Welcome Our Psychiatry Residents!

Brittney Harding
Undergraduate:
Oakland University, Rochester Minnesota
Medical School: Central Michigan University College of Medicine (MD, May 2019)
Currently lives in Saginaw, MI.
Brittney has a demonstrated commitment to community service and serving the underserved having worked in hospice and Habitat for Humanity in Honduras and rural Africa. She has completed a sub-internship in child psychiatry and been a project manager in industry. She enjoys music and plays the saxophone and is a huge Styx fan. She is a self-described huge Pirates of the Caribbean enthusiast and owns every type of memorabilia, ranging from a life-size cutout of Jack Sparrow to a Deadman’s Chest boom box. She enjoys bicycling, swimming, and baking various delicacies, including her favorite, chocolate cheesecake.

Luba Kats, DO
Undergraduate:
University of Wisconsin Madison
Graduate Degree: Case Western in Medical Physiology
Medical School: West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine
Currently lives in Madison, WI.
Luba is driven to serve. She has been an autism therapist, done research with NAMI and is an advocate for women’s health, serving as secretary for the Medical Students for Choice group. She is a second degree black belt in Taekwondo. She enjoys rally race car driving and has participated in official Sports Car Club of America Stateline Rally Cross Events. She enjoys the outdoors by hiking and camping getting to her destination via motorcycle.

Kirubel Woldemichael, MD
Undergraduate: Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
Medical School: Medical College of Wisconsin
He currently lives in Milwaukee, WI.
Kirubel brings a wealth of experience to our program. He is acutely aware of the plight of immigrants having been an immigrant from Ethiopia himself. He has worked to give back with his involvement with the Saturday Free Clinic and the Warrior Project in Milwaukee, Catholic Refugee Resettlement, and with the Ethiopian Union. He also has been a scribe and worked in the Sebastian Family Clinic in Milwaukee. He enjoys cooking, running, volunteering watching history documentaries, as well as reading history.

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Andrea Rebstock & Katie Morrison
Why: For helping out when a co-worker lost her voice.
Submitted By: Shandah Stewart

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Submitted by Rachel Riehle, Legacies by the Lake

A Weekly Update For The Employees of North Central Health Care
March 2019

Employee of the Month

TIFFANY PLUGER
RN, Outpatient Services

The NCHC Employee of the Month for March has been awarded to Tiffany Pluger, RN in Outpatient Services. Tiffany’s entire nursing team nominated her for the award and her nomination included 11 testimonials with the submission!

“We cannot express how lucky we have been to have had the opportunity to work with, and learn from Tiffany. She is an amazing nurse and a role model to everyone. But above all she is a genuinely kind and compassionate human being – who consistently puts the needs of others before herself. I have known Tiffany for a few years, and she has always been committed to NCHC. Not just in her current role as psychiatry nurse….but the organization as a whole. She constantly references how great NCHC is and how much potential we have to anyone that will listen. She has demonstrated her ability to develop positive and collaborative relationships throughout this organization, and is a highly respected team member.

It is obvious that patient experience is a priority for her whenever you watch her interactions with people. She has a profound compassion for anyone that struggles with mental health or substance abuse issues. She has the ability to make patients feel that nothing else in her day matters as much as they do in that moment, and a natural ability to put others at ease with the gentle way she approaches difficult situations. I cannot imagine that she could work anywhere else.

Tiffany has a strong sense of integrity which naturally draws people to her. She strives daily to continuously improve the services for the people we serve, as well as improving process for staff. There is not one staff member on our team that Tiffany has not sat with (sometimes for hours at a time) to help them learn or understand something. I often joke with new staff that they don’t need to know anything with Tiffany here – because she is a walking “goggle” for all of us!

