



PBH Network Council

Presents the following candidates for election to fill the vacant seats.

There are three seats: one DD, one LIP, and one SA.

**Please read over the candidates information and attend the
Provider Meeting on Friday February 12, 2010 for the voting.**

Allan Azali – DD

My name is Allan Azali, the Piedmont Manager for Independent Opportunities Inc. This is my 11th year in the DD/MH field and this is the only work I have done since I left UNCC. I received my BS in Psychology with a minor in Biology, my BA in Sociology and only have to complete my thesis for my MA in Sociology. My roots in the field are as a direct care provider. I have run group homes for at-risk teenagers, done CBS work, run DDA group homes and provided individual home supports and respite. Through my direct care experience I garnered my QP status. I have worked in the PBH catchment area in some clinical aspect for close to eight years primarily in Cabarrus and Rowan County. I currently run IOI's Day Supports program, AFL homes and the majority of our Innovations services. I pride myself on the relationships I have with my families and staff most of whom I have known the entire time I have been in PBH. I still enjoy doing direct care work and fill-in for families on the weekend in Charlotte and remain very hands on with our new Day Support Program. I never want to forget my roots in the field and it really does help me to understand and assist my staff since I still do the work they do. Both of my parents provide service for the company in Mecklenburg County so I have the joy of being part of a multi-generational provider family. I love what I do and would truly enjoy bringing my experiences to the table to continue to assist the individuals we serve in the developmental disability field.

Treva R. Johnson – DD

I have 18 year of experience in the Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities/Substance Abuse Field, 16 of those years have been in a leadership position. Understanding of State and Federal Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities Guidelines and Rules. Advocating for consumer rights and appropriate services. Developing and implementing budgets on a statewide level. Preparing for various statewide audits, reviews, and monitoring. Developing strategic plans. Extensive Management experience. Sitting on various committees throughout the company as well as within the field. My community involvement consists of President of The Humane Society of Wilkes 1996-1999. Board Member Forsyth Technical Community College Board of Advisors on Compensatory Education 1995-1996. Board Member Wilkes County Animal Shelter Board of Directors 1996-1999, (during this period a new animal shelter was lobbied for

and built in Wilkes county). Girl Scout Volunteer/Leader 2003-Present. Sunday School Teacher, Liberty Grove Baptist 2009. Various church committees: Ongoing. Wilkes County Democratic Women: present member. Yadkin Valley Creative Writers Group: present member. Unique Artists of the Yadkin Valley: present member.

My professional development consists of Stephen Covey: Lessons in Leadership week long seminar 1996. Auburn University: Health and Human Services Supervision month long training 1997.

My work history includes Workshop Coordinator at Watauga Opportunities 7-92 through 12-92. Teaching Parent at Reflections Home for Girls, North Wilkesboro, NC 5-93 through 12-93. House Parent at The Rainbow Center, North Wilkesboro, NC 5-93 through 12-93. Habilitation Technician at Forsyth Stokes Mental Health, Winston Salem, NC 12-93 through 5-94. Habilitation Specialist/Program Director at Forsyth Stokes Mental Health, Winston Salem, NC 5-94 through 4-97. Resource Coordinator at Omni Visions Inc, North Wilkesboro, NC 4-97 through 2-05. Area Director at Omni Visions Inc., NC 1-04 through 2-05. NC Director of Operations of MR/MI/DD Programs at Omni Visions Inc., NC 10-05 through present.

Robin Devore - DD

Robin Devore is the Director of Compliance with LifeSpan, Inc. and is serving as the Executive Director for the Piedmont Programs in LifeSpan. She has been in this position with LifeSpan for the past 7 years and previous to being the Director of Compliance she was a Program Director for 6 years with LifeSpan in Charlotte. Robin has a true passion for working with individuals with disabilities and has been doing this since she was a young girl volunteering with Special Olympics and classrooms in her middle and high school. Robin is currently a Member of Health Care Compliance. Robin has been a volunteer for many years in her daughter's school working with children who need special assistance in any area of their lives. Robin has been in the human service field for 17 years and in those 17 years has been a Special Education Teacher and worked for LifeSpan. Robin graduated from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a bachelor's degree in Psychology. Robin is currently pursuing becoming a CARF surveyor.

