



Inspiring Hope and Transforming Lives  
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# The Substance Use and Mental Health Landscape



# Who the Behavioral Wellness Center Is



## Our Mission

To provide effective, evidence-based behavioral health services to our participants, which inspire hope, encourage change and improve our community, and offer services in a manner that is spiritually and culturally sensitive, and responsive to community needs.



# Yesterday

North Philadelphia Health  
System

Girard Medical Center  
St. Joseph's Hospital



# Today

## How we inspire hope and transform lives and Who We Serve

### Inpatient Psychiatric Services



### Inpatient Drug & Alcohol



### Outpatient Drug & Alcohol

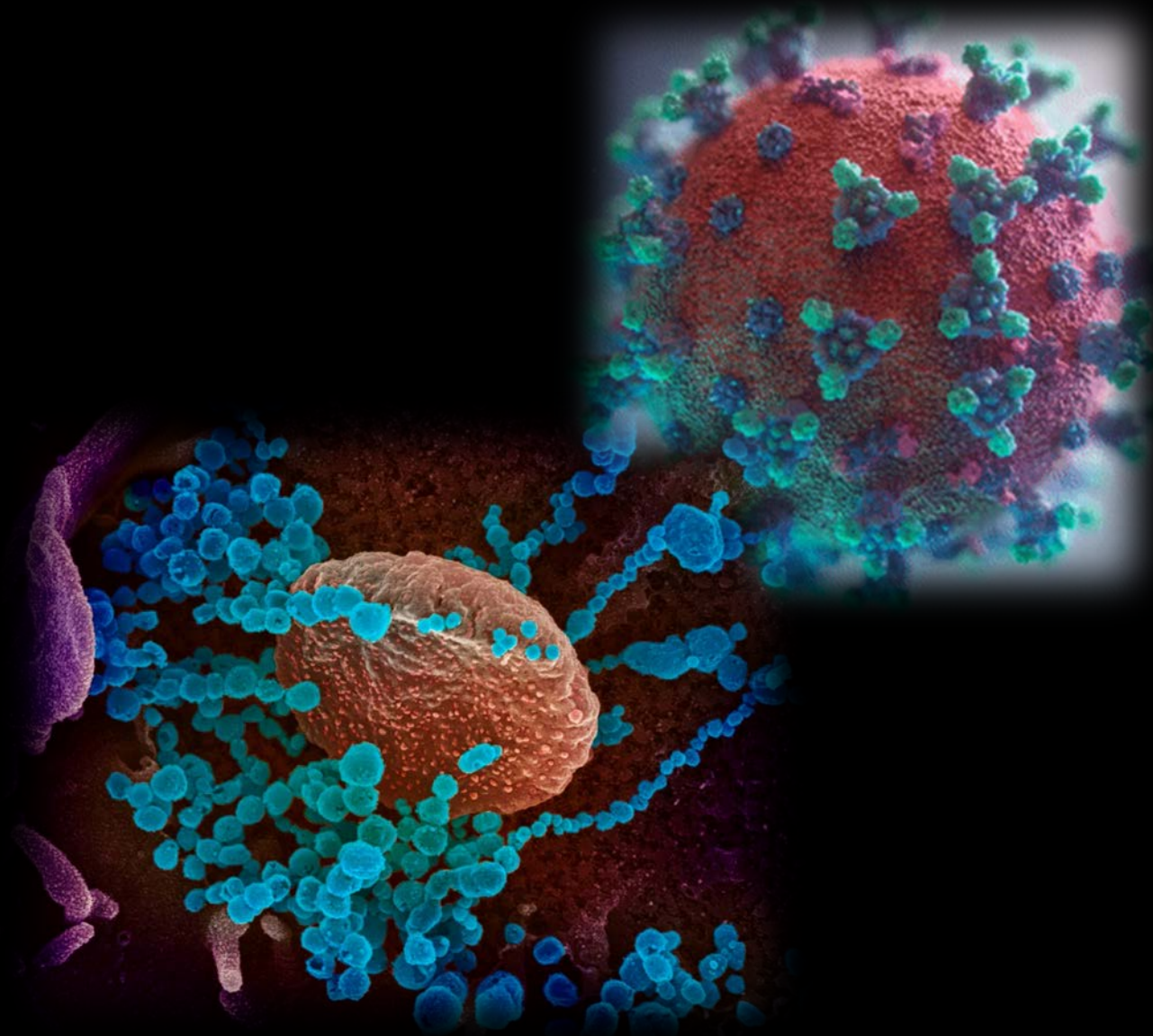




# Impact of COVID – 19

What we have  
learned as a Center

How you can help  
not only us but others  
providing these  
essential services



# HOW YOU CAN HELP THOSE PROVIDING THESE ESSENTIAL SERVICES?

## Through your philanthropy and influence

- Be flexible in your grant-giving (times are not stagnant). We had to actually close admissions to our residential programs (counter intuitive for us) in order to keep our clients and staff safe - to the detriment of our census, which is the basis of our revenue.
- Establish grants specifically for Behavioral Health providers
- Support staff training programs, especially around technology
- Invest in technology equipment, infrastructure
- Support purchase and acquisition of Personal Protection Equipment (especially sneeze guards for outpatient and day programs), better ventilation in some facilities and other health and safety prevention like bio-tech/sanitation supplies
- Lobby for more \$ for mental health and addiction treatment and support expansion of research via pilot programs for clients
- Support programs that support the mental health and wellness of essential staff and others
- Support the concept that “we are essential services” even more in these times
- Support the extension of a telehealth therapy Waiver

Note: The Be Well Center has specific projects embedded in the above