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### **Public Health Notice: Clinician detained for dangerous prescribing practices in Branford and Wallingford clinics**

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The Connecticut Department of Public Health (CTDPH) is alerting Connecticut emergency departments (ED) of an abrupt federal law enforcement action to prohibit a behavioral health clinician who practices in both Branford and Wallingford from prescribing, administering, and dispensing controlled substances. The practice has about 250 patients, many of whom (80%) are receiving a dangerous combination of behavioral health related medications, specifically co-prescribed benzodiazepines and stimulants. Patients of this practice may present to an ED as their prescriptions run out.

Many of the patients are at particularly high risk of withdrawal from benzodiazepines and could be at risk for overdose if people who cannot obtain a prescription refill right away seek to buy illicit drugs off the street. You should expect a number of this provider's patients needing acute care in the coming days/weeks. CTDPH recommends that providers offer naloxone or provide information on where to access naloxone and make them aware of harm reduction resources such as fentanyl and xylazine test strips. CTDPH's focus is to ensure those patients affected by this closure continue to receive necessary treatment or care.

The attached flyer includes resources that may assist you in making referrals to these and other patients. We are working closely with state and local partners to monitor the situation and will provide more details as they become available.

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# DMHAS Region 2: Resource Guide



## CT Resources

### **For Husky Members:**

Medications for Substance Use  
Disorders (SUD) Provider Locator Map

[Medications for Substance Use  
Disorders Medicaid Provider  
Locator Map | Tableau Public](#)

### **For Husky Members:**

CT Outpatient Behavioral Health Enhanced Care  
Clinics (ECC) Map

[Connecticut Outpatient  
Behavioral Health Enhanced Care Clinics \(ECC\)  
Map | Tableau Public](#)

### **For self-funded/employer provided health insurance members**

Community Health Network (CHN) of Connecti-  
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[Community Health Network  
of Connecticut, Inc.](#)

Website: [www.chnct.org](http://www.chnct.org)  
**203-949-4000**

**988 Suicide and Crisis  
Lifeline, please call or text  
988 or chat  
at [www.988lifeline.org](http://www.988lifeline.org)**

**For emergencies, please call 911  
or report to your local  
emergency room**

## Mobile Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Outreach Vans

### **The Village for Families & Children**

Middletown  
**860-236-4511**

[Village Expanded Recovery Vehicle \(VERV\) |  
The Village](#)

### **Bridges Healthcare**

Milford, New Haven, West Haven  
**203-494-5811**

[Mobile Addiction Treatment Team - Bridges  
Healthcare](#)

## Regional Behavioral Health Organization (RHBO)

### **Alliance for Prevention & Wellness (APW)/ A Program of BHCare**

**203-892-6418**

[Alliance for Prevention and Wellness](#)

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## FQHCs/CHCs

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and Community Health Centers (CHC) provide a wide array of services including medical, dental, mental health and Substance Use Disorder services (SUD). Please see the following:

**Community Health Center, Inc**  
Middletown  
Main Intake: 860-347-6971  
[Community Health Center of Middletown](http://CommunityHealthCenterofMiddletown.org)

**Community Health Center, Inc**  
Meriden  
Main Intake: 203-237-2229  
[Community Health Center of Meriden](http://CommunityHealthCenterofMeriden.org)

**Cornell-Scott**  
New Haven, Ansonia, West Haven  
Main Intake: 203-503-3000  
[www.cornellscott.org](http://www.cornellscott.org)

**Fair Haven Community Healthcare**  
New Haven, East Haven and Branford  
Main Intake: 203-777-7411  
[Fair Haven Community Health Care | FHCHC](http://FairHavenCommunityHealthCare.org)

## Walk-In Mental Health Outpatient Treatment Providers

Please see the following link for details on walk-in days and hours:  
[Connecticut Mental Health Services](http://ConnecticutMentalHealthServices.org)  
([ctmentalhealthservices.com](http://ctmentalhealthservices.com))

**BH Care Outpatient)**  
North Branford  
[BHcare](http://BHcare.org)  
203-483-2630

**BH Care Outpatient)**  
Ansonia  
[BHcare](http://BHcare.org)  
203-800-7177

**Rushford Outpatient**  
Meriden  
[Home | rushford.org](http://Home.rushford.org) | [Rushford](http://Rushford.org) | [CT](http://CT.org)  
877-577-3233

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## Withdrawal Management Services (formerly known as Detox Services)

### Cornell-Scott Hill Health Center South Central Rehabilitation Center (SCRC)

New Haven  
203-503-3639, 203-503-3316,  
203-503-3318

### Recovery Network of Programs (RNP)

First Step  
Bridgeport  
203-416-1915

Rushford  
Middletown  
877-577-3233

Southeastern Council on  
Alcoholism and Drug Dependence  
(SCADD)  
New London  
860-447-1717 and 860-300-0038

**For Substance Use  
Disorder (SUD) and Daily  
Bed Availability  
Services, please visit:**

[Connecticut Addiction  
Services](#)

**24/7 Access Line**  
800-563-4086

Substance Use Disorder  
(SUD) information and  
referral; transportation  
services provided.

## Withdrawal Management Services (formerly known as Detox Ser-

### CT Valley Hospital-Blue Hills Hospital

Hartford  
860-293-6400

### CT Valley Hospital Merritt Hall

Middletown  
800-828-3396 x5

Intercommunity  
Hartford  
860-569-5900 x515

### Midwestern Connecticut Council on Alcoholism (MCCA)

Danbury  
203-792-4515

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## Outpatient Mental Health Clinics

**For a Comprehensive List of DMHAS Funded Region 2 Mental Health Providers, Please Visit:**

[Region 2 Mental Health Services](#)

**BH Care**

Ansonia

Serving towns of: Ansonia, Derby, Seymour and Shelton

Central Intake: **203-736-2601**

[BHcare](#)

**BH Care Shoreline Office**

North Branford

Serving towns of: Branford, East Haven, Guilford, Madison, North Branford, and North Haven

Central Intake: **203-483-2630**

**Bridges...A Community Support System, Inc.**

Milford

Serving towns of: Milford, Orange and West Haven

[Bridges Healthcare Inc. | Milford, CT](#)

Central Intake: **203-878-6365**

**Connecticut Mental Health Center (CMHC) (State Operated)**

New Haven

Serving towns of: Bethany, Hamden, New Haven and Woodbridge

[CMHC-Home Page](#)

Central Intake: **203-974-7300**

**Rushford Center**

Meriden

Serving towns of Meriden and Wallingford

[Home | rushford.org | Rushford | CT](#)

**877-577-3233**

**River Valley Services (RVS) (State Operated)**

Middletown

Serving the towns of Chester, Clinton, Cromwell, Deep River, Durham, East Haddam, East Hampton, Essex, Haddam, Killingworth, Lyme, Middlefield, Middletown, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, Portland, and Westbrook

[RVS - Homepage](#)

**860 395-5040**