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Kevin A. Huckshorn, PhD, MSN, RN, ICRC, is the Director of Evidence-based Practices and Programs for WellPath Recovery Solutions, Inc. She recently ended her tenure as the hospital director for Bridgewater State Hospital in MA where she and her team transitioned a prison for adult men with serious mental illnesses to a state hospital directed by trauma-informed care and recovery-based practices, under the direction of Governor Baker, MA DOC and WellPath.

Dr. Huckshorn was the past State Director of Delaware's Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (2009-2015). She also served as the acting Delaware Psychiatric Center Director from April 2009 to September 2011 and led the successful resolution of the USDOJ Olmstead settlement agreement with the state.

Dr. Huckshorn is a licensed and certified mental health nurse and substance abuse clinician with practical knowledge from 38 years of professional frontline experience working in a variety of public and private mental health organizations and substance abuse programs. She has extensive experience in both inpatient and outpatient program development including peer-run projects; psychiatric rehabilitation treatment programs for persons with serious mental illness; and recovery-based mental health and substance abuse services. She has published on topics including violence, treatment adherence, and workforce development; serves on the editorial boards of two U.S. peer reviewed mental health journals; and co-authored a book with William Anthony, PhD titled "Principled Leadership in Mental Health Systems and Programs" (2008). Dr. Huckshorn was the past Director of the Office of Technical Assistance for the National Association for State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) and the National Coordinating Center for Seclusion and Restraint Reduction where she led the development of an evidence-based model to prevent violence and the use of seclusion and restraint (2001-2018). This EBP has been adopted in over 35 states and six countries to date.