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We are delighted to welcome Centerstone for this month's Member Spotlight feature.

Centerstone is a leading provider of mental health and addiction treatment services with a strong presence in Bloomington, Indiana, dedicated to improving the well-being of individuals and families ...

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Dear members, affiliate members,
partners, and key stakeholders!

My favorite season is the season of Thanksgiving. It is a time to reflect on the many blessings that life offers.

As I count these blessings the council, our staff, board, members, partners and key collaborators are among those I reflect on. To see what our staff are grateful for this season *please see pages 6 & 7.*

One of these blessings I count this week as I write this is **our veterans and their service to our country.** I know our system provides support to those who served and continue to serve our country - and our system employs a number of veterans. **Happy Veterans Day and a sincere appreciation for your service.**

Another blessing is that the Indiana Council has a **board of member CEOs.** Two new board members that were nominated by the membership are **Bill Trowbridge**, CEO of Regional Health Systems and **Suzanne Koesel**, CEO of Centerstone. At our November Board meeting our board nominated **Steve Howell**, CEO of Northeastern Center as Board Chair, **Greg Duncan**, CEO of INcompass Healthcare as Vice Chair, and **Bill Trowbridge**, CEO of Regional as Treasurer and Secretary. I look forward to working with these new board members and chair roles in achieving our vision

for the council and our members to read more about these board changes *see page 5.*

Continuing the theme of blessings, it was such a blessing to see so many of you at the **Council's Fall CCBHC Conference** in Bloomington. Thank you to our speakers, sponsors, staff and all of you who made it an informative and fun event. *To see more on this event please see page 22.*

While we were there in Bloomington our state and federal lobbyists and council staff got to visit the **Stride Center** which is Centerstone's Crisis Response and Receiving Center. We saw a mobile response firsthand. **Centerstone is our member highlight** for this fall newsletter *on pages 8 - 10.*

Along with Centerstone there have been a number of openings and service developments throughout our system this fall, and a number of these are highlighted *on pages 24 & 25.*

As I write this letter, today I am celebrating 3 years with the Indiana Council. It has been a great three years advocating for our system and we have had a lot of success and growth during this time – but none of this would be without our board, members, staff and key collaborators.



WELCOME

Your voice in advocacy is now needed more than ever since as you know we in November had an election. There will be several new state and federal leadership roles, as well as legislators. I congratulate all the leadership that won the elections and look forward to working with them. To learn more about the election, the upcoming legislative session, the Council's Pack the State House for Mental Wellbeing Legislative Day, and our Friends of the Indiana Council PAC event, *please see page 28* (more details to come).

Together we will continue to advocate for mental wellness and substance use disorder providers and those we serve. Mental health and substance use challenges impact every community in our state and country, no matter the political dynamics.

The Indiana Council looks forward to continuing our work to elevate the needs of our members and advocate for policies that strengthen our system and those we serve!

In gratitude and advocacy,
Happy Holidays!

Zoe

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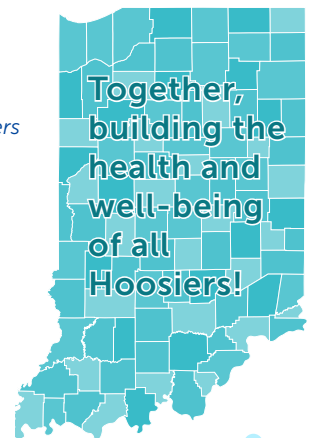
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Wishing you a joyful holiday season from all of us at the Indiana Council!

May this time be filled with peace, happiness, and special moments shared with loved ones. We are grateful for your continued support and look forward to an exciting new year ahead.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



The Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers

represents the collective interests of all community mental health centers (CMHCs) currently certified and accredited to provide community-based behavioral health services across all ninety-two counties in Indiana.

CMHCs in Indiana served over 300,000 behavioral health consumers in 2023.

CMHCs provide services primarily to those suffering from severe behavioral health and substance abuse conditions which further reduce additional costs to society by directing coordinated care to our most vulnerable citizens.

Click the image below to view / download our flyer on the benefits provided to our communities by our network of CMHCs.

How do CMHCs benefit their communities?

Indiana's Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs) provide comprehensive mental health care to persons of all ages who suffer from mental illness or substance use disorders.

- The 24 CMHCs focus on serving economically disadvantaged Hoosiers and those who typically encounter difficulties accessing care.
- The services CMHCs provide to their communities include: inpatient and outpatient treatment, crisis services, services for children and adolescents, elderly people, substance use services, residential services, peer-led services and more.
- CMHCs provide life-improving, critical mental health services to Hoosiers who otherwise might never receive care, including the economically disadvantaged, persons involved in the criminal justice system, and persons who are experiencing homelessness.

CMHCs have a positive impact on Indiana's economy.

- The overall economic footprint of CMHCs statewide is nearly \$1.4 billion.
- CMHCs directly employ 11,829 Hoosiers, and indirectly support the jobs of an additional 3,511 Hoosiers through the supply chain, and via income generated by the CMHCs.
- Every \$1.00 invested by CMHCs generates another \$0.59 in additional economic activity.
- CMHCs help improve the state's mental healthcare workforce by providing internships to graduate students to learn skills needed to work in a community mental health environment.

Total Economic Impact for Indiana
\$1,382,440,371 ANNUALLY
\$510,369,303 NOW DIRECT \$872,080,068 INDIRECT

Tax Revenue Generated
\$186 Million ANNUALLY
\$55.8 MILLION STATE & LOCAL \$50.6 MILLION FEDERAL

Employment
15,340 TOTAL JOBS
3,511 NOW DIRECT 11,829 INDIRECT

How can you support Indiana CMHCs?

CMHCs face many challenges, the biggest of which are acquiring and retaining a quality workforce, lack of adequate funding, and administrative burdens. The following measures would assist CMHCs to provide Hoosiers with more effective and timely services...

