

# News Release

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## **Arbour-Fuller Hospital Announces Leadership and Program Changes**

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Maintaining service excellence has always been a goal of Arbour-Fuller Hospital, located in South Attleboro, MA. With this in mind, the hospital has made an addition to its leadership and continues to provide superior care with its behavioral health programs.

### New Medical Director

Arbour-Fuller Hospital recently appointed Gregg Etter, MD, to the position of Medical Director. Before joining Arbour-Fuller's staff, Dr. Etter worked as the Medical Director for Inpatient Services at St. Joseph Hospital in Rhode Island, Addiction Medicine at Roger Williams Medical Center in Rhode Island, and Dual Diagnosis Services at SSTAR in Fall River. Dr. Etter maintains a private psychiatric practice in Rhode Island. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology and Zoology from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and was awarded his Medical Degree from the State University of New York, Health Science Center in Syracuse. Dr. Etter has provided clinical supervision for Medical Residents at Roger Williams Medical Center and Brown University Psychiatry Residents.

### Expansion of the Partial Plus Program

Partial Plus, supervised housing for men who are concurrently attending Arbour-Fuller's Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP), is relocating and expanding. In response to demand for this unique program, Partial Plus is moving into the hospital from a freestanding house on the hospital's campus. This relocation will expand the program's capacity from six to 20. The participants in Partial Plus are individuals who are safe to remain in the residence, but require the intensive treatment intervention of PHP to address their mental health and/or recovery issues in order to prevent hospitalization.

### Use of Suboxone for Opiate Detoxification

Arbour-Fuller Hospital offers safe, clinically sound detoxification for substance abuse and dual diagnosis patients on a discrete unit. For patients detoxifying from opiate addictions, protocols including the use of Suboxone, a medication that works to reduce the effects of opiate dependence and prevents withdrawal symptoms. The hospital has been utilizing Suboxone for several years, and this continues as a distinctive competency of our dual diagnosis program.

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*Arbour-Fuller Hospital is a division of Arbour Health System, the leading private behavioral health system in Massachusetts. Other divisions of Arbour Health system include Arbour Hospital in Boston, Arbour-HRI in Brookline, Choate Emergency Services Program, Pembroke Hospital, Westwood Lodge, Lowell Treatment Center, The Boston Center, Arbour SeniorCare, and Arbour Counseling Services centers.*