The financial viability of the nation’s mental health and addiction treatment organizations is in jeopardy

In June, the National Council For Behavioral Health surveyed community behavioral health care organizations and found they are in imminent danger of collapse due to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Impact On Patients

Despite strategies to maintain care, 71% of organizations have had to cancel, reschedule or turn away patients over the past 3 months.

Lack Of Access To PPE

Over half of organizations say they do not have enough (38%) or are unsure if they have enough PPE (16%) to last the next 2 months.

Need For Relief Funding

Nearly a third of organizations (31%) have not received any CARES Act relief funding. Among those who did receive funding, 39% got less than $50,000.

Future Financial viability

Nearly half of organizations (44%) think they can only survive 6 months or less in the current financial environment.

On average, organizations have lost 24.3% of their revenue during COVID-19.

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The nation’s mental health and substance use disorder providers have been left behind when it comes to COVID relief funding. Time is running out. Congress and the Administration must act quickly to avoid a collapse of the behavioral health safety net and, with it, a secondary and devastating public health catastrophe.

Methodology: This poll was conducted between June 1-June 17, 2020 among a national sample of 664 NCBH Members. The interviews were conducted online. Results from the full survey have a margin of error of plus or minus 4%.