- Continue Telehealth supports, integrated face-to-face services, as during the first year of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Continue and expand the Certified Community Behavioral Health Center (CCBHC) grantee program; implement Prospective Payment System rate methodology.
- Increase Medicaid reimbursement rates to reflect the true cost of services.
- Provide incentives to work at CMHCs, such as student loan repayment or tuition reimbursement.
- Improve the licensure process by removing barriers to get a license more quickly.
- Reduce the administrative burden to CMHC staff by streamlining processes and reducing paperwork.
- Allow reimbursement of support services for consumers, such as transportation to and from the CMHC.
- Improve Hoosiers' mental health literacy to help them recognize, manage and prevent mental health and substance use disorders.

Text adapted from The Impact Of Indiana's Community Mental Health Centers by the Center for Health Policy. View / download the full report here.

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COUNCIL NEWS

Indiana Council announces new board leadership

The Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers is pleased to announce the appointment of its new board leadership team for the upcoming term.

The new leadership includes **Steve Howell** (Northeastern Center) as Board Chair, **Greg Duncan** (INcompass Healthcare) as Vice Chair, and **Bill Trowbridge** (Regional Care Group) as Secretary/Treasurer. This dynamic team will work together to continue the Council's mission of advocating for high-quality, accessible mental health services across the state of Indiana.

"We are thrilled to welcome such dedicated and experienced individuals to these key leadership positions," said **Zoe Frantz**, President & CEO. "Their commitment to advancing the mental health field and their deep understanding of the needs of our communities will be invaluable as we work to improve mental health services for all Hoosiers."

The leadership appointments come at a pivotal time for Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers, as the organization continues its work to expand access to mental health services, and transition to **Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics** (CCBHC), reduce stigma, and ensure a coordinated, statewide response to mental health challenges. The Council advocates for public policy that promotes mental wellness, and its network of member centers serves communities across Indiana, providing critical care to those in need.

"We are grateful for the dedication and leadership of our outgoing board members and look forward to the new perspectives and insights our incoming board leaders will bring," said Zoe Frantz. "Together, we will continue working toward our shared goal of a healthier, more supportive Indiana for all individuals and families."

Find out more at

indianacouncil.org



Steve Howell



Greg Duncan



Bill Trowbridge



ZOE

During this season of gratitude, I am thankful for a lot that it is hard to put in a paragraph but some of the top things are – my faith, family (including our pets) and friends. I am grateful for my work team, our members, and key collaborators that I have the true honor to work with in serving those with mental illness and substance use disorder. To have my passion and profession align is a gift that I count among my many blessings.



DENISE

I'm thankful for God blessing me with my life and surrounding me with my amazing friends, family, and Falcon. He's put his hands on my recent move to Louisville, KY where I'm grateful I can still serve Indiana from across the river. All my life experiences wouldn't be possible without the big man upstairs.



NANCY

As I reflect on the past year, I realize how much I have to be grateful for, not the least of which is a new job with great colleagues at the Indiana Council! Additionally, I'm thankful for good health, a warm house, opportunity to travel, the peace of my garden, 2 delightful cats, my close circle of lifelong friends, extended family throughout the world, and my doting husband. Wishing you and yours much happiness this Thanksgiving!



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

SYDNEY

I am grateful for my new position at the Council! It's been exciting to meet all the members, attend new crisis stabilization unit openings (I love seeing the giant scissors!) and continue to see all the great work you all are doing in your communities. On a personal note, I'm grateful for my dog Buckwheat, who helps me get moving and get out of the house! My neighborhood is also wonderful and I enjoy all the greenspace in my area, especially being able to walk to 100 Acres Park in Indianapolis. It really helps my mental health being able to be outside and connect with nature right in my backyard. I hope you all have a great holiday with your family and friends!



ANDY

I am thankful for my wife and kids, and for my "canine co-workers", my longhaired dachshunds Murphy and Ollie.

I am also thankful to work with those who make such a great difference in the lives of people across Indiana.



LEE ANN

As I look back on this year I want to share just how grateful I am for my loves that make my world go 'round every day....my two sons, Jack & Cooper.

My kids continue to teach me how to have patience, how to be resilient and the purest kind of love. I am grateful for a healthy & successful season of football (for both) and soccer (Coop) and now onto basketball! These two are a constant reminder that life gets busy, but moments with them are my everything! I can't forget my two pups Gus (pug) and Dolly (lab) who are my co-workers, but somehow get out of working everyday.

And I can't forget a shout out to the best work family...grateful & thankful for all of you! Last but not least, God has blessed us with TWO incredible seasons for both ND & IU football, and really that's one common thing that brings a lot of joy to the world....SPORTS!



**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING
TO YOU ALL!**



Stride Center - Bloomington



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Centerstone is a leading provider of mental health and addiction treatment services with a strong presence in Bloomington, Indiana. Dedicated to improving the well-being of individuals and families, Centerstone offers a wide range of services, including counseling, therapy, addiction recovery programs, psychiatric care, and crisis intervention. With a client-centered approach, their team of professionals focuses on delivering compassionate, evidence-based care to address

mental health challenges and promote long-term recovery. Centerstone also provides support for individuals managing chronic conditions, ensuring accessible and affordable healthcare for all in the Bloomington community.

Centerstone is excited to share about recent expansions in several of our service areas.

*Centerstone Staff -
Recovery Center Richmond
Open House*



Our Centerstone SUD residential treatment programs continue to expand with nine facilities, including our new recovery housing facilities in Bartholomew and Wayne Counties.

The continuum includes ASAM 3.1 and 3.5 programming. **Centerstone Recovery Centers (CRC)** provide up to 28 days of residential treatment, depending on medical necessity. We serve individuals requiring intensive treatment for addiction, including many who qualify as high-risk individuals (homeless, co-occurring diagnoses, hepatitis positive, HIV positive, pregnant, etc.)

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Columbus Centerstone Recovery Housing



Richmond Centerstone Recovery Housing

In addition, we have transitional housing options for those who complete CRC treatment. As part of our Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program, we work with clients who have been prescribed methadone by an Opioid Treatment Provider (OTP), and are in good standing with their OTP. Individuals can continue their Methadone treatment at our CRCs, while addressing recovery needs with other substances.

In October, Centerstone also received a four-year \$3 Million **HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program** (RCORP) grant serving Brown, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Lawrence and Owen Counties.

The grant will improve access to integrated, coordinated treatment and recovery services for substance use disorder, including opioid use disorder, in rural areas. The initiative enhances coordination with supportive social services and expands recovery housing, to ensure rural individuals and their families impacted by substance use disorder have the greatest opportunity for sustained, long-term recovery.

