

TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

Our regular digest to keep the DBHIDS team updated on all news, events and highlights

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Philadelphia IDS Fashion Show

Intellectual disAbility Services hosted a [Fashion Show](#) on March 2. March is Intellectual Disabilities Awareness Month. The concept of this exciting event (Fashion for All) was to celebrate the abilities of the wonderful individuals that we serve, who participated as striking runway models. The individuals, as well as IDS and community agency staff, presented couture and finely tailored garments on the runway provided by talented fashion designers. The fashion show took place at Community Behavioral Health, and clothing was provided by: Zinman Furs, Baldwin Fashion Institute, Ameenah Designs, Synta Shades of Elegance, Gwendolyn Dawan Fashionable Clothing, Lubna's Closet. The Fashion Commentator for the event, Ms Stephanie Cain -- fashion specialist, represents Zinman Furs.



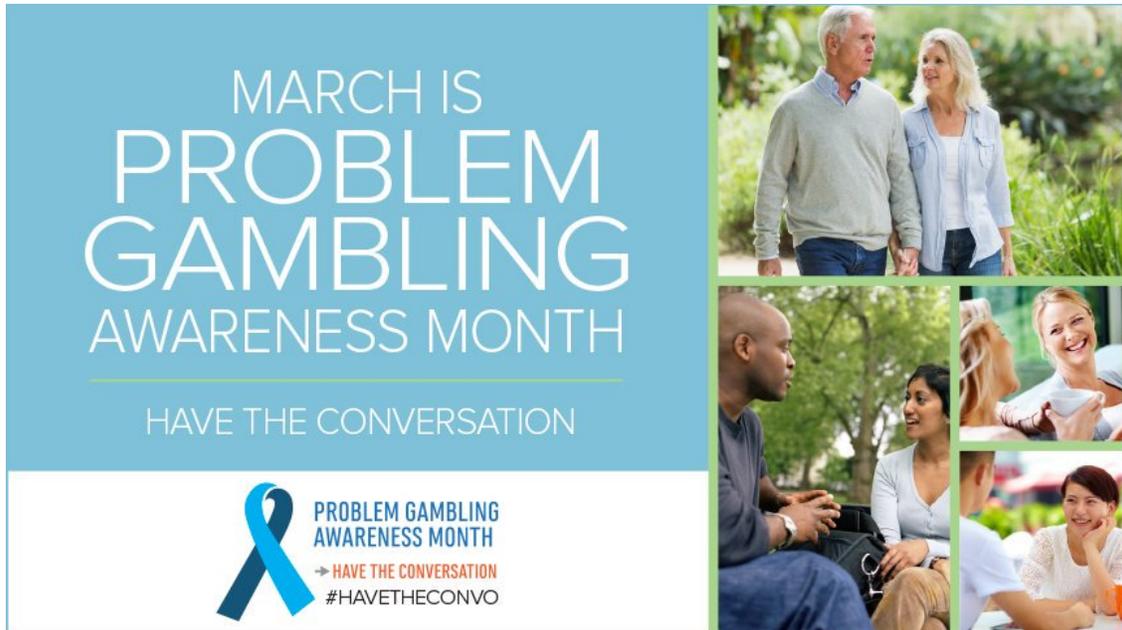
Empowerment the Goal for 2017 FSA Conference

DBHIDS, Faith and Spiritual Affairs, the Mayor’s Drug and Alcohol Executive Commission, and Behavioral Health Training Education Network are pleased to sponsor the [11th annual Faith and Spiritual Affairs conference](#) “Empowering Families and Communities: Addressing the Opioid Epidemic.” The conference will provide workshops and poster presentations from some of the foremost authorities in the addiction field. Topics will include evidence based treatments, inclusion of spirituality as part of treatment, med management and family empowerment.



Monica Lewis-Wilborn Joins DBHIDS

We are excited to announce that [Monica Lewis-Wilborn has joined the DBHIDS team as the Director of Communications](#). Monica brings a breadth of leadership experience in communications from several prominent charitable organizations in the Philadelphia area. DBHIDS’ acting Commissioner David T. Jones stated, “I am confident that Monica’s areas of expertise, which include media relations, social media marketing, project and event management — and both public speaking and presentations — will advance not only the Communications Department, but all of DBHIDS.” She will be sitting with the rest of the Communications team on the seventh floor of 1101 Market, so please stop by to meet her and give Monica a warm DBHIDS welcome!



Raising Awareness About Problem Gambling

March is Problem Gambling Awareness Month. Last week, [Gov. Wolf signed a proclamation confirming the need to spread awareness](#). During the month of March, DBHIDS' Office of Behavioral Health will host a social media campaign highlighting the myths and facts associated with problem gambling. They will also share blogs with our system in hopes of raising awareness. If you are a problem gambler and need help, call **1-800-GAMBLER** for free, confidential, and anonymous support. For more information on DBHIDS' Gambling Initiative contact [Tamika Harvey](#).



Blog Highlights Eating Disorders Awareness Week

To raise awareness during Eating Disorders Awareness Week Feb. 27, HealthyMindsPhilly.com posted highly personal blog entry written by NAMI Philadelphia Affiliate Office Coordinator Carly Banes. Her post gave this harrowing condition a familiar face. Titled "[Quieting My Inner Critic](#)," the post touches on Carly's personal story and her brave battles with eating disorder. Be sure to give it a read!

Are YOU interested in blogging for HealthyMindsPhilly? [Connect](#) with Health Promotion with any topic that interests you!



Innovative Peer-Support Toolkit Launched

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, DBHIDS launched the [Philadelphia Peer Support Toolkit](#) at an event held at City Hall. Stakeholders from across the city came to witness the unveiling. The toolkit presents promising practices and tested tools gleaned from more than a decade of pioneering work by providers, peers, and other stakeholders in Philadelphia's behavioral health system. With a fun to use, interactive format, the toolkit provides a wealth of practices and tools that will help agency leaders bring peer support services to their treatment organizations or increase the effectiveness of their current peer support services. The interactive format allows you to easily access the content you want when you want it!



Alma Jean Taylor's Retirement Celebration

Alma Jean Taylor, MSW, LSW, ACSW, recently enjoyed her retirement celebration held Feb. 22. For all those in attendance and anyone who was unable to attend this festive occasion, you can relive the experience by viewing [a slideshow of images from the party](#).



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