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## Media Advisory: Ceremonial Grand Opening & Tour! State-of-the-Art Mental Health Clinic in Grand Prairie

**DALLAS** – Next Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at 11:30 a.m., Metrocare will host a ceremonial ribbon cutting and clinic tour of a new, state-of-the-art mental health clinic for Grand Prairie children and adults. The clinic will open its doors to patients Monday, April 5 at 8:00 a.m.

Located at 1020 South Carrier Parkway, the facility will expand trauma-informed, evidence-based mental health care for up to 130 individuals per day – a 25 percent increase in Metrocare's current clinical capacity in Grand Prairie. Designed by T. Howard + Associates and Corporate Source, the new clinic centers on optimizing the patient experience from clinical space configuration to soundproof engineering to calming furniture selection.

"Our communities are weary after a trying year," says Grand Prairie Mayor Ron Jensen. "Now, more than ever, we need spaces like Metrocare that foster healing and quick access to mental health care."

"Mental health symptoms have quadrupled this past year, making Metrocare even prouder to step up to meet the community's needs," says Metrocare's Chief Executive Officer Dr. John Burruss. "Today marks more than a building's grand opening. It's a glimpse into the patient healing to come."

Metrocare has been offering mental health services in Grand Prairie since August 2012, leasing its current site (832 South Carrier Parkway), a 6,000 square-foot, retrofitted salon. The new clinic offers 10,000 square feet of space designed around patient healing, including a main lobby, two collaborative spaces for clinicians, eight treatment rooms, and space to build an outdoor therapeutic playground.

## Media Attendance for Ceremonial Ribbon Cutting & Clinic Tour Available Upon Request. Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 11:30 A.M.

*Keynote Speakers: Grand Prairie Mayor Ron Jensen and Mayor Pro Tem Jorja Clemson* Event will be streamed via zoom. Contact <u>Tameka.Cass@metrocareservices.org</u> for the link.

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## **About Metrocare Services**

Metrocare is the largest provider of behavioral health services in Dallas County, serving nearly 55,000 adults and children annually. For over 50 years, Metrocare has provided a broad array of services to people with mental health challenges and developmental disabilities from mental health care, primary care centers, services for veterans and their loved ones, accessible pharmacies, housing, and supportive social services. Alongside the clinical care, researchers and teachers from Metrocare's Altshuler Center for Education & Research lead the way in advancing innovative mental health research while training clinicians needed to expand the clinical workforce across the state. For more information, visit metrocareservices.org or call 214-743-1200.