The grant also builds on Centerstone's current work with Nalox-box distribution and expands access in rural areas.

*Centerstone Staff -
Centerstone Recovery Center
Columbus Open House*





Stride Center Staff

Another area of development is with our growing crisis service continuum. Centerstone is expanding our **Stride Crisis Stabilization and Receiving Centers**, currently serving Bartholomew, Brown, Decatur, Jackson, Jennings, Jefferson, Lawrence, Monroe, Morgan and Owen Counties. A new Richmond Stride Center is slated to open in January 2025, as our third location, to serve Wayne, Fayette, Rush, Randolph, and Union counties.

Centerstone's Stride Centers provide a safe place for people experiencing a mental health or substance use crisis. Connecting people to local care and recovery resources, Stride Center services can be accessed directly by people in need, first responders, law enforcement, hospitals, social workers and concerned community members. Stride Centers provide diversion for individuals 24/7 and work closely with **Centerstone's Rapid Response Treatment Team** and Mobile Crisis Response Teams.

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Designated in: **BARTHOLOMEW, BROWN, DECATUR, FAYETTE, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JENNINGS, LAWRENCE, MONROE, MORGAN, OWEN, RANDOLPH, RUSH, UNION, WAYNE**

Also serving: **CLARK, DELAWARE, HENRY, JOHNSON, MARION, PUTNAM, SCOTT**



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ISC PARTNER FEATURE



*ISC group at Indiana Council
Fall Conference (l to r:
Mannix Smith, Greg Poplarski
– One America, Bill Leitner)*

ISC Group, Inc. understands that Community Mental Health Center employees are often too busy serving the needs of their communities to adequately plan for their own futures. That's why ISC offers specialized retirement planning advisory services designed to support these dedicated professionals. By taking the time to understand the unique demands of their roles, ISC Group provides tailored retirement solutions that promote financial security and peace of mind.

Their team of experts works closely with each employee, offering personalized guidance and strategic planning to help them achieve their retirement goals.

ISC Group's commitment to excellence and deep understanding of the Community Mental Health sector make them an invaluable partner for mental health centers looking to provide comprehensive retirement benefits to their staff.

For more information contact Mannix Smith or Bill Leitner @800-888-03520

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Latest news

DMHA / New Process for Adding Staff –Training Dates

Beginning Dec. 16, 2024, Hab/FST/Respite agencies must follow a new process to add authorized providers to their agency.

The CMHW team and our partners at Roeing will offer two training dates for the new process. This online training will be a live walk-through of the process with detailed instructions and opportunities to ask questions. You only need to attend one of the two training sessions. Training will also be recorded and made available, along with an instruction manual, for those who cannot attend.

Who should attend: hiring manager(s) or the people in your agency responsible for submitting resumes and applications to DMHA.

Tuesday December 10 / 2 – 3 p.m. EST

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 228 173 265 593

Passcode: uNydGB

Thursday December 12 / 10 – 11 a.m. EST

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 220 739 082 132

Passcode: 2ty9YM

Please submit any questions or comments to DMHAYouthservices@fssa.in.gov.

TITLE 440 DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION

Notice of Public Hearing LSA Document #24-429

Under **IC 4-22-2-23**, notice is hereby given that on December 16, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Conference Room 3 – Wabash Hall, Indianapolis, Indiana, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction (division) will hold a public hearing on adding rules at **440 IAC 12** concerning mental health referral programs established under **IC 33-23-18**. The division seeks comment on the affected citations listed and any other provisions of Title 440 that may be affected by this rulemaking.

The purpose of this hearing is to receive comments from the public prior to consideration of adoption of these rules by the division. All interested persons are invited and will be given reasonable opportunity to express their views concerning the proposed amendments.

If the division does not receive substantive comments during the public comment period or public hearing, the rule may be adopted with text that is the same as or does not substantially differ from the proposed rule.

The public may attend the division's meeting in person or join remotely by Zoom.

The Zoom link can **be found here**.

Copies of these rules are now on file at the Division of Mental Health and Addiction, 402 West Washington Street, Room W451, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection and copying.

STATE UPDATES

Marketplace Plans Issues

Members have been reporting an issue with clients being signed up for Marketplace plans that do not exist. Indiana has been hit particularly by this. Below are some tips and resources to assist with addressing this issue:

1. **Call Fraud Line - 1-800-318-2596**
 - Staff can call with clients in order to terminate plan.
2. **Medicaid members do not need marketplace plans**
 - This can limit a client's access to services.
3. **Beware Marketplace plans with E7E prefix**

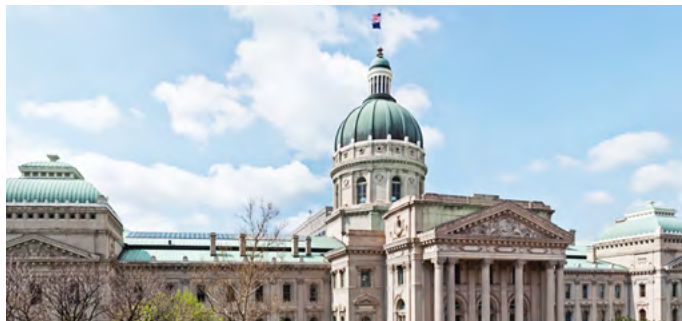
Resources

- Press Release: [CMS Update Actions to Prevent Unauthorized Agent and Broker Marketplace Activity](#)
- [CMS Fraud in the Marketplace](#)
- [Protect from Fraud and Scams](#)
- [HHS Consumer Fraud in Health Insurance Marketplace](#)

DCS updates:

Community Based RFP is open which is different than master contract – DCS: Current requests for proposals – Due December 11th – Family preservation is included in this.

