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Wednesday, August 26, 2026

Keynote: Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Turning Adversity to Advantage

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- Continuum of Behavioral Health for the Homeless
- Family Conflict and Divorce
- Improving Pediatric Behavioral Health Outcomes through an Integrated and Capacity Building Model
- Is Your Organization Ready for AI? Assessing Your Readiness for Digital Mental Health Tools
- Making Measurement Based Care Stick: Embedding Outcomes Measurement for Lasting Impact
- Oxford House: A Proven Path to Long-Term Recovery
- Substance Use Disorder and Maternal Mental Health: A Chronic Health Perspective
- The AI Reality Check: Trends, Failures, and the Path to Intentional Adoption
- The Relationship is Everything: Advancing Dyadic Care in Behavioral Health Systems
- Evidence-Based Approaches to Opioid Use Disorder: A MOUD Overview
- Cultivating Excellence: How Transformative (and Toxic) Supervision Shapes Counselor Growth
- Dependency 201: Things you need to know to effectively serve a child welfare involved population
- Implementing System-Wide Care for Antipsychotic Drug-Induced Movement Disorders; Presentation and Panel Discussion with Aspire Health Partners
- Medical Marijuana Legalization & Technology Impact on Youth

12:00 PM

- Don't Outsource Your Mind: Reclaiming Primal Intelligence in the Age of AI
- Instant vs Delayed Gratification and the Addicted Brain
- Take the Spotlight: Be Seen. Be Heard. Be Supported!
- "From Data to Impact: Advancing Behavioral Health Outcomes Through Analytics at Lakeview Center
- Understanding Tardive Dyskinesia: What you need to know
- The Identity Crisis of Today's Teen: Why Youth Are Turning to Substances—and How Treatment Must Change
- ASAM's Patient Placement Criteria and the GAIN
- What Autistic Clients Tell Us: Using Research and Client Feedback to Strengthen Therapeutic Outcomes
- From Housing to Belonging: Integrating the Clubhouse Model in Supportive Housing
- Integrated Community Services : Keeping Children out of Higher Levels of Care
- Co-Occurring Disorders (Dual Diagnosis Discussion – Intersection of DD and MH)
- The Illicit Drug Supply
- Why They Stay, Why They Leave: Using Mixed-Methods Workforce Research to Build Retention-Centered Organizations

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1:30 PM

- Beyond Patient Portals: The Future of Consumer Engagement in Behavioral Health
- Clinical and Law Enforcement Collaboration in Action: Strengthening Co-Response and Threat Assessment Strategies
- Delivering Impact Through Integration: How Qualifacts and Greenspace Health are Elevating Measurement-Based Care
- Training for Religious & Spiritual Competencies
- Is it Neurodivergence or is it Flight and Fight: Recognizing symptoms of PTSD in children.
- Tourette Syndrome: Connecting Brain, Behavior, Treatment, and Comorbidity
- Initiating MOUD: Best Practices in Emergency and Outpatient Care
- When Patients Walk Away: Clinician Perspectives on Motivation and AMA Discharges in Detoxification Treatment
- From Reactive to Proactive: Reimagining First Responder Mental Health Through Prevention
- Patching The Gaps: The Impact of Peer Support Integration and Innovation
- Integrating Child Welfare into Adult Behavioral Health Programs: Supporting Adult Clients While Meeting System Expectations
- The Multidimensional Family Therapy (MDFT) Lifespan Approach
- Finding who you are, when it is not who you thought you would be
- Beyond the Upgrade: How CGC's Simultaneous EHR and AI Rollout Changed the Experience of Care

4:00 PM

- Bridging Gaps, Building Frameworks: Insights from National Pediatric Behavioral Health Integration Models
- Pathways to Care: The Power of Legal and Clinical Collaboration
- Telemental Health Today: Best Practices for Virtual Behavioral Health and Addiction Care
- The interaction of Behavioral Health and the Criminal Justice Sysem
- The Next Challenge in Behavioral Health Training: Preparing Clinicians for Physical Health Comorbidities
- The Power of Shared Experience
- The Trauma Blind Spot: The Truth About Treatment Resistance
- Wired for Wellness: The Future of Mental Health Meets Technology
- Understanding AI and Its Impact on the Behavioral Health Landscape: Practical Takeaways for Those in Clinical Practice and Leadership Roles
- Empowering Florida Healthcare Organizations: Lessons from HealthARCH's Behavioral Health Integration Pilot Program
- Behavioral Health Workforce – From Staffing Crisis to Sustainable Culture
- Caring Contacts: An evidence-based initiative to prevent suicide
- Burnout is Predictable. Turnover is Preventable. Supervision Is the Solution













Thursday, August 27, 2026

Keynote: Becoming Awesome: Building a Champion Mindset

10:30 AM

- Bringing Out the Best in You: Strengthening Mental Wellness, Resilience, and Human Potential
- Care Where Trust Lives: Reverse Integration of Primary Care in Behavioral Health Treatment
- Know Science, No Stigma
- Leveraging Technology Advancements to Support CCBHC Sustainability and System Preparedness for Innovation in Florida
- Lights, Camera, Connect! Focusing on the Florida HIE
- Mindfulness-Based Interventions for Substance Use Disorders: A Translational Neuroscience Review of Craving, Neuroplasticity, and Emotional Regulation
- Working with Offenders in Recovery: Criminal Thinking Errors
- The AI Adoption Playbook: Training, Trust, and Change Management
- Cue the Music: Boley Centers & Destination Theatre's Journey of Recovery Through The Wedding Singer
- Maintaining a Healthy Professional Life: The Science Behind Self Care
- Transforming the Care Journey Through Connected AI to Support Staff and Care Delivery
- The Neurobiology of Childhood Trauma: From Brain Science to Intervention-Focused Strategies

