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Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center Hires Full-Time In-House Pharmacist.

[Tamuning, Guam]-- The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has hired its first full-time in-house Pharmacist.

For years, one of the department's biggest challenges has been hiring pharmacists in a part-time capacity only. This resulted in clients, many of whom already have transportation challenges, not being able to fill their prescriptions on the same day they see the doctor because of the limited pharmacy hours.

"Medication is vital to the lives of many of our clients. We are committed to doing what we can to ease their access to care, and having an in-house Pharmacist means a client will be able to see their doctor and leave with their medication in the same visit" said GBHWC Deputy Director, Carissa Pangelinan.

GBHWC's new Pharmacist, Mrs. Quenie Fisher says she is "excited to be part of the team and eager to implement changes to better serve our clients."

The GBHWC pharmacy is now operating and serving clients during normal department hours, Monday to Friday, 8am – 5pm, except weekends and government holidays.

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center is located in Tamuning and is Guam's only public mental health and substance abuse agency. GBHWC offers child outpatient services through I Famagu'on-ta; healthy transition services for young adults through Project Tulaika; adult outpatient services; Professional Support Services (Psychological, Psychiatric, and Pharmacy); outpatient drug & alcohol services through New Beginnings; residential recovery homes/services; child inpatient, adult inpatient and medication clinic services; sexual assault and abuse services through Healing Hearts Crisis Center; and Prevention and Training services through P.E.A.C.E.

For more information on GBHWC's pharmacy, please contact GBHWC Director, Theresa Arriola at Theresa.arriola@gbhwc.guam.gov or (671) 647-1901.

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