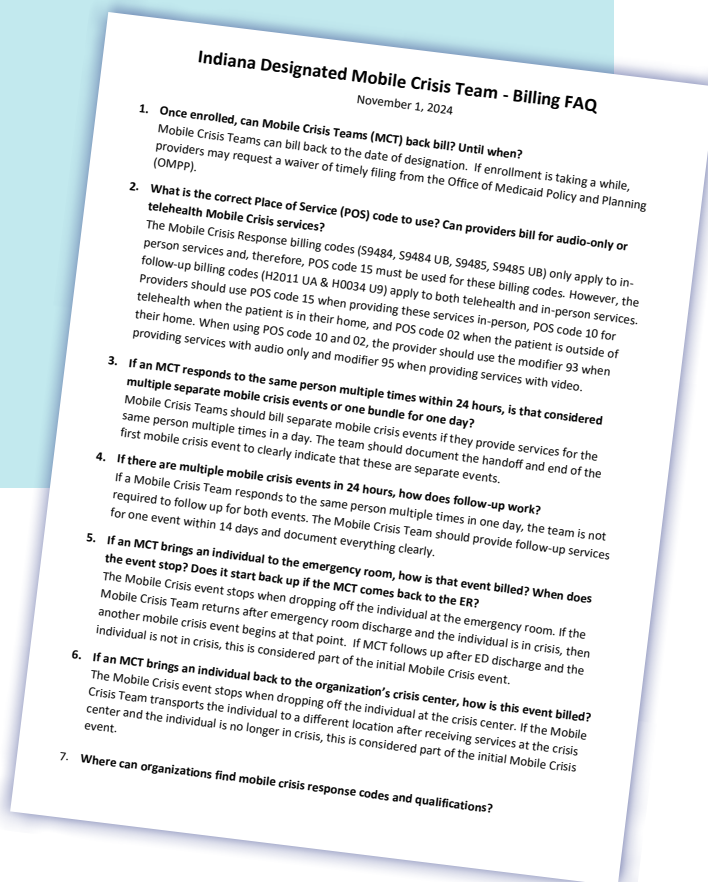
[More information here:](#)



Indiana Designated Mobile Crisis Team - Billing FAQ

We have an update to the FAQ document for mobile crisis billing.

[Click here to read more or click the image](#)



HHS Launches Health Workforce Website and Releases Workforce Report

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has launched a [Join the Health Workforce website](#), which highlights support available through HHS for those who are interested in joining or the health workforce or advancing within it. HHS also released a new report, [“Health Care Workforce: Key Issues, Challenges and the Path Forward.”](#)

This report describes some of the challenges facing the health workforce, including undersupply, uneven distribution and administrative burden, as well as how the COVID-19 pandemic exacerbated some of these challenges. The report also summarizes information about the supply and distribution of several major components of the health care workforce, including behavioral health workers, physicians and direct care workers.

CY2025 Physician Fee Schedule (PFS) and Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) Final Rules have each been issued and will come into effect on January 1, 2025. Thank you so much for all your work in providing feedback and submitting comments this summer.

In light of planned National Council member communications regarding election updates this week, we will provide an initial update on PFS and OPPS final rules in Capitol Connector this Friday and we will provide all members with a longer, detailed memo next week summarizing key finalized provisions.

In the meantime, regarding **the PFS Final Rule**, the following links to CMS’ [press release](#), [fact sheet](#), and [final rule page in the Federal Register](#). Some highlights concerning policy changes from the final rule include: extension of some telehealth flexibilities permitted under CMS’ authority absent Congressional action, updated payment for social determinants of health risk assessments as a part of Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) intake activities furnished at Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs), establishment of a



new add-on code to account for coordinated care, referral services, and peer supports at OTPs, payment for safety planning intervention and post-discharge follow-up, establishment of six G codes that mirror current interprofessional consultation CPT codes used by practitioners who are eligible to bill E/M visits, and recognition of responses to CMS’ request for information on Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics.

For **the OPPS Final Rule**, the following links to CMS’ [press release](#), [fact sheet](#), and [final rule page in the Federal Register](#). Some highlights from this final rule include: maintenance of the PHP and IOP rate structures, narrowing the definition of “custody” in Medicare’s payment exclusion rule to mitigate barriers to Medicare access by individuals who have recently been released from incarceration or are on parole, probation, or home detention, and changes to Medicaid regulation allowing states implementing the Medicaid clinic services benefit to cover clinic services outside the “four walls” of behavioral health clinics.



SAMHSA Unveils Homelessness Awareness Month Toolkit

November is both **National Homelessness Awareness Month** and **National Homeless Youth Awareness Month**.

The **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration** (SAMHSA) collaborates with national experts and federal, state and local partners to provide training on housing, treatment and recovery models. These efforts focus on supporting adults, children, and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness and facing serious mental illness, serious emotional disturbances, or substance use challenges.

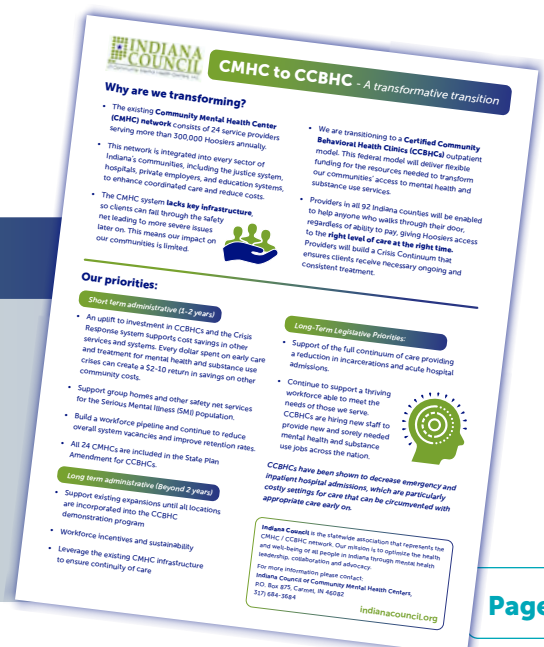
To highlight and uplift these efforts, SAMHSA has developed a **Homelessness Awareness Month Toolkit**, complementing the existing **Homeless and Housing Resource Center** and agency repository of **Homeless Programs and Resources**.



CMHC to CCBHC - A transformative transition

Indiana Council has produced this useful flyer with a summary of talking points to help explain the transformation from CMHC to CCBHC.

Click to view / download the flyer here



HRSA- 25-067

Graduate Psychology Education Program (GPE)

The purpose of the Graduate Psychology Education Program is to train doctoral health service psychology students, interns, and postdoctoral residents in integrated, interdisciplinary behavioral health.



