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**Merger Approved for Northeast Integrated Healthcare and CNS Healthcare:
Collaboration to expand and enhance service delivery for Tri-County Area**

Detroit, MI, October 30, 2020—The Board of Directors for Northeast Integrated Health (NIH) and CNS Healthcare approved a merger of the two CMH providers at their respective board meetings this week, and announced by CNS president/CEO, Michael Garrett, who will remain in this position. NIH president/CEO Sherry McRill will become Chief Visionary Officer of CNS.

“NIH and CNS Healthcare serve similar target populations. In addition, we have a shared vision and set of values around person-centered integrated healthcare delivered in neighborhoods throughout the Tri-County area,” said Michael Garrett. “This merger allows us to share resources and expand services and expertise to our persons-served base. We are excited about the possibilities.”

The merger also extends CCBHC services to the City of Detroit where this programming had not previously been present.

“Our work continues, but now in a more robust capacity to meet growing needs,” said Sherry McRill. “This merger allows us to deliver enhanced services in a more efficient and effective capacity to our target population.”

Combined, the organization will employ 400+ and help an increased person-served population of over 10,000 per year. Both organizations are financially stable and in full compliance with all certification agencies. The merger represents a mutual desire to be more efficient and effective all-around. We do not anticipate that there will be any disruption to person-served services during the transition, and no positions are being immediately eliminated.

About CNS Healthcare

CNS Healthcare (CNS) is a leading, private, non-profit provider of comprehensive, integrated behavioral and physical health services and substance use disorder services in Southeast Michigan. Established in 2002, CNS focuses on being the source for exceptional wellness solutions through assessment, case management, psychiatric, therapy, peer support and recovery services. As a federally designated Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), CNS provides expanded access to treatments and supports to uninsured, underinsured, and historically underserved populations throughout the community. With locations in Detroit, Novi, Pontiac, Southfield, and Waterford, CNS employs over 250 dedicated professionals, paraprofessionals and support staff who deliver compassionate care to more than 6,000 adults, youth (age 7 to 17), and their families, annually. www.CNSHealthcare.org

About Northeast Integrated Health:

Northeast Integrated Health (NIH) is a comprehensive community health agency founded in 1963. It provides integrated healthcare to children, families and adults with serious mental illness to help them achieve maximum independence and health. NIH provides mental and primary healthcare, outreach, prevention and substance use treatment to over 5800 individuals annually in Wayne, Macomb and Oakland Counties. www.NIHDetroit.org