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The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute provides independent, nonpartisan, and trusted policy and program guidance that creates systemic changes so all Texans can obtain effective, efficient behavioral health care when and where they need it. The Institute's vision is for Texas to be the national leader in treating people with mental health needs.

The Institute works at the state and local level to support implementation of services for people with behavioral health needs of all kinds. Addressing opioid use disorders, including among people with co-occurring health and mental health conditions, has become a state policy priority for the next legislative session.

Key principles which guide the work of the Institute include the beliefs that Texans deserve behavioral healthcare that is accessible, understandable, efficient and effective, and that a skilled and robust behavioral health care workforce is essential to improve the wellness of Texans. The Institute believes that in an ideal health care system, most Texans can have their behavioral health care needs met in competent, integrated, primary care settings. Project Echo represents an excellent approach to building this type of capacity among primary care practices to serve individuals with opioid use disorders, which uses expert consultation from Centers of Excellence, and creates access in remote rural and frontier locations. More information on The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute can be found at TexasStateOfMind.org.



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Dell Medical School at The University of Texas at Austin is the first medical school be built at a top-tier research university in nearly 50 years. The school's ambitious vision includes building a world-class medical school by creating a vital, inclusive health ecosystem that supports new and innovative models of education, care and research – all with a focus on improving health locally and making Austin a model healthy city. More information on Dell Medical School can be found at DellMed.UTexas.edu.