training events include webinars, workshops, summits, BHCon and recorded modules

11,272

Individuals Trained

Sum of individuals in each training event except recorded modules

13,430

Continuing Education Units Awarded

Florida Certification Board
Florida Board of Social Work
Florida Board of Nursing

FADAA Programs
are sponsored
through generous
grants from:



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT
OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
MYFLFAMILIES.COM

SAMHSA
Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION
fldoe.org



180

New Resources Added

The Resource Center houses
information specifically
selected to support behavioral
health practitioners

98.6

Percent Satisfaction Training Rating

As reported by
attendees following
training events

51,094

Resource Center Visits

Page views of
FADAA's web-based
Resource Center

66

Treatment Providers Delivering MAT

Agencies providing Medication
Assisted Treatment under
contract with FADAA

3,803

Patients that Received a MAT Medication

Patients may have received any
of the FDA approved medications,
Naltrexone, Buprenorphine,
or Methadone

5

Average Vivitrol Shots per Patient

Reflects only patients
that received one or more
Vivitrol shots

747

Probation Officers

Trained on opioid use disorders,
and Medication Assisted Treatment

7

Behavioral Health Employers

Registered in the Apprenticeship
Partners Information
Database System

88

TA Visits Completed

Technical Assistance Visits include
Evidence-Based Practice reviews,
Independent Review visits, and
MAT in-person supports

Events Throughout the Year

Opioid
Summit
Participation

123

Number of
Board Meetings
(FBHA, FADAA and FCBH)

15

Legislative BBQ
Reception
Participation

50+

Division Meeting
Participation

343+

2022 Administrator
Forum Participation

130

BHCon2021
Participation

1,377



Engaging State Legislators

During this fiscal year, the FBHA hosted events and meetings that were attended by members and state legislators.



Partnerships



State Health Improvement Plan



BHCon Report

Total
Participation

1,377

In-Person
Exhibitors

100

Sessions (workshops
and mini plenary sessions)

58



Top 10 FBHA Member Attendance

#1 Aspire Health Partners
48 staff

#2 SMA Healthcare
38 staff

#3 Disc Village
30 staff

Operation PAR
27 staff

WestCare Florida
26 staff

Centerstone of Florida
21 staff

Chrysalis Health
21 staff

Meridian Behavioral Health
19 staff

Tri-County Human Services, Inc.
19 staff

Circles of Care
17 staff

2021 Awards of Excellence Winners

The Florida Behavioral Health Association's annual Awards of Excellence honor the best in the behavioral health workforce with a series of prestigious achievement awards. Those selected for each category are dedicated and committed individuals who live their lives supporting and assisting their clients each and every day. Each winner was recognized on stage in front of Florida's behavioral health industry during FBHA's annual conference, BHCon.

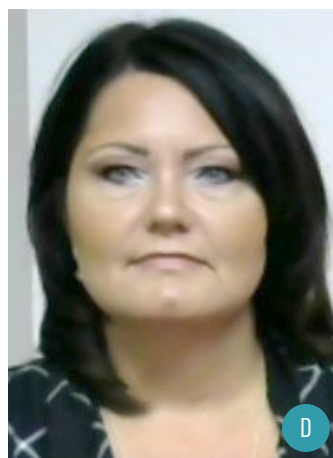


A. Joseph Wiesen

Cove Behavioral Health
(previously DACCO)
Peer/Recovery Support
Specialist of the Year Award

B. Larry McFarland

Bridgeway Center, Inc.
Supervisor/Administrator
of the Year Award



C. Wanda Stuart

Operation PAR
Clinician of the Year
Award (Youth)

D. Cynthia Creteur

Peace River Center
Clinician of the Year
Award (Adults)