12:00 PM

- Ask the Doc
- From Trauma-Informed to Growth-Oriented: Advancing Clinical Practice and Organizational Impact
- From Treatment to Cure: Infectious Disease Care Management Within Aspire Health Partners' CCBHC Continuum of Care
- Functional Family Therapy Across the Behavioral Health Continuum: A Family-Based Evidence Model from Prevention to Reunification
- Supporting Families of Children with DMDD
- Who Peer Supports the Peers?
- Thank You for Sharing That With Me: Regulating Clinical Affect to Preserve Emotional Safety in Behavioral Health Settings
- Fostering a Culture of Change: How Behavioral Health Organizations Can Make Technology Work for Them
- Your Brain on Science: How education empowers people in recovery
- Burnout Break: Prevention, Recovery, and Sustainable Wellness for Helping Professionals
- Statewide Prevention Committee Annual Meeting
- Understanding Vicarious Trauma: Supporting Behavioral Health Providers
- Listening for Calm: ASMR and Self-Guided Approaches to Anxiety and Stress
- People, Place & Purpose: Building the behavioral health interoperability infrastructure of tomorrow.

1:30 PM

- Compliance and Fraud Fighting for Every Provider
- De-prescribing Buprenorphine: When and How to Stop
- Director's Cut- Reverse Mentoring in Action
- Everyone Needs a Coach: An Integrated, Data-Driven Approach to Staff Training and Program Evaluation
- From Screening to Recovery: 3 Practical Strategies to Increase SBIRT Utilization Across Populations
- Growing and Retaining Peers in Florida's Recovery-Oriented System of Care
- Removing Reentry Barriers
- Prevention Starts with Belonging: Reducing Substance Use Risk Through School Culture
- Why Addiction Training Matters for All Behavioral Health Providers
- How to Use the Data You Have: Harnessing Metrics that Serve Your Mission
- Social Media vs. Social Anxiety: Understanding, Coping, and Supporting
- The Role of Epigenetics in the Counseling Field
- What's "Trauma-Informed" – Really?



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3:00 PM

- Behavioral Health Urgent Care: The Intersection of Access & Value
- Beyond Burnout: Redesigning Behavioral Health Workflows for Workforce Sustainability
- Beyond the Facts: Using Storytelling to Engage Families and Accelerate Healing in Virtual & Hybrid Addiction Treatment
- CBT for Nicotine Dependence: Better Behavioral Health and Recovery Outcomes in Clinical Practice
- How to Create the Safest Places for the Hardest Conversations with Your Teens
- Investing in the Next Generation: Mentorship as a Workforce Development Strategy for Peer Specialists
- Methadone for Opioid Use Disorder: A Cornerstone of Evidence-Based Treatment
- Regulated Adults, Regulated Kids: A Practical Co-Regulation Workshop
- How to Engage Teams and Sustain CARF Readiness Through Daily Practice
- Strengthening Families: Integrating Biological Parent Perspectives with Wraparound & Case Management for Today and Tomorrow
- What Happens When Peers Lead: Strengthening Recovery, Families, and Community Health
- Family Matters: Effectively working with Families of Youth Who Are Engaging in Delinquent Behaviors or Substance Misuse
- From Crisis to Connection: Innovative Approaches to Wraparound Care for High-Risk Youth and Families

4:15 PM

- From Burnout to Balance: Community Mental Health Survival Skills
- Play therapy application for treatment with child trauma survivors and their caregivers.
- The Main Characters: Learning from Adults' Experiences with Repeated Involuntary Baker Act Examinations
- The Power of Community Wraparound in Advancing Behavioral Health
- When Therapy and Litigation Collide: Clinical Boundaries in Court-Involved Cases
- Using Lego with Adults in Addiction Recovery programs
- Beyond Data: Turning Florida's PDMP Into an Engine for Behavioral Health Action
- Ethical Use of Artificial Intelligence in Behavioral Healthcare
- Understanding Anger: Trauma-Informed Strategies for Effective Anger Management
- Starting Inside, Supporting Outside: Bridging Incarceration and Long-Term Recovery
- Navigating SIU Audits and Overpayment Requests: Legal and Financial Strategies for Behavioral Healthcare Providers
- YOUR INTERN DID WHAT?!? Gatekeeping the Next Generation of Clinicians with Competency-based Supervision Model
- Change That Sticks: Translating Vision Into Operational Reality





Friday, August 28, 2026

Keynote: The Encore Experience™ – Transform Everyday Work into Something Worth Repeating

10:45 AM

- Emerging Psychedelic Medicines in Behavioral Health: Scientific Progress, Clinical Development, and Implementation Considerations
- Grooming Uncovered: What Every Child-Serving Professional Needs to Know
- Building Resilience: How to bounce back from major setbacks
- What to Say When Students Are Struggling: Substance Use, Coping, and the Teenage Brain

