

I am a Licensed Professional Counselor and I work for Behavioral Health Link, which operates crisis/access call center services and mobile crisis outreach for the state of Georgia.

We provide regional overflow coverage for 1-800-SUICIDE and 1-800-273-TALK for the Southeastern United States. BHL has answered the national suicide lines since 2002 and has knowledge of the differences in management support by both KBHC and by Link2Health (MHA of NYC). The benefits of both numbers being operated by Link2Health (MHA of NYC) have been enormous. We believe it is vital that the FCC receive feedback from the 120+ crisis centers across the nation who actually answer the calls and have experience with both networks.

I support SAMHSA taking permanent control of the 1-800-SUICIDE hotline number.