

Transforming Lives

(formerly MHMRA of Harris County)

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To Whom It May Concern:

As the designated Local Mental Health Authority for Harris County, The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD maintains a Medicaid and Medicare Interested Provider Listing for the patients whom we serve.

The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD serves Harris County residents, adults, and children, who are chronically and severely mentally ill. For adults, service eligibility is primarily concentrated in the diagnoses of Schizophrenia, Bipolar Disorder, and Major Depression (severe), or another diagnosis with Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF) under 50 at initial intake and needs ongoing mental health services. For children, service eligibility is based on mental health diagnosis, severity of symptoms, and level of functioning. As many of these patients become stable or reach baseline, The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD Services assists them to find other providers in the community to continue their treatment.

Medicare and Medicaid providers who are interested and experienced in treating chronically and severely mentally ill adults and children are invited to let us know of their interest for inclusion on a provider handout for our patients. Please complete the letter of interest located on our website at https://www.theharriscenter.org/business-opportunities titled **Medicaid/Medicare Provider Interest** Form and return all information to The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD Continuity of Services Department.

The Interested Provider List will be given to our stable patients when they are ready to transition out of our care or to new clients wanting to choose a provider other than The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD. The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD will assist patients until they have connected successfully with an outside provider.

Thank you,

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