



ViaQuest Behavioral Health GAZETTE

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VBH welcomes Program Director, Brenda Burris

Brenda will be overseeing the programs for our homes in Miami and Montgomery Counties.

Prior to her current role at ViaQuest, Brenda was the founder and director of Project Provide, a non-profit organization that assists the homeless and indigent of inner city Dayton, OH. Brenda also has experience in the rehabilitation of incarcerated juveniles.

Brenda, a single mother of five, is an upcoming graduate of Wright State University with her Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology.

She will be working out of the Vandalia, OH office.



Brenda Burris

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VBH North Youth Homes Updated

The Youth Homes in our North Region, Johnnycake, Payne and Eagle have a great team! Program Director Ashley Harland, and SSC's Melvina King, Jamicia Smith and Brenda Pozo each lead their homes along with the awesome service professionals that make up the family of supports for our youth. Summer 2009 holds so many possibilities. Employment opportunities for the young adults we serve, a Camp-cooperative with Quest for Independence Painesville, our Annual Picnic in Mentor, and Cedar Point Day in May.

The VBH North 8th Annual Picnic is June 26th 11a-5p. It's a wonderful day of sun and fun at Daniels Park in Mentor. You're invited!



ViaQuest Behavioral Health receives 3 –Year CARF Accreditation

CARF International announced that ViaQuest Behavioral Health has been accredited for a period of three years for case management services for all of the Ohio operations.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable.

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through

a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.



VBH welcomes Dr. John Johnson to the ViaQuest family

With great pleasure and gratitude, VBH would like to inform the ViaQuest family of a new addition to our family. Dr. John Johnson, a Psychiatrist from Access Ohio has come on board to help improve medication management for the individuals we serve. He has been with our agency since January 2009 and has been a great addition to the ViaQuest Behavioral Health of Ohio Central region team.

Dr. Johnson comes to the Medina site location twice a month where he meets with all of our individuals to discuss behavioral issues, provide treatment options, and give support

to the service team as a whole when needed. He has been extremely flexible with his schedule and has been acknowledged as being a leader in his field. We at VBH are happy to have Dr. Johnson with us and look forward to a long working relationship with Dr. Johnson as we continue to make VBH the provider of choice.

Hope House

Since the year 2000 ViaQuest Behavioral Health has operated community based Group homes for adolescents with various behavioral issues, including issues related to sexuality. The program uses a cognitive behavioral approach and thinking errors. These homes have helped many youth learn to deal with the problems that have caused their behavior to be inappropriate. Once successful with the program these youth move to a less restrictive placement in the community.

VBH has a new home opening in Cincinnati. It is called Hope House. It is licensed by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and is ready to accept referrals. Hope house serves five adolescent boys with developmental disabilities, mental

health issues and a history of behavioral problems. This home will keep staffing levels of three staff for five youth during peak times with two staff overnight. With the high staffing levels the home can meet the needs of boys who have significant behavioral issues.

For more information about these services or to inquire about new services that are needed contact Mitch Snyder at mitch.snyder@viaquestinc.com or at 937-280-2000 or Will Harris at will.harris@viaquestbh.com or at 937-280-2000.



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