



Gulf Coast Mental Health Counselors Association

Please vote for the 2022 - 2024 GMHC Board.

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Voting will end on January 31, 2022.

If you need a paper ballot, please email secretary@gmhc.net

The Nominees are:

President

Nominee: Carrie Johnson, MS, LMHC, NCC, CCMHC

I want to run for the position of President of GMHC because I have a strong desire to connect GMHC to our community so we can not only increase membership, educate others about GMHC and continue to educate and promote mental health counseling within our community. I feel that I have learned more about the position and am excited, if elected, to work alongside the new GMHC Board members. Thank you for your support.

Past President

Nominee: George Drobinski, MS, LMHC, PA

Over 22 years ago I was co-founder of the Gulf Coast Mental Health Counselors Association. I served as the second organization President. I remained involved with

GCMHCA and more recently started the Intern Scholarship Program and assist with funding the initiative. I was asked to serve as Past President by the current President. I am in private clinical practice in Naples and I am a strong advocate for our profession and firmly believe in the essential role and value GCMHCA provides for interns, therapists, and the community that we serve.

Vice President

Nominee: Vacant Position

Secretary

Nominee: Maggie Baldwin, MS, LMHC, MCAP

I have been an LMHC for over 20 years, starting out in West Palm Beach, Florida but happily relocated to Naples approximately 8 years ago with my husband, two daughters and now, 3 dogs. I have worked at the David Lawrence Center for the past 7 years, beginning my career as the clinician for the Intensive Outpatient program (IOP) and eventually promoted to Clinical Director for the Crossroads Continuum (Adult Substance Use Disorder Treatment Programs).

I am interested in the GMHC position for two reasons. First, I would like to give back to a profession that has given me so much and, second, I would like to be involved in promoting the profession. With Collier and Lee County booming, GMHC has a great opportunity to grow and develop its networking base, offer more trainings/webinars and be a place that offers support to those in our field.

Professional Development Chair

Nominee: Renee Palmer, MS, LMHC

I'm Renee Palmer, LMHC. I have experience working with a variety of populations, most recently children in the school system. Due to the pandemic I was staying at home with my own children. As I reenter the workforce, I have time to support GMHC as they have supported local mental health professionals.

Membership Chair

Nominee: Jennifer Albert, MA, LMHC

My name is Jennifer Albert and as Membership Chair, I would work to encourage new members by reaching out, having more frequent emails and online networking events. I think that having opportunities for peer engagement among therapists is lacking, and having spaces to network and engage in our community would be beneficial.

Legislative Chair

Nominee: Kathy Feinstein, LMHC, CMPC

I am seeking the Legislative Committee chair position because of the current important legislative issues facing counselors. As a member of the Government Relations Committee with FMHCA, I am looking forward to actively serve this year in getting new legislation passed to support license portability. I believe these roles at the local and state level complement each other.

Webmaster

Nominee: Vacant Position

www.gmhc.net offers more information regarding membership in Gulf Coast Mental Health Counselors and upcoming events.

Please direct question about election to Wendy Powell, Secretary of GMHC, secretary@gmhc.net or call 901-275-1104.