

Riverside Community Care

Leading the Way in Behavioral Healthcare & Human Services

CARE Awards Celebrate Resilience & Dedication



Over 200 community members recently gathered at the Newton Marriott for the 2025 CARE Awards, celebrating the achievement of those we serve, the dedication of our staff, and the contributions of friends of Riverside. From inspiring stories of personal growth to powerful reflections on recovery and advocacy, the evening was filled with heartfelt moments that energized everyone in attendance.

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Building Dignity & Belonging: Positive Behavior Supports



Positive Behavior Supports is enhancing care across Riverside through a compassionate, three-tiered framework that honors dignity, autonomy, and individuality. By meeting people where they are, our staff creates environments where everyone can thrive authentically. Read how we blend data-driven insights with heart-centered care, honoring each person's unique story, strengths, and aspirations.

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Lt. Governor Driscoll Visits Riverside in Norwood



We were honored to welcome Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll to a Riverside Group Living Environment in Norwood, where residents with mental health challenges develop life skills in a stable, supportive community. The visit included meaningful discussions about the need for funding continuum-of-care programs and the positive impact of Chapter 257, the law that requires the state to pay adequate reimbursement rates to organizations like Riverside. Thank you to Lt. Governor Driscoll for joining this important conversation about strengthening behavioral health services across Massachusetts.

WHO Foundation Champions SOS Signs of Suicide



The World Health Organization (WHO) Foundation recently featured Riverside's work in suicide prevention among young people. Learn how Riverside's SOS Signs of Suicide program is empowering students to recognize warning signs and connect friends to help. With suicide as the third leading cause of death for people aged 15-29, these peer-to-peer classroom initiatives are making a remarkable difference, reducing suicide attempts by 64%.

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Riverside Advocates on Capitol Hill

Earlier this month, Chief Behavioral Health Strategy Officer Kim Fisher and Vice President of Development Melissa Kogut represented Riverside at the National Council for Mental Wellbeing's Hill Day in Washington, D.C.,



meeting with Massachusetts legislators to champion stronger mental health and substance use policies. They advocated for expanded community behavioral health services, increased federal funding, and Medicaid coverage for justice-involved individuals.

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Free Training: Trauma-Informed Care



Join us on Thursday, November 20 (1:00–3:00 PM ET) for a free virtual training on supporting others while caring for yourself, presented by Michael Bonadio, Jr., LMFT, from Riverside Trauma Center. Learn trauma-informed principles, recognize secondary trauma, and build resilience strategies. Presented by Riverside Trauma Center & MindWise Innovations. No clinical background required.

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10 Years of Building Pathways to Employment with CVS Health



Discover how CVS Health and Riverside have worked together over the past decade to support employment opportunities for people with disabilities. In honor of National Disability Employment Awareness Month, learn about the Abilities in Abundance program, which has provided training to 398 participants across Massachusetts. Read about this collaboration's efforts to create more inclusive workplaces and employment pathways throughout the state.

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Riverside Community Care makes a difference in the lives of individuals, families, and communities through innovative and compassionate behavioral healthcare and human services. A community-based non-profit organization, Riverside offers a wide range of mental healthcare, developmental and brain injury services, early childhood and youth programs, addiction treatment, suicide prevention, trauma response, and more.

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