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Behavioral Health to expand employee assistance services for state workers

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Behavioral Health Systems Inc. has partnered with the state of Alabama's Division of Risk Management to provide an expanded Employee Assistance Program to more than 27,000 state employees.

The contract, effective Oct. 1, will be available only to employees of participating state agencies. The specific agencies affected were not disclosed.

The additional services offered will include online work/life resources, supervisory and employee training, and critical-incident stress debriefing for employees and their dependents.

"We are honored to have been selected to assist the state in providing a comprehensive program of behavioral health services to include face-to-face evaluation and short-term counseling through our network of 1,900 independent providers in Alabama," said Deborah Stephens, Behavioral Health's founder, chairwoman and CEO, in a news release.

Birmingham-based Behavioral Health has 18 years' experience administering a full range of behavioral health programs, including managed care, employee assistance, wellness and disease management, drug testing, education and training, and workers compensation management. The company's network includes more than 8,200 providers nationwide, serving more than 350 employers covering 375,000 people.

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