Tiffany will be graduating soon with an advanced practice degree in nursing. And it is with no surprise that she will continue her work here at NCHC with the people she cares about so deeply. I can’t wait to watch her take on this new chapter – I have no doubt she will be amazing. We wanted to let her know before she moves on from our immediate team how much she means to each and every one of us professionally as well as personally. I am so fortunate to call her a true friend. We thank her from the very bottom of our hearts for inspiring each of us to do better and become better every single day…”

– Linda Handrick, RN Manager

Congratulations Tiffany! The Employee of the Month Celebration for Tiffany will be held on Wednesday, April 3 at 9:30 am in Wausau Campus Cafeteria.

Submit A Great Photo From Your Week!

Submit your photo and description to: Email: jmeadows@norcen.org or Text: 715.370.1547. Please indicate Photo of the Week and include your name, who/what/where of the photo and why you are submitting.

WAUSAU CAMPUS NOTICE
Walking Paths & MVCC Windows

We have received several inquiries regarding the walking paths opening on the Wausau Campus now that the snow and ice are receding. Last week, contractors began replacing windows at Mount View Care Center. The plan is to replace all the windows on the 2nd floor, the 1st floor dining room and South Shore Post Acute Care. The project is anticipated to take about 8-10 weeks total.

For the safety of those walking outside, the walking paths will remain closed in the back area of the Campus until the window construction crews are completed with windows in those particular areas. As you can imagine, there are overhead lifts and crews working near the walking path areas to access the windows on the 1st and 2nd floors. As soon as they have completed window installation in areas near the walking path, we will let you know so that you may resume walking in those areas.

We apologize for any inconvenience. The Marathon County Maintenance Team will keep us updated on any changes.

You can take a look at all the renovation information, photos, news link, videos, presentations and more on our website at www.norcen.org/Renovations

“Here are some pictures of the Legacies staff and residents celebrating their fabulous Social Worker, Merry Wimmer! We celebrated by singing a personalized song, written by the residents and staff; enjoying some flamingo cake; and with flowers and balloons. Thank you, Social Workers, for all that you do for our residents and the staff. Your hard work, care, and dedication is greatly appreciated.” – Rachel Riehle

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OVERCOMING ADDICTION Together

WORKSHOP 1

Working Together Towards Understanding Addiction and Facilitating Recovery
May 16 | Wausau or May 17 | Rhinelander
8:30 am Registration | 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Featuring Keynote Speaker Dr. David Mays
Covering the latest medical understanding of addiction: epidemiology, brain mechanisms, social neuroscience insights, and evidence for treatment.

WORKSHOP 2

Building Resilient Families and Communities: Moving Beyond Trauma/ACEs and Addiction
July 18 | Wausau or
July 19 | Rhinelander

WORKSHOP 3

Taking Care of Ourselves as We Care for Others
August 15 | Wausau or
August 16 | Rhinelander

$20/session (lunch included) ~ $50 for all three
To learn more and register online:

Community Partners:

To Cheryl Zunker and Laura Wendorf!

“I just want to send out a Shout Out to Cheryl and Laura for putting together a concise directory for Switchboard use...something I have been hoping for years and now it is a reality. Thank you ladies for a great job done. I am grateful!”

– Submitted by Doug Koller, Switchboard Communications (weekends)

Give someone a big shout out and thank them for their Person-Centered Service!

Send your SHOUT OUTS to jmeadows@norcen.org.
PLANT SALE
HANGING BASKETS & PATIO PLANTERS

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT "ALVIN"
The NCHC Behavioral Health Therapy Dog

ORDER: March 25–29 & April 1–5
Monday – Friday ~ 9:00 am–1:00 pm
Wausau Campus Cafeteria
Pre-paid orders only please.
To purchase flowers outside of
that time please contact Volunteer
Services at 715.848.4450 or stop by
the Volunteer office to order.

Delivery/Pick-up:
Wednesday, May 8
Volunteer Services will deliver within the Wausau Campus.
All others can pick-up after 11:00 am on May 8 at the
Volunteer Services Office.

