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Detroit's Care Center the First of Its Kind in the Heart of the City Bringing Behavioral Health Needs to the Community

DETROIT, MI—June 22, 2022- The Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN) will hold a groundbreaking ceremony on Wednesday, June 22nd at 11:00 am at it's 707 West Milwaukee headquarters to break ground for the city of Detroit's first Clinical Care Center.

"We are pleased to transform this building into a Clinical Care Center in which people that need short term crisis intervention whether it's for mental health or substance use disorder, get the help they need and get connected to services and support," said DWIHN President/CEO Eric Doeh. "The goal is to alleviate taking someone who is in crisis to jail or the emergency department and get them the appropriate help they need. This Care Center is unique because all the services are all under one roof, Crisis Stabilization, Crisis Residential and Crisis Sober Living."

The facility scheduled to open early 2023 will be a place where adults and children can be evaluated to determine their medical necessity for crisis level services. It will add 39 beds to DWIHN's Crisis Continuum and will be a 24-hour Clinical Care Center.

"Wayne County has approximately 1.6 million people, with a population like that, we should have at least 3 crisis centers," said Doeh. "This is an opportunity to provide access to quality behavioral healthcare services in the community and continue to erase the stigma that comes along with mental health. There is no shame in asking for help. We want services to be accessible for all, no matter zip code, age or race."

State and local elected officials and County and City law enforcement will be present.

DWIHN is compassionate and committed to the 75,000 children and adults it serves in Detroit and Wayne County. It is the largest community mental health agency in the State. We understand the immense responsibility we have been given and we go above and beyond in supporting the people we serve and the hundreds of Providers in our System of Care. Our Providers serve individuals with serious mental illness, children with serious emotional disturbance, people with autism, individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and those with substance use disorder. For more information, www.dwihn.org or contact our 24/7 Access Helpline, 800-241-4949.

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