

July 2022

FEATURED NEWS



The Harris Center Receives 3-Year CCBHC Renewal

The Harris Center is pleased to announce another three-year renewal as a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC). This accomplishment helps pursue The Harris Centers goal of becoming the most innovative behavioral health system in the country.

Being a CCBHC enables The Harris Center to better provide a comprehensive range of mental health and substance use disorder services to vulnerable individuals.

A Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) is a specially-designated clinic that provides a [comprehensive range of mental health and substance use services](#). The CCBHC model alleviates decades-old challenges that have led to a crisis in providing access to mental health and substance use care.



Feeding Disorders Program Featured by International Association

The Harris Center's Feeding Disorders Program was featured in the [International Association of Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing newsletter](#). The Clinic helps individuals who struggle with food and/or liquid refusal, texture or type selectivity, general mealtime problem behavior and refusal to self-feed, all of which can result in difficulty maintaining their nutritional status. Feeding therapy provides an evidence-based behavioral approach to address all these concerns. Our Feeding Disorders Program is effective and here to serve individuals in and beyond Harris County.



Integrated Family Planning Opioid Response Program's Day of Awareness

Harris County Public Health has partnered with the Harris Center and the Texas Clinic to combat the opioid epidemic in Harris County. This program will provide Medication

Assisted Treatment (MAT) services, counselling, recovery coaching, and mental health services.

The Integrated Family Planning Opioid Response (IFPOR) program implements prevention, treatment, and recovery support strategies. We offer a comprehensive approach, which includes opioid overdose prevention and education, connecting patients to opioid treatment and recovery services, as well as providing overdose reversal education and Naloxone (Narcan).

Please help spread the word about the IFPOR CARES, a free event to learn how to prevent opioid overdose and connect loved ones to care.

**July 30, 2022, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
United Way of Greater Houston
50 Waugh Drive,
Houston, Texas 77007**

[Learn More about IFPOR](#)



Administrative Fellowship Program Webinar

Join Bianca Daswani, MHA, MBA, for a presentation and Q&A session on The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD's Administrative Fellowship Program.



**Friday, August 5, 2022, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM CDT
Tuesday, August 23, 2022, from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM CDT**

Administrative Fellowship Program Webinar

Our Administrative Fellowship Program offers one recent graduate with a one-year opportunity to learn about leadership and management in a community-based regional organization that delivers mental health and IDD services to Harris County. Interested in learning more about this program? Join us virtually on August 5th from 12PM-1PM CDT and August 23rd from 4PM-5PM for an information presentation and Q&A session presented by our first Administrative Fellow, Bianca Daswani.

[Register](#)

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT



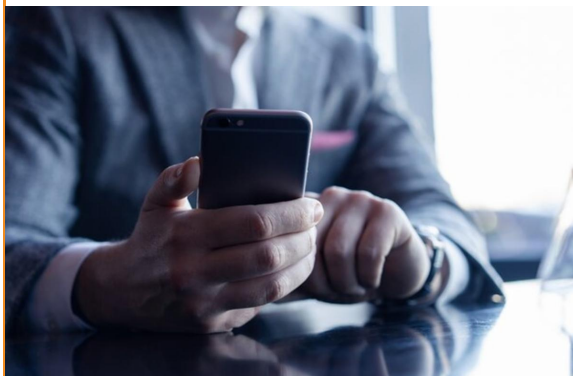
Crisis Residential Unit (CRU) at Caroline and Southmore

Short-term residential alternative to hospitalization, CRU provides medication, psychotherapy and intensive psychosocial rehabilitation to promote re-entry into the community. Individuals participate in group therapy in the following areas: problem solving, communication, life skills, chemical dependency education, cognitive behavioral interventions, acceptance and commitment therapy techniques, anger management and trauma informed care. Residents are also eligible to receive individual therapy.

[Watch the Video](#)

IN THE MEDIA

Community Impact News



[New mental health crisis line, 988, launched in Texas](#)

July 18, 2022

People in need of mental health support in Texas and across the United States can now call or text a new three-digit number: 988.

American Hospital Association

[988: Transforming America's Behavioral Health Safety Net](#)

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The Harris Center for Mental Health and Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities is one of the local centers and answers 38% of all Lifeline calls in Texas. When fully implemented, the 988 number will transform our crisis system.

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In The Media: A range of Texas agencies travel to Uvalde to assist community

July 7, 2022

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) continues to coordinate with Hill Country MHDD Centers and The Harris Center to operate the dedicated mental health hotline to support Uvalde residents.



MORE INFORMATION

Do you want to learn more about The Harris Center?

Visit our website to learn more about our programs and services or view our [FY2022-2024 Strategic Plan](#) to see how we're working to transform lives in Harris County and beyond.

[Visit The Harris Center's Website](#)

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