CHR at a Glance

ANNUAL QUALITY OF CARE REPORT - 2017
OUR MISSION

CHR’s mission is to help adults, children and families find Real Hope for the challenges of Real Life through an array of community-based mental health, substance use, child welfare, supportive housing, foster care, prevention and wellness services, and integrated care. Our name embodies our commitment to community-based care, instilling hope for a healthy, happy and productive future, and utilizing all available resources to achieve change. CHR is proud to provide services that achieve Real Quality with Real Results.

24K
Number of clients served by 823 total staff!

33K
Calls to the Assessment Center!

32
Locations in CT offering more than 80 unique programs!

2
Number of years CHR ranked in the top 2 of all large employers in the TopWorkplace Survey!*

*We are the only behavioral healthcare provider to receive this distinction!
CHR’s Inspiring Story

Nothing tells a story like numbers. After more than 50 years of helping individuals, families and children throughout Connecticut achieve health and recovery, CHR has some impressive numbers to share. We hope you enjoy this report and the snap shots of our recent achievements.

No doubt, we had our challenges, particularly with regard to diminishing state support. Traditionally, we have relied on state grant funding to help provide intensive services for the most seriously ill individuals. Despite the cuts, CHR continued to grow and thrive. We were once again named one of the state’s top 2 workplaces among large employers according to the annual Hartford Courant survey and we expanded critical services to address the opioid use crisis.

Going forward, we will continue to seize new opportunities for growth to best meet the needs of the individuals we serve and we will continue to rely on the wonderfully generous donors and supporters who have strongly supported our mission through the years. Thank you so much for your continued support!

Sincerely,

HEATHER M. GATES,  
President & CEO

LAURA TORDENTI,  
Chair, Board of Directors
Aggressively Addressing the Opioid Use Epidemic

CHR swiftly mobilized new and expanded programs to help Connecticut address the opioid use crisis. We are now among a select few healthcare agencies to offer all three options for Medication Assisted Treatment and always offer clients a full range of support services to enhance their recovery.

4 locations offering complete care for opioid use addictions, including Medication-Assisted Treatments and comprehensive support.

3 CHR locations, Manchester, Bloomfield and Putnam, now offering ear acupuncture to enhance substance use treatments.

CHR is 1 in 4 agencies statewide offering MAT to young adults through Multi-dimensional Family Therapy, an evidence-based, DCF funded program.

3x’s increase in individuals seeking treatment for opioid use addictions in recent years.

19K number of smiles all CHR therapy dogs have caused and counting!
Of all the overdose deaths in Connecticut in recent years, an alarming number – 43% – occurred among men and women who were recently released from prison. In an effort to address this disparity, CHR is working with the Department of Correction and the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to launch innovative programs to ensure that people with opioid use addictions begin treatment during their incarceration and that their care will continue once they reenter communities and begin new lives.

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Individuals served through CHR’s Outpatient Clinics in FY 2017 expressed widespread satisfaction with the services they received:

- **99%** of active adult substance use patients were satisfied with their experience at CHR.
- **96%** of adult substance use patients say they were treated with respect.
- **87%** of adults receiving substance use services from CHR programs in FY 2017 believed that these services had contributed to reductions in their symptoms and to their recovery.

My life was spiraling out of control. I was heavily addicted to opioids and was close to becoming homeless. A family member gave me information about CHR. I finally made an appointment and it was the best thing I’ve ever done. For the first time in a long time, I saw light at the end of the tunnel. Thank you to all of the CHR staff who have helped me and continue to support me.

- J.R., CHR client

Working to Reverse Trends

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Expanding Services for Children & Teens
CHR is committed to helping children, teens and families overcome trauma and learn lifelong skills that promote resiliency and health. We offer a wide range of outpatient, residential and community-based programs to help today’s children thrive, including many evidence-based practices.

13 programs offered in communities to help children and families.

100% of all CHR behavioral healthcare staff at Charter Oak Health Center are bilingual and bicultural.

9 new school-based clinics run by CHR licensed therapists and growing.

5 trauma-focused evidence-based treatments offered in CHR’s Child Outpatient Practice.

94% of all families whose children received care at CHR reported that staff were sensitive to their cultural/ethnic background.

