



West Central Behavioral Health

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**West Central Behavioral Health Announces Integrated Care Program**

Claremont, NH – West Central Behavioral Health, the community behavioral health center for the Upper Valley and Sullivan County, NH region, announces its launch of an Integrated Care program to begin serving clients at its Claremont clinic on March 3, 2022.

Integrated Care will allow certain West Central clients who otherwise are not able to access primary medical care to do so at our 52 West Pleasant Street adult clinic in Claremont.

Integrated Care allows West Central clinicians to work with a dedicated primary care medical practitioner to meet our clients' needs for medical and behavioral healthcare in a coordinated fashion using a team-based approach. West Central will work with Keady Family Practice of Claremont to offer medical care in coordination with West Central's behavioral healthcare clinicians to treat the whole person, especially in situations where our clients do not otherwise see a medical doctor.

This co-location of medical care onsite with our behavior health services will allow for a more informed understanding of our client's medical conditions as they may effect their mental health and vice versa. This coordination of care will enhance diagnosis and treatment options to improve the quality of life of our clients.

*West Central Behavioral Health is the non-profit community mental health center for the Upper Valley and Sullivan County regions of NH. It ensures access to advanced counseling, treatment, and support for people of all ages and income levels. Its vision is to eliminate the stigma associated with mental illness and substance use disorders so people will seek out help when they need it most. With locations in Claremont, Lebanon, and Newport, NH, West Central offers adult outpatient services, child & family services, substance use services, 24/7 mobile crisis response services, and residential services. The NH Rapid Response Access Point hotline toll free crisis number is: 833-710-6477. Learn more online at: [www.wcbh.org](http://www.wcbh.org).*