E. Kelly Jenkins-Gregory

SMA Healthcare
Medical Professional
of the Year Award

F. Dr. Evalina Bestman

New Horizons Community
Mental Health Center, Inc.
Distinguished Service
Award

FBHA Staff



Melanie Brown-Woofter
President/CEO



Ute Gazioch
Senior Director of
Behavioral Health Policy



Jennifer Johnson
Senior Director of
Public Policy



Shane Messer
Director of
Government Relations



Christina Brown
Program Manager –
HealthQuest
Apprenticeship Grant



Kendra Salvatore
Director of
Membership Services



Ron Fowler
Director of
Graphic Design



Marcus Gazioch
Operations Manager/
Administrator



Traci Cash
Financial
Consultant



Linda Macdonald
Senior Medicaid
Policy Director



Mary Katherine Delegal
Director of Communications
and Public Relations



Angie Durbin
Director of Finance and
Human Resources



Ive Vintimilla
Director of Contracts &
Professional Services



Darran Duchene
Director of
MAT Services



Erik Nelson
Director of Web and
Information Technology



Stephanie Humphrey
Director of Events
& Training



Marc Weeks
Data
Manager



Cynthia Berg
Director of Research &
Practice Improvement



Rebecca Vickers
Distance Learning and
Continuing Education
Coordinator



Vanessa Addison
Director of FADAA/DCF
VIVITROL® Program



Natira Screen
Prevention and Treatment
Coordinator



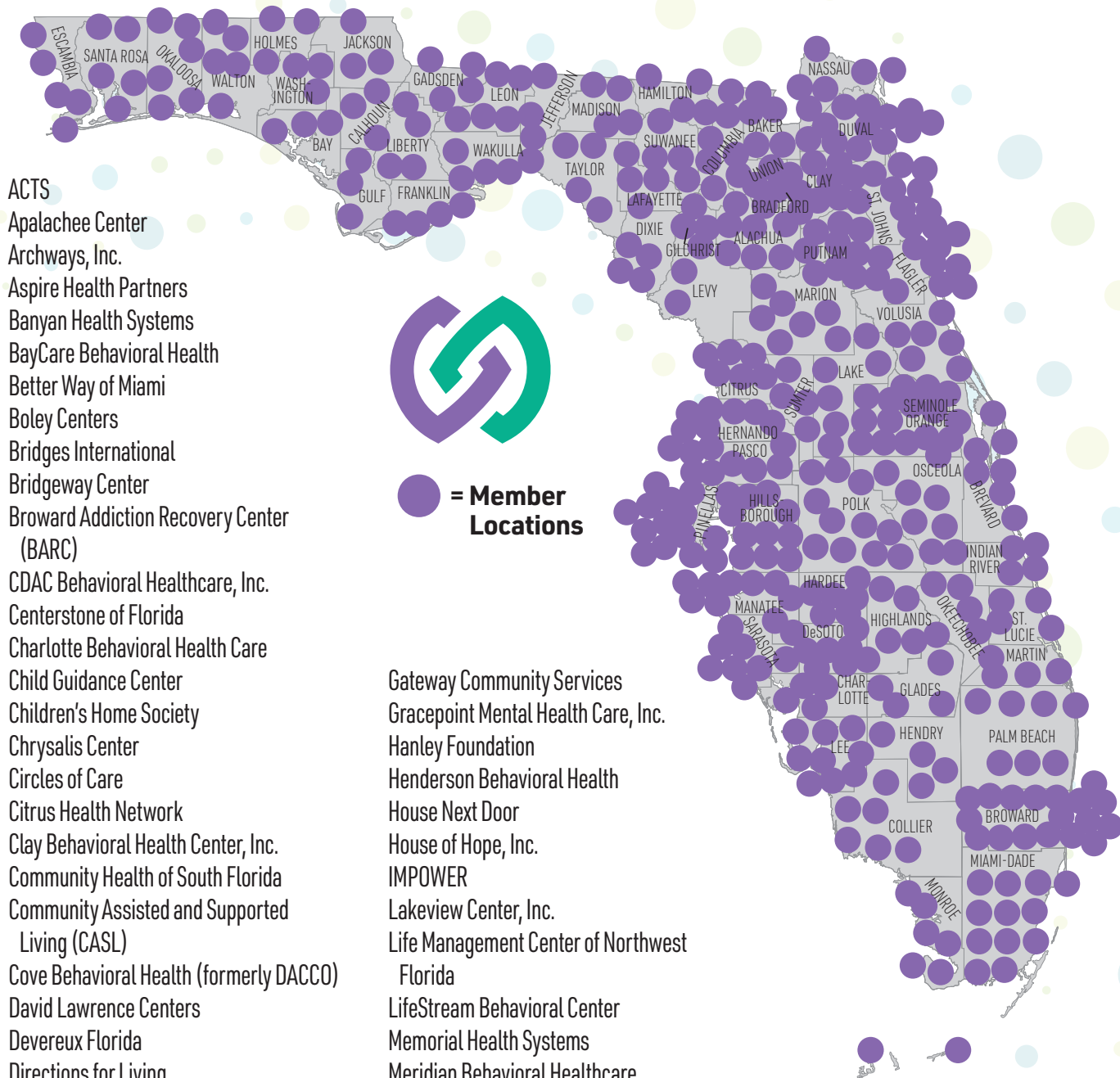
Teresa Jones
Health Services
Analyst, MAT Program



Martie Kantor
Program
Assistant



Tammy Bolen
Fiscal
Assistant



ACTS

Apalachee Center
 Archways, Inc.
 Aspire Health Partners
 Banyan Health Systems
 BayCare Behavioral Health
 Better Way of Miami
 Boley Centers
 Bridges International
 Bridgeway Center
 Broward Addiction Recovery Center (BARC)
 CDAC Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.
 Centerstone of Florida
 Charlotte Behavioral Health Care
 Child Guidance Center
 Children's Home Society
 Chrysalis Center
 Circles of Care
 Citrus Health Network
 Clay Behavioral Health Center, Inc.
 Community Health of South Florida
 Community Assisted and Supported Living (CASL)
 Cove Behavioral Health (formerly DACCO)
 David Lawrence Centers
 Devereux Florida
 Directions for Living
 DISC Village, Inc.
 Douglas Gardens Community Mental Center
 Drug Abuse Foundation of Palm Beach County
 Drug Abuse Treatment Association
 EPIC Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.
 Fellowship House
 Fifth Street Counseling Center IV, Inc.
 First Step of Sarasota, Inc.
 Florida Palms Academy
 Florida Recovery Schools

Gateway Community Services
 Gracepoint Mental Health Care, Inc.
 Hanley Foundation
 Henderson Behavioral Health
 House Next Door
 House of Hope, Inc.
 IMPOWER
 Lakeview Center, Inc.
 Life Management Center of Northwest Florida
 LifeStream Behavioral Center
 Memorial Health Systems
 Meridian Behavioral Healthcare
 New Horizons Community Mental Health Center
 Operation PAR
 Park Place Behavioral Health Care
 Peace River Center for Personal Development, Inc.
 Personal Enrichment Through Mental Health Services
 Phoenix House of Florida
 River Region Human Services
 SalusCare
 SMA Behavioral Health Services, Inc.

St. Augustine Youth Services
 Starting Point Behavioral Healthcare
 STEPS
 Suncoast Center, Inc.
 Tampa Crossroads
 The Bougainvillea House
 The Crisis Center of Tampa Bay
 The Henry and Rilla White Foundation
 The Transition House
 Tri-County Human Services
 Wayside House
 WestCare Florida



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