



### **Press Release**

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[Wilmington, NC] The Coastal Horizons Board of Trustees is disappointed with Trillium's decision and New Hanover County's endorsement, as [it was in 2020](#), to award the management of Healing Place to an out-of- state provider unfamiliar with our community and its needs. Furthermore, the change in services at The Healing Place to now accept MAT residents, which was not part of the original agreement, and is now permitted due only to federal requirements, is unsettling for many reasons - particularly given it is still slated to be a peer run, abstinence based facility. Coastal Horizons has a proven record of working with patients prescribed MAT.

Our Board of Trustees fully supports our President and CEO Margaret Weller-Stargell and trusts her nearly four decades of experience working for and leading Coastal Horizons Center, eastern North Carolina's gold standard for providing a broad range of effective, evidence-based substance use disorder, mental health, and wellness services to our communities and schools.

Our team at Coastal Horizons is grateful to live, and serve, in eastern North Carolina. In the past twelve months, Coastal Horizons has provided care to approximately 14,000 individuals and their families in a [wide range of services](#) that promote healthier lives, stronger families, and safer communities.

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### **About Coastal Horizons**

Coastal Horizons Center, Inc. is a private, non-profit service delivery Corporation servicing Eastern North Carolina. The Corporation is governed by a Board of Trustees representing a cross-section of residents from the area with services provided by a staff of qualified professionals.

### **Our Mission**

To provide a continuum of professional services to promote healthier lives, stronger families, and safer communities.

### **Licensing and Accreditation**

Nationally Accredited by CARF, The Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Drug Enforcement Administration, CABHA, NC Division of Facility Services, NC Division of Social Services, NC Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services