

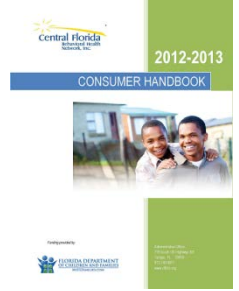


A personal note from Linda McKinnon, CEO.

E-News This Week January 28, 2013

We trust you enjoyed the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday last week, as well as the Presidential Inauguration festivities in Washington, DC.

We continue to highlight our newest CFBHN publication – the 2012-2013 Consumer Handbook - prominently on our website home page. It is an excellent resource for persons seeking service for themselves or a family member as well as for consumers who currently are accessing services. It is designed to be electronic and is also located on our Facebook page. Please share your thoughts on this new publication.



We continue our E-Meet of Board Membership this issue by profiling our President, Dr. Robert Nixon Jr. The complete Board Membership is on our website under a new tab at the top of our home page, and profiles will be housed on that site. From there you can also navigate to read the minutes of previous board meetings.

We also will soon be saying goodbye to one of our cherished organizational leaders, Mr. Larry Lumpee, Chief Operations Officer, who has submitted his intent to retire March 15. He has served as CFBHN's COO for eight years after a distinguished career in Florida state service with the Department of Juvenile Justice. Although they are certainly big shoes to fill, we are proud to announce that Larry Allen has been promoted to the position of COO. Larry most recently served as CFBHN Vice President of Innovation and Quality. His 15 years' experience directing Quality Improvement functions in various settings including managed care programs, third party service delivery systems, and provider agencies will prove invaluable in his new role. Please make sure you say goodbye to Larry L. and welcome Larry A. to his new position.

*Thanks to everyone who has visited our Facebook page and **LIKED US!** We have now reached another level and will benefit from analytics to gauge our success in meeting consumer interest. Analytics, along with your comments, will help us further refine and develop our communications. Facebook continues to be a dynamic communication vehicle. Did you know:*

- 1 in every 13 people **ON EARTH** use Facebook with half logged on any given day!



- 48% of 18-34 year olds check Facebook when waking up, 28% before getting out of bed!
- The rapidly growing 35+ demographic represents over 30% of the Facebook user base.
- 57% of people talk to people more online than they do in real life?

Along with the social connectedness provided, it is also rapidly becoming a trusted source for health information. We thank you for **LOGGING ON** and **LIKING US!** Please tell your friends and share our link.

As always this week's E-News features timely information on special events that recognize people and issues we are passionate about. I hope you will have the opportunity to participate in some of these. Here's hoping your week goes well!

CFBHN Focuses on 2012-2013 Consumer Handbook

[Electronic handbook available on our website home and Facebook pages – quick guide for consumers](#)

The handbook provides basic information for consumers and families who are eligible to receive Department of Children & Families funded substance abuse and mental health services. It provides information about the responsibilities of CFBHN as the Managing Entity for the SunCoast Region and Circuit 10 and the rights and responsibilities of those persons seeking care. Just click on the image and the Handbook will open for you.

Dr. Robert Nixon is CFBHN Board President

[E-Meet our President](#)



Dr. Robert L. Nixon Jr. is President of our twenty-two member Board of Directors. Dr. Nixon has a long and distinguished career both in Florida and New York. Born in Florida, he attended Delaware State University and Ithaca College, later attending Cornell University Graduate School of Business and Public Administration where he received his Master's in Public Administration, his School District Administrator-Permanent Certificate and his Doctor of Philosophy degree. He also completed the Harvard University Institute for Education Management program. Working in Banking and higher education while living in New York, he returned to Florida in 1977 to become a Management Professor at University of South Florida. Later he served as Assistant to the Vice President of Academic Affairs while continuing to teach at the University, retiring in December of 2007. He is currently Professor Emeritus. He has extensive community involvement including service on the Board of Directors for the Florida Education Fund for the past 15 years and has guided a significant number of FEF PH.D Fellows through their graduate programs, especially those attending USF College of Business. He has rendered countless hours of volunteer service to the Beulah Baptist Institutional Church for almost thirty years, serving as a member of the Deacon Ministry and 1st Vice Chair of the Board. He also serves on the Hillsborough County Public Schools Choice Advisory Board where he has been recognized for his dedication and service. Dr. Nixon is married to Clara and has one son, Dr. Quentin Allen and two granddaughters, Danielle and Alexandra.

CFBHN Announces Larry Lumpee Retirement and Larry Allen Promotion

[Mr. Lumpee, COO, will retire March 15 and Larry Allen is promoted to position](#)

We also will soon be saying goodbye to one of our cherished organizational leaders, Mr. Larry Lumpee, Chief Operations Officer, who has submitted his intent to retire March 15. He has served as CFBHN's COO for eight years and during that time has significantly improved processes associated with vendor/provider/funder communications as well as contract and financial management. He has 30 years of leadership experience and served as Assistant Secretary for Florida's Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). He is founder of Florida's first Juvenile Justice Council, has served on numerous Boards/Councils including a gubernatorial appointment to the Children's Board of Hillsborough County, and is a proven leader of complex organizations that deliver services/resources to youth and families. Although they are certainly big shoes to fill, we are proud to announce that Larry Allen has been promoted to the position of COO. Larry currently serves as CFBHN Vice President of Innovation and Quality where he has been instrumental in developing and implementing program evaluation instruments and protocols for determining the effectiveness of system applications, program outcome measures, process measures, and vendor/consumer satisfaction surveys. He has established Quality Specialist standards for conducting site visits to confirm the maintenances of applicable documents (insurance, licenses, staff training, and safety inspection), verification of invoice submittals, and review of consumer records. Larry has 15 years' experience directing Quality Improvement functions in various settings including managed care programs, third party service delivery systems, and provider agencies. He is a Licensed Risk Manager with a Master of Business Administration and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with a Master Degree in Social Work from Washington University in St. Louis. He holds a Bachelors of Arts Degree in Psychology from St. Meinrad College in Indiana. Please make sure you say goodbye to Larry L. and welcome Larry A. to his new position.