93% of children and youth who received a response from CHR’s Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services during FY 2017 were diverted from hospitalization for their psychiatric issues.

92% of all families surveyed from CHR’s community-based programs said they were satisfied with the services their child received.
I was very overweight and I live with mental health issues. My doctor referred me to CHR because they offer primary care and mental health services to treat the whole person. Now, mentally, I feel back on track and physically, I feel and look like a different person! They taught me how to cook healthy meals and manage my stress through yoga. I’m so grateful to my Whole Health team, thank you.

-T.M., CHR client

CHR is pursuing a variety of innovative ways to help our clients obtain quality primary care and wellness services, along with expert care for mental health and substance use challenges. In addition, CHR is partnering with primary care practices in the region including Charter Oak Health Center and First Choice Health Centers, to bring vital behavioral health services into medical offices.

CHR is managing the state’s largest Behavioral Health Home and coordinating complete care for more than 1,250 adults with serious mental illness and chronic medical conditions.

50% reduction in high blood pressure among adults who participated in wellness programs at CHR for more than 6 months.

Next: CHR will expand services in its Bloomfield site to include primary care and holistic medicine, in partnership with Charter Oak Health Center.

56 participants in CHR’s new trauma-informed yoga class in Manchester.

This program is made possible by CHR and a grant from the H. Louise Ruddell Charitable Fund, part of the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving.
Guided by compassion and respect, CHR transforms lives by offering hope. CHR’s Executive Management Team is directly responsible for ensuring this happens. As experts in their respective fields, each brings years of training and experience to providing the highest standard of quality services.

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CHR Unveils New Giving Levels

CHR introduced new giving levels in 2017 and at the same time, announced two pacesetting gifts at the highest level! The first two gifts at the “Be a Hero,” level were from entrepreneur Phil Tartsinis, of Enfield, and the law firm of Shipman & Goodwin LLP, and are providing lead sponsorships for CHR’s 2018 fundraising events.

“We are so grateful to Phil Tartsinis and Shipman & Goodwin for their inspirational support to CHR and our mission,” said CHR’s President and CEO, Heather Gates. At the end of 2017, a third “Be a Hero,” gift was announced: CHR’s Executive Management Team.

Many more opportunities are available to support CHR. To learn more, please contact Maureen McGuire, Vice President of Business Development, Communications and Marketing at mmcguire@chrhealth.org or visit www.chrhealth.org.
Why do you support CHR?
CHR provides vital services to people in our community who are struggling with addictions or behavioral health challenges. Moreover, the services are not only high quality but delivered at a lower cost. My company manages property for the Enfield outpatient site so I’ve had the privilege of seeing first-hand what CHR can do. I’ve seen people completely transform their lives. With the right help, people can turn their lives around and recover.

What message would you like to share with other individuals or businesses who are considering supporting CHR?
Now more than ever, we need to band together as a community to address healthcare issues like the opioid use crisis.

These issues affect the entire community and CHR is leading the way with new treatments and adding programs like primary care. It’s important that the community understands the work CHR does and the positive impact it makes every day.

What are some of the other ways you support the community?
I’m involved with the North Central Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Directors for Johnson Memorial Hospital and Trinity Health of New England, along with other civic groups in my area. I support first responders and local police and firefighters. I’m part of the community and want to see our area continue to move forward.

Giving Highlights
It was a beautiful day in September 2017 for CHR’s 10th annual Golf and Tennis Outing. The event was chaired by CHR Board member Cy Hess of West Hartford and the tennis outing was chaired by Phil Rockwell of Simsbury, Lisa House of Avon and Dilip Rangnekar of West Hartford.
In May of 2017, CHR moved its longstanding 5K run to a new venue: Great River Park in East Hartford and renamed the event, “CHR’s 1 in 5,” to align with the fact that one in five Americans will need the services of a behavioral healthcare provider in their lifetime. The event was a big success, raising more money than any previous 5K!

A big THANK YOU to our friends with TeamMAD (Making a Difference) who organized the nation’s first half marathon racing against a steam engine during the Steam Train Half Marathon in October of 2017. The event was a huge success, drawing runners from across the country!
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On behalf of all our clients and staff, thank you!

10th Annual
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- $35 Million
- $14 Million
- $3 Million

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- $41 Million
- $7 Million
- $4 Million
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