The program will prepare trainees to provide behavioral health services, including trauma informed care and substance use disorder prevention and treatment, in community-based primary care settings in high need and high demand areas. Developing health service psychology faculty is also a key aspect of this program.

Eligibility: You can apply if you are an accredited doctoral, internship, and/or post-doctoral residency program of health service psychology (including clinical psychology, counseling, and school psychology). Your training program must be accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency, approved for such purposes by the U.S. Department of Education.

Types of domestic organizations that may apply:

Clinical Institutions

- Hospitals
- HRSA-funded health centers and FQHCs
- Rural Health Clinics
- Other community-based clinical settings

Current and Prior GPE Recipients

- GPE recipients with funding that ends on 7/31/24 can apply as a 'Competing Continuation' applicant
- Previous GPE recipients whose funding ended before June 30, 2022, should apply as a 'New' Applicant

Entity Types

- Public institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofits with or without a 501(c)(3) IRS status
- State, county, city, township, and special district governments, including the District of Columbia, domestic territories, and freely associated states
- Native American tribal governments
- Native American tribal organizations

* Eligible organizations may apply in partnership with an accredited training program. You must provide supporting documentation from each organization in Attachment 4, in addition to the program accreditation documentation in Attachment 1. If you are applying as a consortium, all members must be independently eligible for this program.

General Information

Performance Period: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028

Expected total available FY 2025 funding:
\$22,800,000

Number of awards: 50 awards

Funding range per award: Up to \$450,000 annually for the three-year period of performance

Dates to Apply: 10/22/2024 – 01/21/2025

Estimated Award Date is by 7/01/2025

For more information click here

FEDERAL UPDATES

HRSA-25-068

Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training Program for Professionals

The purpose of the Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program for Professionals is to increase the supply of behavioral health professionals and improve the distribution of a well-trained behavioral health workforce. The program has a specific focus on understanding the needs of children, adolescents, and young adults at risk for mental health, trauma, and behavioral health disorders.

The BHWET Program for Professionals prepares the workforce by emphasizing interprofessional team-based models of care, integrating behavioral health training in primary care settings and recruiting a diverse workforce interested in serving high need and high demand areas. The program also invests increasing the number and training of clinical supervisors

Program Requirements:

- Provide stipend support to students who are in their final experiential training (internship or field placement) prior to graduation for no less than six consecutive months and no more than 12 consecutive months (or 24 months for part-time students).
- Enhance didactic and experiential training activities that develop trainee competencies in behavioral health and its integration into primary care, school settings, and other sub-specialty care for the development and implementation of interprofessional training (two or more health disciplines).
- Create or enhance current evidence-based interprofessional training programs for faculty and field site supervisors supporting BHWET Pro trainees.
- Incorporate technology integration by providing options for distance learning, didactic and experiential training activities, and tele-behavioral health services, and by increasing digital health literacy.
- Establish relationships with community-based partners to assist students with job placement after graduation.

Eligible Applicants

Accredited institutions of higher education with field placement programs in mental health; accredited doctoral, internship, and post-doctoral residency programs in health service psychology; accredited master and doctoral degree programs in social work.

* FQHCs, RHCs, and Hospitals can apply in consortium with one of the above.

* Your training program must be either:

- Accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency, as specified by the U.S. Department of Education, or
- Approved by a state or tribal government to provide a behavioral health-related training program

* Academic-clinical partnerships and consortia are also eligible to apply. All entities applying for an award, including consortia members, must be independently eligible for this program.

General Information

Performance Period: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029

Expected total available FY 2025 funding:

\$59,600,000

Number of awards: 101 awards

Funding range per award: Up to \$600,000 annually

Estimated Award Date is by 7/01/2025

For more information click here

Child & Adolescent Committee

The C&A committee meets next week and has two speakers joining! Indiana Spark is joining to share resources available to families CMHC's service, in addition to professional development and coaching to CMHC's. David and Austin with Department of Child Services will be joining to discuss DCS collaboration, programming, and the upcoming RFP.

Data Analytics committee

Indiana Council Committee Update

CCBHC Pilot Site vs. Non-Pilot Site Considerations:

As we continue to navigate the evolving landscape of healthcare, it's crucial to consider the unique challenges and opportunities presented by CCBHC pilot sites versus non-pilot sites. Key areas of focus include:

- **Data Development and Sharing:**
 - o Explore strategies for seamless data sharing between CCBHC pilot sites and non-pilot sites
 - o Identify potential data collection challenges and develop solutions to mitigate risks for all

By proactively addressing these considerations, we can maximize the benefits of CCBHCs and improve the overall health and well-being of Hoosiers.

Indiana Data Analytics Committee Updates:

- **Committee Status:** Currently the Data Analytics Committee and the Quality Committee are two committees aimed at addressing the data needs for the CCBHC data metrics. There is a need to decipher and provide the scope of both committees. So, the plan is for the Data Analytics Committee to review with Indiana Council



Leadership and The Quality Committee Chairs.

- **Current Status:** All 24 Agencies, DMHA & IPHCA have members actively engaged in the committee.
 - o Call to Action: Review membership and engagement callouts to be sure to review agenda items and invite ad hoc members to the meetings to make them impactful for all
- **Recent Changes:** The Data Analytics committee is now only being held Monthly on the third Friday at 9am EST.
 - o *Action Item Reviews:* We will discuss action items moving forward to ensure that committee members know what information to share with their leadership and organization post each call.

Data Governance Framework:

- **Progress:** More will come to start this conversation and generate tracker protocols
- **Milestones:** TBD
- **Challenges:** TBD

Call to Action: We encourage all committee members to submit agenda items for the next meeting. Please share any topics or issues you'd like to discuss. Your active participation is crucial to the success of our data governance initiatives. Let's continue to work together to improve data quality, security, and accessibility for the benefit of our state.

GRANT UPDATE

Grant Update

Funds for our active grants continue to flow to the Indiana Council and our CMHCs. Group home grant funds are providing much needed renovation to existing facilities, as well as funds for new buildings.

Claims for COVID mitigation are still being issued to cover costs for PPE, testing, and supplies.