Devon Smith – DD

My name is Devon Smith. I graduated from Penn State with a Bachelor's Degree in Rehabilitation Services. My interest in the Human Services field was sparked by my internship with to the Associate Director of the Centre County Youth Service Bureau.

After graduating, I moved to Charlotte, NC in August of 1999 and began working for ResCare as a Team Support Coordinator at one of the ICF-MR group homes. While at ResCare I also served in a Behaviorist position for a brief time. I was later promoted to

the position of QP and supervised three ICF-MR group homes in the area. In addition to my QP duties I began to oversee the training program for ResCare's Charlotte area.

In the spring 2004 I was hired by DDR, Inc. as a QP. During this time I began my relations with PBH. I became certified as an Instructor for North Carolina Interventions and National Safety Council CPR/FA. My interest in training earned me full responsibility of the training program at DDR, Inc. This awareness also helped me secure a position on DDR, Inc. committee for National Accreditation through CQL.

As my responsibilities increased I was appointed Program Director for DDR, Inc. My position as Program Director has allowed me the opportunity to expand my knowledge and relationship with PBH. I frequently attend meetings at PBH as related to the services that DDR, Inc. provides. In my current role as Program Director I am the primary liaison for DDR, Inc. and PBH.

If chosen to participate as a member of the Provider Network Council I will collaborate with PBH, other agencies, consumers, and families to ensure that as many people are served as possible in a consumer friendly cost effective manner.

Gregory Yousey - LIP

Greg Yousey earned a Bachelors degree in Psychology from UNC Charlotte in 1993 and a Masters degree from Appalachian State University in 1996. He has been licensed and working in Rowan County since 1998 where he has helped develop a peer group for local mental health professionals and served on Human Rights committees for local group home agencies. Mr. Yousey specializes in childhood mental health and developmental disabilities, but also treats adults and couples coping with mental health and social problems utilizing largely a cognitive/behavioral treatment model. He is competent in the use of psychometrics and has served a number of state agencies using these skills. He is a North Carolina licensed Psychological Associate and Health Services Provider.

Jay L. Boulter - LIP

Jay Boulter is a licensed marriage and family therapist and licensed professional counselor in private practice in Salisbury, NC. He provides individual, couple and family therapy to adults and youth. Jay has worked as a clinician, supervisor, administrator and educator in human services for almost four decades in both the private and public sectors. During that time his work with youth, parents, families and community development included positions as youth and adult therapist, mental health crisis responder, director of residential and day treatment programs for adolescents, teaching at the secondary, college and university levels, membership on various local, state and national professional and advocacy boards and committees.

Jay presents on a range of topics related to behavioral health and treatment as well as organizational development to consumer and professional groups. He has presented from local to international venues. Jay received his B.S. in special education in 1972 from California state university, pa and his masters in counseling psychology at West Virginia University in 1975. Jay completed all but dissertation toward a multiple disciplinary EDD in services for delinquent, disturbed and disadvantaged youth at WVU. Jay was one of the first LMFT/LPC to join the PBH Medicaid provider network in March of 2005. Jay and Dr. Lyn Boulter, PhD have been married 38 years. They have two grown daughters, Shannon and Leah who live in Raleigh and Charlotte; respectively they have lived in Salisbury since 1986 when Lyn accepted a faculty position at Catawba College.

Benjamin Millsap - SA

Benjamin Neal Millsap is the Clinical Program Director for Monarch in Stanly County, a not for profit provider of MHDDSA services in all of PBH's 5 counties. He holds a Bachelor's of Science in Psychology from Virginia Tech (1997) and a Masters of Social Work from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte (2004). Ben is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist in the State of North Carolina. Ben is currently a Clinical Supervisor Intern with the North Carolina Professional Practice Board. Ben was the 2009 recipient of the Arc of North Carolina's Professional of the Year. He serves on the Board for Homes of Hope a local not for profit assisting individuals and families realize their dream of renting/owning their own homes/apartments as well as the Community Inn, which is Stanly County's first emergency housing program. Ben is the past Chair of the Piedmont Area Substance Abuse Providers Association (PASAPA), has participated in PASAPA's free local training program to support workforce development in the substance abuse field and continues as a member of PASAPA. Ben's professional career started with CAP services and has allowed him to work with both MH and SA populations since 1997.