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Franklin Primary Health Center Welcomes Dr. Lisa Williams, PhD, as Director of Behavioral Health



Mobile, Alabama – Franklin Primary Health Center (FPHC) is proud to announce the addition of **Dr. Lisa Williams, PhD**, as Director of Behavioral Health. Dr. Williams' appointment reflects Franklin's continued commitment to expanding access to comprehensive, integrated behavioral health services for individuals and families across the communities it serves.

Dr. Williams brings more than 20 years of progressive leadership experience in behavioral health, substance use treatment, and integrated care across Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), outpatient clinics, and community-based systems. In her role, she will lead the development and expansion of behavioral health services, strengthen clinical integration with primary care, and utilize innovative approaches to address mental health and substance use challenges in the community.

Throughout her career, Dr. Williams has demonstrated expertise in building high-performing clinical teams, ensuring regulatory compliance and implementing evidence-based, trauma-informed care models. She has extensive experience in opioid treatment programs, multidisciplinary team leadership, and developing programs that improve patient outcomes while increasing access to care for underserved populations.

"Dr. Williams is a transformational leader whose experience in behavioral health and substance use services will play a critical role in advancing Franklin's mission," said **Charles White, CEO of Franklin Primary Health Center, Inc.** "Her ability to build strong programs, lead clinical teams, and expand access to high-quality, patient-centered care will make a positive difference in the lives of the families we serve throughout our community."

"Healthy families are the foundation of healthy communities," said Dr. Williams. "By building strong internal and external partnerships, we achieve these goals because we are stronger together."

Franklin's Behavioral Health program offers a full continuum of services, including in-person and telehealth appointments supported by two full-time psychiatrists and a dedicated multidisciplinary care team. This integrated approach ensures patients have timely access to high-quality mental health and substance use services, regardless of location or barriers to care.

For more information about behavioral health or substance use services, or to schedule an appointment, please call (251) 444-1133 or visit franklinprimary.org.