The Bridge Grant quarterly claim for the 3rd quarter of 2024 will be sent to the state during the first week of December.

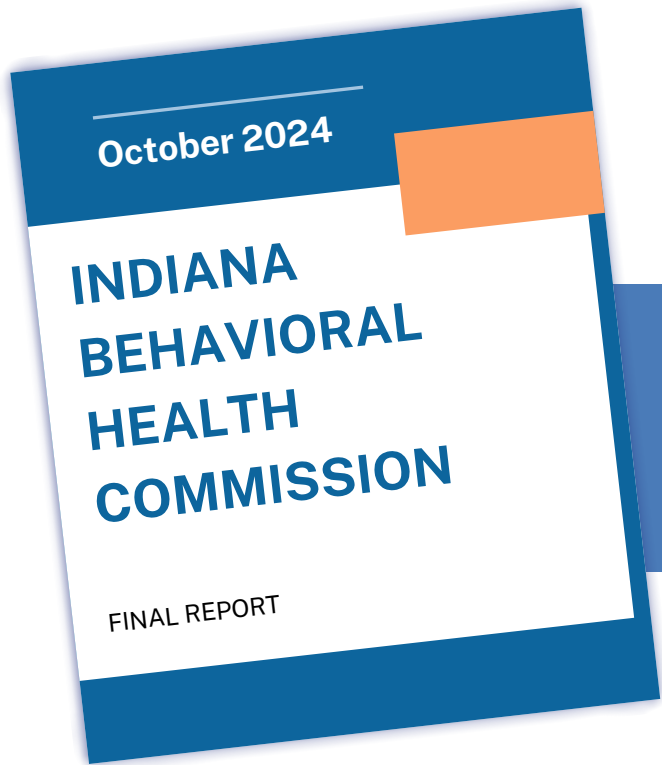
Additionally, we have exciting news regarding the Humana grant to share - see over the page!



Click here to Contact Andy

Together building the health and well-being of all Hoosiers!

Click the image to view / download our 2025 Public Policy Platform document



Click the image to view / download the Indiana Behavioral Health Commission Final report

Boston University to Provide Behavioral Health in Aging Certificate to CMHC Staff



As Indiana Council has mentioned in recent meetings and conferences, we've received a grant from Humana to provide training to CMHC employees to assist in working with our aging population in Indiana.

We are proud to announce today that we have partnered with the **Center for Aging & Disability Education and Research (CADER)** at Boston University (BU) to provide a **Behavioral Health in Aging Certificate** to front line staff, OBHPs, and any other staff that a center may want to complete the certificate.

Per BU, "This five-course certificate program will deepen health and human services workers' understanding of the major mental health conditions and substance use concerns facing older adults as well as the importance of promoting mental wellness, and resilience. Attention will be paid to the importance of screening, assessment, and evidence-based interventions."

The courses for this certificate are **FREE** to CMHCs and will provide 22 CE hours. Again, there are no costs to CMHCs for this program. The goal for the Indiana Council is to have a minimum of 350 of our CMHC staff members earn this credential through December 31, 2027, with at least 5 from each center completing the program, though there is ample funding to provide the certificate to more than 5 per center.

Program Overview

- Typically, if a learner dedicates 2-3 hours/week to the coursework they will complete in 6-9 months
- All coursework is online and self-paced, with one year provided to complete the courses
- Initial cohort will start coursework in January 2025, with others able to enroll and start on a rolling basis after the initial cohort begins

Indiana Council will host an informational Zoom meeting on November 21st with CEOs and center HR staff to provide more details regarding the timeline, enrollment process, and other information. I will send an invite for that meeting soon. Additionally, Indiana Council will host a meeting with our BU partners on December 16th, with program enrollment and orientation starting soon after. Please start considering what staff/roles you would like to participate in this certificate program, as we feel it is a great opportunity to earn this free professional development certificate and learn essential skills for working with our aging population in Indiana.

Opposite is a flyer, and you can click below for links regarding the program and coursework:

- **CADER/NCOA Behavioral Health in Aging Certificate Program**
- **CADER/NCOA Behavioral Health in Aging – Courses**

If you have any questions before the November 21st meeting, please let me know. We will look forward to discussing this opportunity in more detail soon!



CADER's [Behavioral Health in Aging Certificate](#) enhances understanding of the major mental health conditions and substance use concerns facing older adults as well as the importance of promoting mental wellness and resilience. The certificate provides knowledge and skills related to screening, assessment, and evidence-based interventions.

The Details:

- Online, self-paced, five course certificate program
- Number of CE credit hours: 19
- Technical support is available to all learners by contacting CADER

For Organizations:

For organizations interested in enrolling staff in the certificate program, CADER can offer:

- Group pricing
- A live orientation webinar
- Participant tracking reports
- Supervisor Guides
- Program Evaluation and Customized Features (for additional costs)



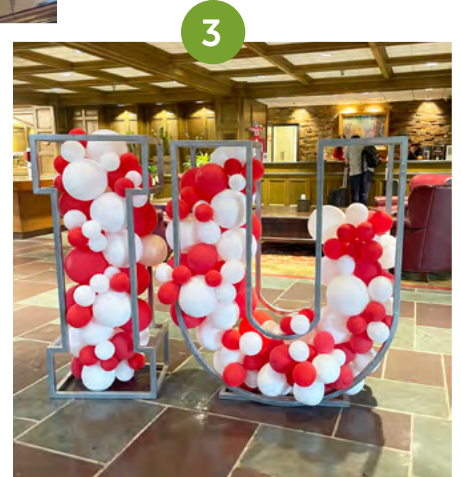
"Wonderful certificate. I feel I have so much more to offer my clients and families now. There is so much valuable information included I found myself reading articles and watching the videos suggested. I enjoyed every minute spent."

