

2011 Excellence Award Winners



THE DURHAM CENTER WINS 2011 EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR ACCESS

ASSESSMENT TEAM: The Assessment Team conducts independent comprehensive clinical assessments for uninsured, State and County-funded Durham County citizens seeking mental health and/or substance abuse services with the goal of rapidly and accurately evaluating and effectively connecting them to the appropriate service based purely upon clinical and medical necessity.



THE DURHAM CENTER WINS 2011 EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR CRISIS RESPONSE OPERATED BY FREEDOM

HOUSE: Durham Center Access (DCA) is the gateway to all of the local MH/DD/SA services that are part of Durham System of Care. It has successfully reached its service goals to reduce State hospital utilization, support community-based treatment, coordinate with outpatient providers to maximize consumer benefit and

continuity of care in crisis events, stabilize the consumer and reintegrate them into the community, and assist individuals with accessing care who are not engaged.



EAST CAROLINA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WINS 2011 EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR BEST PRACTICE:

The Outreach Wellness City is designed to provide the evidence based practice of wellness recovery action planning (WRAP) education and peer support opportunities for adults living in small towns and remote areas of Eastern North Carolina.



EAST CAROLINA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH 2011 EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR HEALTHY HEADS UP PROGRAM: The Healthy Heads Up (HHU) program is funded by a Kate B Reynolds grant written by the Martin-Tyrrell-Washington (MTW) District Health Department with encouragement from East Carolina Behavioral Health (ECBH). Kathleen Devore, MTW Health Director, pursued the grant in an effort to increase MTW's promotion of healthy lifestyles to include mental health wellness and stability.



JOHNSTON COUNTY MH/DD/SA AUTHORITY WINS 2011 EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR THE STELLAR PEEER RECOVERY CENTER: The Stellar Peer Recovery Center is designed and operated by individuals in recovery. The center offers a faith-based, safe and accepting place for anyone in need of peer support, recovery education, or just good conversation.



ORANGE PERSON CHATHAM AREA AUTHORITY WINS 2011 EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR PRO BONO COUNSELING NETWORK: The Pro Bono Counseling Network launched in January 2009 under the umbrella of Mental Health America of the Triangle, with OPC Area Program providing key input in design as well as funding. Mental health professionals are mobilized to provide counseling services on a pro bono basis to

those who fall into the gap between our communities' most severely disabled and the privately insured.



PATHWAYS LME WINS EXCELLENCE AWARDS FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS AND ADVOCACY FOR THE MONDAY COFFEE BREAK NEWSLETTER: In September 2006, Pathways LME began publishing the Monday Coffee Break, a weekly newsletter designed to provide the most up-to-date information about topics within the MH/DD/SA service system that affect the local community and its citizens.



SOUTHEASTERN CENTER FOR MH/DD/SA AND COASTAL HORIZONS CENTER WIN 2011 EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR PREVENTION OUTREACH AND WELLNESS: Coastal Horizons Center (CHC) has a proven track record of successful prevention, outreach and wellness programs in the eastern region of the state. They are skilled at identifying risk groups, reaching individuals to provide testing, linking HIV-positive

individuals with health care and case management resources, and providing on-going support.