Proceeds will benefit Alvin’s care and will go directly toward supporting
needs such as veterinary visits, food, bedding and hygiene products like
shampoo and oral care.

*Colors may vary.

LOOKING FOR DISCOUNTS?
If you have not gone on the intranet and checked out the employee discounts, you are missing out. In addition to the local businesses that have offered employees discounts, there is also a link that many people pass over called Working Advantage. When you click the link to that site and sign up using the employer number provided on the intranet, you will have access to thousands of discounts from around the country!! Hotels, movies, theme parks, attractions, skiing, rental cars, gifts, shopping partner sites.....the list is endless. Check it out today by logging in to any network computer. Navigate to the intranet by typing in "intranet" on your web browser. From there, go to the discount section under NCHC.

Your discounts await!

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Anniversary Open House
Come and tour your Employee Health & Wellness Center!

April 3, 2019

All North Central Health Care employees and their families are welcome to come and check out your clinic.

April 3, 2019  3:00pm - 5:30pm
1000 Lake View Drive, Suite 200
Wausau, WI 54403

Register for prizes, meet the staff and learn about the convenient care available to you.

Position Posting
Title: Recovery Coach Coordinator
Status: Full-time
Location: Outpatient Services
Apply Online: http://bit.ly/2JOsRrp

The Recovery Coach Coordinator is responsible for the oversight, recruiting, training and coordination of recovery coaches through the North Central Recovery Coach Collaborative. The Recovery Coach Coordinator works closely with community partners and recovery coaches to facilitate recovery coaching within the community.

Education/Experience Requirement
Valid CCAR certification or obtain within 3 months of hire
Current and valid Wisconsin driver’s license
Preferred:
Bachelor’s degree in human services related field

WHAT’S UP ALVIN?
Alvin Celebrated Health Information Professionals Week!
This week Alvin visited the Health Information Team to thank them for all their service and celebrate Health Information Professionals Week at NCHC! Thank you team for all you do!!

Follow Alvin on Facebook @AlvinLovesNCHC
SEMINAR FOR NCHC EMPLOYEES NEARING RETIREMENT
Wednesday, May 8, 2019 • Wausau Campus Theater
9:00 am – 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm (two separate sessions covering the same material in each)

Presented By:
Employee Trust Funds/Wisconsin Retirement System (ETF/WRS)  
Social Security Administration (SSA)  
Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program (WDC) – Shawn Bresnahan

The ETF presentation will last one hour, followed by 45 minutes for both SSA and WDC. Time will be provided at the end of the presentations for questions from the attendees.

5K Race/Walk and Kids’ 1K Fun Run
Saturday, April 27, 2019
Timekeeper Distillery – Grant St. – Wausau

On-Site Registration – 9 am • Races Begin – 10 am
$35 ages 13 and up • $20 Children
Fun, Food, Spirits, Raffle, and of course, Music!
All pre-registered participants receive t-shirt and goodie bag
Register at: wausauconservatory.org
Or call 715-845-6279 for more information

Congratulations on your Retirement Janell Stelzl! Thank you for 23 years of service!

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Please Join Us. The Ghidorzi Green & Clean is greater Wausau’s annual community-wide cleanup to free our beautiful landscape of litter and debris. Individuals and groups of all ages and sizes can help give our community a clean start to spring. The event is a productive way to celebrate Earth Day and a healthy outdoor activity for families, friends, neighbors and coworkers. Safety green T-shirts, trash bags and gloves are provided free of charge, along with hot Starbucks coffee and refreshments to energize our efforts.

EVENT KICK-OFF LOCATION
Corporate Cove Tower | One Corporate Drive, Wausau, WI

Saturday, April 27
8 a.m. – Refreshments, check-in, live WIFC broadcast from Dave Kallaway and Karina Maria
8:45 a.m. – Deployment of volunteers
9 – 11 a.m. – Trash pick-up
11 a.m. – Event completion, volunteers depart from their cleanup site

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KID’S GARBAGE BAGS  
KID-SAFE TRASH PICK-UP ZONES

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Michael Loy is on the Executive Leadership Panel in the morning session!