Scan the QR code to view the course on our website



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Center for Aging & Disability Education & Research

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1 – Indiana Council staff having fun on Indiana University campus

2 – Members in attendance

3 – Members in attendance

4 – IU logo at Student Union



FALL CONFERENCE



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5 – Katy Adams having fun bowling at our reception

6 – Indiana Council staff bowling under the lights (Zoe Frantz, Andy Zellers, Denise Wade, Lee Ann Jordan, Sydney Moulton, Nancy Henry)

7 – Indiana Council CMHC CEO's at the Friday Business meeting

8 – Exhibitors at Fall conference in Bloomington

9 – Zoe Frantz presenting Jay Chaudhary with a thank you gift for his service with the State and collaboration with Indiana Council over many years



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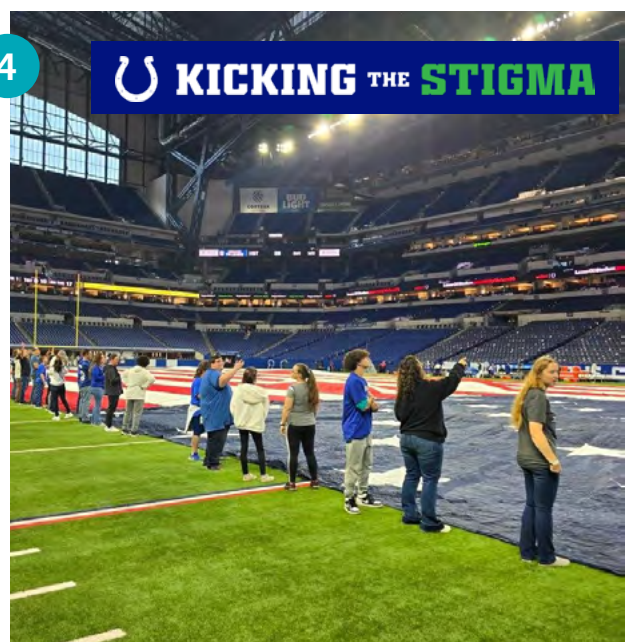
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Some positive news!

- 1 Congratulations to **Hamilton Center**'s CEO, Mel Burks on his 40 years of service with Hamilton Center
- 2, 3 – Congratulations to **Oaklawn** on their opening of their new Crisis Center
- 4 **Southwestern Healthcare** staff had the opportunity to help bring the American flag onto the field prior to the Colts/ Dolphins game on October 20th. This was a part of the **Colts' Kicking the Stigma** campaign
- 5 Southwestern staff at the Indiana Colts game



POSITIVE NEWS!

- 6 Dr. Ashley Overley at the opening of Eskenazi's crisis center opening
- 7 Doug Huntsinger speaking at Eskenazi's crisis center opening
- 8 Staff cutting the ribbon at the opening of Eskenazi's crisis center
- 9 Indiana Council staff tour the Stride Center in Bloomington
- 10 Stride Center staff along with Indiana Council staff
- 11 Southwestern staff Becky Glines (left) and Marissa West (Communications/ Foundation Coordinator) at a recent Junior Achievement Job Spark event on November 7 and 8. They had the opportunity to interact with local Evansville and surrounding area 8th graders, some traveling as far as Linton, Indiana (1.5 hour bus ride) to explore career opportunities in behavioral health.



• Numbers show head office locations. • Click provider logos to visit their sites



1 Adult & Child

603 E. Washington St. – 9th Floor,
Indianapolis IN 46204

Designated in: **MARION, JOHNSON**



2 Aspire Indiana Health, Inc.

9615 E. 148th St., Noblesville, IN 46060

Designated in: **BOONE, HAMILTON, MADISON, MARION**
Also serving: **GRANT**



3 Bowen Health

2621 E Jefferson St, Warsaw, IN 46580

Designated in: **HUNTINGTON, KOSCIUSKO, MARSHALL, WABASH, WHITLEY** Also serving: **ALLEN, DEKALB, LAGRANGE, NOBLE, STEUBEN**



4 Centerstone of Indiana, Inc.

645 S. Rogers Street, Bloomington, IN 47403

Designated in: **BARTHOLOMEW, BROWN, DECATUR, FAYETTE, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JENNINGS, LAWRENCE, MONROE, MORGAN, OWEN, RANDOLPH, RUSH, UNION, WAYNE**
Also serving: **CLARK, DELAWARE, HENRY, JOHNSON, MARION, PUTNAM, SCOTT**



5 Community Fairbanks Behavioral Health

8180 Clearvista Pkwy, Indianapolis, IN 46256

Designated in: **MARION, HANCOCK, SHELBY**
Also serving: **MADISON, JOHNSON**



6 Community Fairbanks Behavioral Health – Howard

322 N. Main St, Kokomo, IN 46901

Designated in: **CLINTON, HOWARD, TIPTON**



7 Cummins Behavioral Health Systems, Inc.

6655 East US 36, Avon IN 46123

Designated in: **HENDRICKS, PUTNAM**
Also serving: **BOONE, MONTGOMERY, MARION**



8 Edgewater Systems for Balanced Living, Inc.

1100 West Sixth Avenue, Gary IN 46402

Designated in: **LAKE** Also serving: **PORTER, LAPORTE**



9 Family Health Center

515 Bayou Street, Vincennes IN 47591

Designated in: **DAVISS, KNOX, MARTIN, PIKE**



10 4C Health

401 E. 8th Street, Rochester, IN 46975

Designated in: **CASS, FULTON, MIAMI, PULASKI**
Also serving: **CARROLL, CLINTON, GRANT, MARSHALL, TIPPECANOE, WABASH HOWARD, TIPTON, WHITE**



11 Hamilton Center, Inc.

620 Eighth Avenue, Terre Haute IN 47804

Designated in: **CLAY, GREENE, PARKE, SULLIVAN, VERMILLION, VIGO**
Also serving: **HENDRICKS, MARION, OWEN, PUTNAM**



12 INcompass Healthcare

285 Bielby Road, Lawrenceburg IN 47025

Designated in: **DEARBORN, FRANKLIN, OHIO, RIPLEY, SWITZERLAND** Also serving: **DECATUR, FAYETTE, HENRY, JEFFERSON, JENNINGS, RUSH, SCOTT, UNION, WAYNE**