National Council Chooses CFBHN to Participate in Trauma Informed Care

[Vice President Marcia Monroe will take lead for network](#)

The intro webinar will be February 7 for the CFBHN team as they participate in a yearlong learning community in 2013. Throughout the year teams from across the country will communicate via list serve, webinar, or phone call but the Face-to-Face kick-off meeting will be held at the conclusion of the 43rd National Council Annual Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, April 10th and 11th. Ms. Monroe has also been invited to participate in the preconference university, "Trauma-Informed Care; Creating Safe Spaces to Facilitate Healing, Focus, and Cultural Change".

Real Home for Tampa's Chronically Homeless

[New apartments take a "housing-first" approach to helping](#)

This isn't another shelter; it is true apartments outfitted with amenities and necessities – palm trees in the courtyards, microwave ovens in the kitchens, linens on the beds and towels in the bathrooms. Tenants will be covered by vouchers from the Tampa Housing Authority for the one-year lease and there is an on-site manager who can connect them 24 hours per day to a nurse or therapist to help them stay on their medications, out of jail, and away from the emergency room. Mental Health Care of Tampa is the nonprofit partner in the project and is the recipient of the \$2.1 million in federal community development funds to buy and rehabilitate the old Villa Seville apartment complex. Cypress Landings will provide 23 units for the chronically homeless and is located just west of University Mall and is a pilot project of a new private-public partnership called Steps Forward. The county is also contributing \$317,000 for counseling and support

services. Steps Forward founders say the project promises to save money by preventing arrests, uninsured medical costs and relapses into substance abuse and mental illness. These cost savings would then be used to help families in need, children, and veterans.

Great Golf Deal Supports Veterans

Liberty Manor for Veterans is sponsoring Bill Cook Memorial Veteran Golf Tournament February 17

Tee off at 1:00 pm at the Clerbrook Golf Course in Clermont, Florida. You can scramble and bring your own team or they will organize one for you. Fee includes dinner following the event donated by Little Anthony's Italian Restaurant and many awesome prizes including 18 Four Play at top golf courses including Disney, Charity Sports Auction, and Greens Fees for only \$40! Contact Bob Corson at 353-272-9317.

Did Anyone Notice VOA Had Moved?

Volunteers of America has moved their office location but will maintain Tampa services

Their new administrative office is located at 405 Central Avenue, Suite 100, St Petersburg, 33701-3866, 813-282-1525. Stop by and say hello or visit them at www.facebook.com/voafl.

Winter Haven Hospital Board Ok's Joining BayCare

Described as a "partnership"

Winter Haven will remain a non-profit but will no longer operate on its own. Lance Anastasio, president and chief executive officer of Winter Haven stated, "This is going to be good for our community and our hospital and will secure the benefits of scale and still have significant involvement of our community." The board of trustees vote was unanimous with the medical executive staff on record saying it will be a good affiliation. The official documents defining their partnership are expected to be approved in April or May. Non-profit BayCare has 10 acute-care hospitals and one long-term care hospital in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. This would be the first in Polk. The name will stay Winter Haven Hospital with BayCare Health Systems noted on new signage.

SAMHSA PROJECT LAUNCH Grant Will Serve Children Birth to Age Eight

CFBHN will manage contracting and financial functions

Pinellas county children will have a new source of funding for services in five high need areas. SAMHSA recently awarded Florida a \$4 million plus grant for five years. The approach will be family centered, addressing substance abuse and relationship-based parenting for parents, targeted prevention and early intervention for the children, and case management to address basic needs. PROJECT LAUNCH will organize the system of care and remove barriers using evidenced based practices to serve children and families as a unit. Direct service providers that have agreed to participate include; WestCare Florida, Suncoast Center Inc., Operation PAR Inc., Childcare Inc., All Children's Hospital, Directions for Mental Health Inc., Community Health Centers of Pinellas Inc., Personal Enrichment through Mental Health Services (PEMHS), Healthy Start Coalition of Pinellas Inc., and Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas, Inc.

“Cooking Up Prevention” at Pine Island

Lee County Coalition for a Drug-Free Southwest Florida reports successful event

The January 18 event was well attended at the local Pine Island Elementary School in Bokeelia. Sponsored by Busey Bank, the Lee County Sheriff's Office, and Lee Memorial Health System, the meeting began with a spaghetti supper featuring Principal Rob Mazzoli's Secret Sauce. After supper, teens and kids were able to attend a presentation of the Evidence Based National Guard “Night Vision” prevention program with Staff Sgt. Jorge Garcia. Adults attended a panel discussion on prescription drug abuse prevention that included Kevin Lewis, Executive Director of Southwest Florida Addiction Services; Dr. Omar Rieche, Coalition Board of Directors and Lee Memorial Health System Behavioral Health Department; and other local experts on prevention. Volunteers from the Coalition Board of Directors and Street Chicks in Recovery joined community non-profits with tables including Stay Alive Just Drive, the Steve Rummier Hope Foundation, NAMI, and the Lee Memorial Health System Trauma Department.

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