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Welcome to the February edition of Brighter Days! As we step into a new month, we're reminded that hope and support are always within reach. We're excited to share a special milestone and an important recognition of one of our dedicated employees. Plus, a reminder that our 24/7 crisis services are here whenever you need them. Thank you for being part of the Brien Center community—together, we're creating brighter days for all.



CBHC Celebrates 2 Years of Success

We are thrilled to announce that the Community Behavioral Health Center (CBHC) has officially celebrated two years of success! Since its opening, the CBHC has been providing comprehensive, community-based mental health and substance use services to individuals across Berkshire County. This milestone marks a significant achievement in expanding access to care for people in need of crisis intervention, outpatient therapy, and support services. Over the past two years, the CBHC has been a critical resource, offering immediate support and helping individuals navigate their recovery

journeys with personalized care. Whether through our Mobile Crisis Intervention (MCI) teams, substance use treatment, or mental health services, the CBHC has been instrumental in promoting wellness and hope within the community. We are excited to continue building on this success as we work toward expanding services and helping more individuals access the care they deserve. **If you or someone you know needs help, our 24/7 crisis services are here for you. 800-252-0227**

Dr. Gina Coleman Receives Prestigious Peacemaker Award

This year, the MLK Jr. Day of Service Committee announced that Gina Coleman, Director of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging at the Brien Center, was selected to receive the 2025 Peacemaker Award. Gina was honored at the Northern Berkshire MLK Jr. Day of Service Luncheon on Monday, Jan. 20, 2025. The Peacemaker Award is given annually to an individual or group in Northern Berkshire who has made substantial contributions to promoting peace and fostering understanding in the region. This honor recognizes individuals who work tirelessly to build tolerance, empathy, and community unity. Gina has been a dedicated advocate for diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging providing training to local organizations on addressing bias and promoting acceptance. She serves on the boards of MCLA, BAiT, and the Berkshire Music School, and plays a key role in organizing the annual Juneteenth Celebration Concert. Additionally, Gina is a founding member of the Williamstown Diversity, Inclusion, and Racial Equity Committee and contributed her musical talents to the Black Legacy Project in 2021. This project was a collaboration among local musicians to record songs significant to the Black community, fostering unity and understanding through music. Gina's ongoing dedication to making a difference and promoting peace and understanding within our community is truly inspiring. We are incredibly proud of her accomplishments and are excited to see her honored with this well-deserved recognition!



Why You Should Consider a Career at the Brien Center

At the Brien Center, we believe that mental health is just as important as physical health, and we're committed to making a difference in our community by providing support, care, and hope to those who need it most. But we can't do it alone—we need passionate, dedicated individuals to join our team and help us in our mission.

Join Us Today!

If you're looking for a career where you can truly make an impact, grow professionally, and work with a compassionate team, the Brien Center is the place for you. With our new and improved benefits, supportive environment, and meaningful work, we're ready to help you thrive. Join us in our mission to improve mental health, provide critical support services, and help those in need take the first steps toward recovery.

Are you ready to make a difference? Apply today and help us build stronger, healthier communities.

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