13 LifeSpring Health Systems

460 Spring Street, Jeffersonville IN 47130

Designated in: **CLARK, CRAWFORD, DUBOIS, FLOYD, HARRISON, JEFFERSON, ORANGE, PERRY, SCOTT, SPENCER, WASHINGTON**



14 Meridian Health Services

240 N. Tillotson Avenue, Muncie IN 47304

Designated in: **DELAWARE, HENRY, JAY**
Also serving: **ALLEN, FAYETTE, HOWARD, LAPORTE, MADISON, MARION, RANDOLPH, RUSH, ST. JOSEPH, TIPPECANOE, WAYNE**



15 Northeastern Center, Inc.

220 South Main Street, Kendallville IN 46755

Designated in: **DEKALB, LAGRANGE, NOBLE, STEUBEN**



16 Oaklawn Psychiatric Center, Inc.

330 Lakeview Drive, Goshen IN 46527

Designated in: **ELKHART, ST. JOSEPH**



17 Park Center

909 East State Boulevard, Fort Wayne IN 46805

Designated in: **ADAMS, ALLEN, WELLS**
Also serving: **HUNTINGTON, WHITLEY**



18 Porter-Starke Services

601 Wall Street, Valparaiso IN 46383

Designated in: **PORTER & STARKE**



19 Radiant Health

505 N. Wabash Avenue, Marion IN 46952

Designated in: **GRANT, BLACKFORD**



20 Regional Health Systems

8555 Taft Street, Merrillville, IN 46410

Designated in: **LAKE**



21 Sandra Eskenazi Mental Health Center

720 Eskenazi Avenue, Indianapolis IN 46202

Designated in: **MARION**



22 Southwestern Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.

415 Mulberry Street, Evansville IN 47713

Designated in: **GIBSON, POSEY, VANDERBURGH, WARRICK**



23 Swanson Center

7224 W. 400 N., Michigan City IN 46360

Designated in: **LAPORTE**



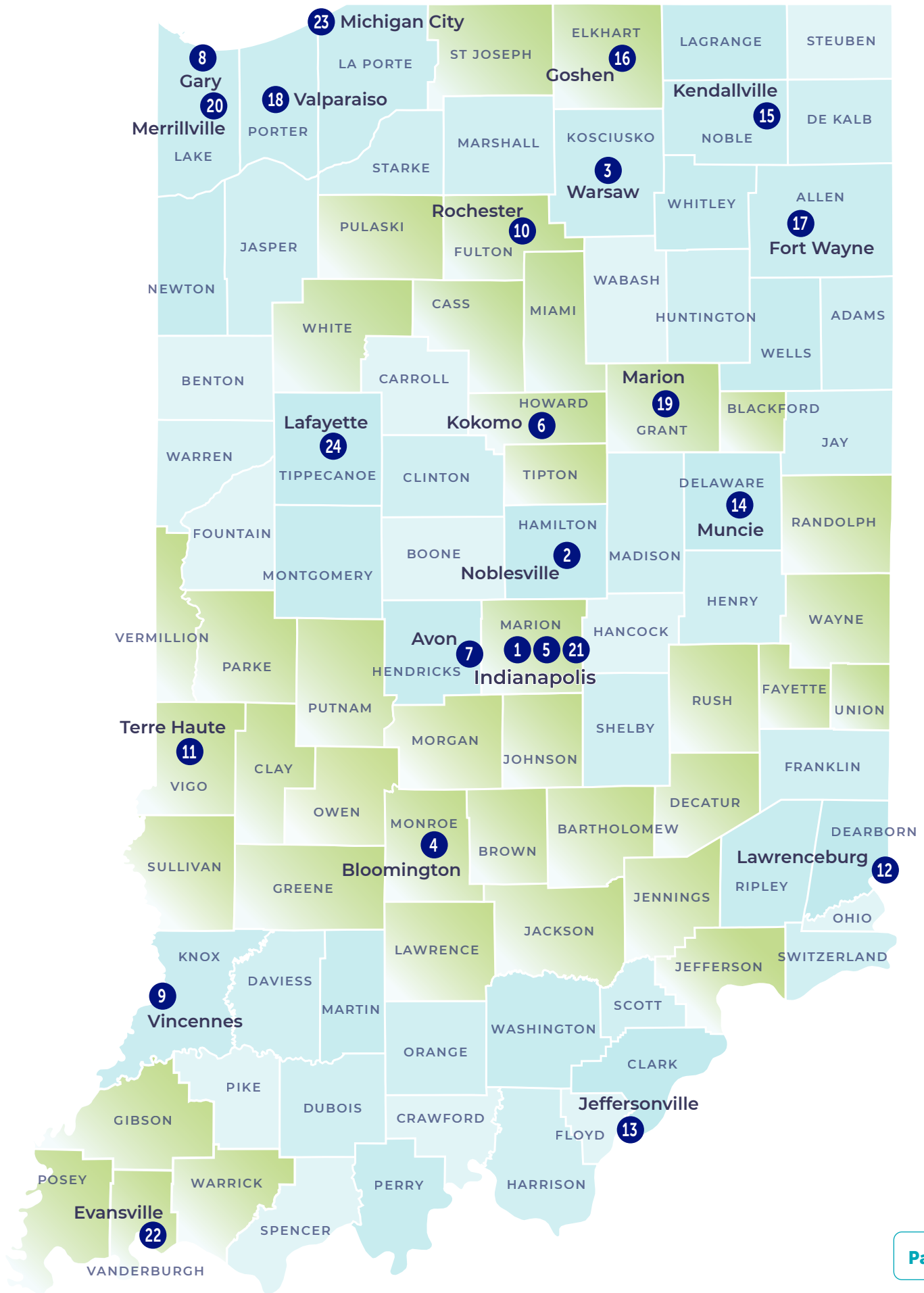
24 Valley Oaks

415 N. 26th Street, Lafayette, IN 47904

Designated in: **BENTON, CARROLL, FOUNTAIN, JASPER, MONTGOMERY, NEWTON, TIPPECANOE, WARREN, WHITE**

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Calendar 2024/25 Save the dates!

Cup of Joe with Zoe

Half hour State leader meet and greet with our members and partners. Second Tuesday of every month at 8:30am EST via Zoom.

UPCOMING DATES:

DID YOU KNOW? -

You can watch past Cup of Joe meetings on YouTube -

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[>> Click here for Zoom link](#)

Meeting ID: 210-953-5684
Password: ICCMHC

Mark your calendar for February 10 - more details to come!



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