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The 9th Annual Spotlight Event will be held on Tuesday, April 23rd from 5:30-7pm at Jefferson Street Inn, Downtown Wausau.

Individual seats are available ($20, or $15 for students), as well as tables ($100 seating 6 people) should you need additional seats or tables.

The 9th Annual Spotlight Event will be held on Tuesday, April 23rd from 5:30-7:00pm @ City Grill at Jefferson Street Inn, Wausau

Doors open at 5:00pm with silent auction, networking & hors d’oeuvres

Tickets are $20 per person, $100 per table

Register online at: https://bit.ly/2HYCJwF

VOLLEYBALL FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT

The Edgar Girls Volleyball Booster Club is partnering with North Central Health Care to raise funds to support the care of Alvin, our NCHC Therapy Dog. On May 11, Edgar High School will be hosting a 15-team volleyball tournament. 50% of the proceeds from the concession stand sales will go toward supporting Alvin, as long as NCHC staff will help volunteer to work at the concession stand for the day! It’s pretty simple and no advanced experience is required. Teens and kids are welcome to help out as long as they can count change.

We are looking for volunteers from NCHC staff and family to work in 2-hour shifts helping to sell concessions at Edgar High School. We will need 3-4 volunteers per shift. Shifts will run from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. We appreciate any and all volunteer help!

Alvin has already proven to be an important part of our NCHC Behavioral Health Team and this is a great opportunity to educate our communities on mental and behavioral health as well. Thank you for considering a volunteer spot! All volunteers will receive NCHC Shirt to wear for the event. We will contact you for shirt sizing!

Register Today at bit.ly/VolleyballNCHC

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WHAT’S 4 LUNCH?
WAUSAU CAMPUS CAFETERIA

Cafeteria Hours: Open 7am – 5:30 pm
A Cashier is on duty from 9:00am – 10:00am, 10:30am – 1:30pm.
When a cashier is off duty, an honor system is used for food purchases.

Serving Soup, Salad and Lunch Entrée Option
Monday – Friday.
All hot sandwiches, hot foods and cold bar items are $.35/ounce.
Soup: $1.25 Cup / $2.00 Bowl

APRIL 1 – 5, 2019

MON 4/1 ......Tomato Vegetable Soup
BBQ Chicken Flatbread Pizza
Hungarian Goulash
Egg Noodles
Cauliflower
Peanut Cake

TUES 4/2........Navy Bean Soup
Pasta Bar
Breaded Pork Chop
Mashed Potatoes
Rutabagas
Applesauce

WED 4/3 .......Texas Tomato Soup
Nachos Supreme
Poor Man’s Lobster
Creamy Hashbrowns
Mixed Vegetables
Rhubarb Torte

THUR 4/4 ......Turkey Noodle Soup
Fish on a Kaiser
Oven Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
California Blend Veggies
Chocolate Revel Bar

FRI 4/5 ..........Corn Chowder
Reuben
Broccoli Cheese Bake
Fried Potatoes
Warm Fruit Compote
Sugar Cookie

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PRICE INCREASES IN WAUSAU
CAMPUS CAFETERIA
Beginning May 1, 2019

Due to market price increases we need to make some price increases in the Wausau Campus Cafeteria. Starting May 1, 2019 increases will be as follows:

Cookies ......................... $.50
Milk ............................. $.50
Juice ............................. $.50
Dressing packets .............. $.30
Cup of soup .................... $1.50
Bowl of soup .................. $2.25

ECO-FRIENDLY STRAWS HAVE ARRIVED!
Going Greener!

The Wausau Campus Cafeteria now has the “eco-friendly” biodegradable straws available! They are green and “unwrapped”, they will be available in the Cafeteria and all units and neighborhoods.