Community-Based Recovery Supports

Bi-Monthly Teleconference

January 24, 2018 – 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Facilitators:  
NYC: Stephanie Campbell  
Albany: Allison Weingarten  
Rochester: Tammy Butler-Fluitt

Welcome: Stephanie Campbell – Executive Director, FOR-NY  
1:00 pm

Brief Introductions: (name, recovery role, affiliation, updates)  
1:10 pm

Include any new Community-Based Recovery Supports projects/initiatives in your community

1. Albany  
2. New York City  
3. Rochester

OASAS Updates:

- Maria Morris-Groves, Update

Youth notices should go out by next week. Clubhouse reviews should be out shortly. Clubhouses are for four outer New York City boroughs.

- Susan Brandau Update

OASAS has almost completed the reviews of the 24/7 open access center applications. Currently there are three open access centers; hoping to award nine more by end of the month. Currently there are fourteen recovery centers at sixteen locations—The Prevention Council in Saratoga includes three different sites. Currently there is funding for twenty peer engagement specialists and eighteen family support navigators. Eight providers around the state will be piloting a program focused on hospital diversion and wraparound services. In April/May NYS will receive funding from the Federal CURES Act. The grand opening of mobile vans outreach program in Erie County is an exciting new initiative to engage more peers who can help to get more people into treatment. The Recovery Bureau is working with Recovery Community and Outreach Centers to on data collection that will be reported to the County Planning System. Data will provide the opportunity to measure the impact Recovery Community and Outreach Centers are having across NYS. Learning collaborative are scheduled biweekly to share best practices and outreach information.

Friends of Recovery NY Updates - Community-Based Recovery Supports: Stephanie Campbell

Welcome to 2018! Recovery is on the map! Families and youth are doing important work throughout the state. For the upcoming calendar year: FOR-NY Plans to host Recovery Talks around the State again this year. A new, free training: “Building your RCO from the Ground Up—Steps to organizing recovery communities is available as well as, “The 45 Second Elevator Pitch—how to advocate effectively.” We are also hosting RCO Toolkit Webinars and offering Technical Assistance. Each month, FOR-NY hosts an RCO Call; FOR-NY will continue to organize Bi-Monthly Community Based Recovery Supports meetings with locations in Albany, New York City, Rochester and starting next month: Ogdensburg. The Family to Family Resource Guide will be updated to continue to serve as a resource for families impacted by addiction. FOR-NY will be soliciting for the 2018 State-wide Recovery Community Arts Festival. There will be continued trainings Community Asset Mapping, Our Stories Have Power; and the Science of Addiction and Recovery Train the Trainer. A new training is in the works that is modeled after CRAFT. This training utilizes the Center for Motivation and Change to assist families and friends to support loved ones impacted by addiction. FOR-NY is collaborating with Exponents to develop a Peer Professional Supervision and Train the Trainer. FOR-NY will continue to post peer professional training opportunities on our website. FOR-NY will continue our monthly Recovery Talks Newsletter. FOR-NY’s website is available to help support RCOs, RCOCs, Youth Clubhouses. We are working to become a one stop shop for more resources including 24/7 open access centers.
Julia M. Fesko, Director, OASAS Bureau of Talent Management: Peer Professionals looking to obtain their Certificate for the Certified Recovery Peer Advocate must understand that undergoing the training requirements is only part of the certification process. Applicants also must engage in certification process; renewing a certification has no cost associated with it (other than perhaps the trainings), though there is a lot of free training being offered. In a recent hospital DSRIP survey; hospitals are seeking to hire peer professionals.

Stand Up for Recovery Day – Allison Weingarten 1:45 pm
FOR-NY Director of Policy Allison Weingarten reviewed what to expect on Stand Up for Recovery Day 2018.

Presentation: Rob Kent – Chief Counsel 2:00 pm
- Detox in Hospitals: Rob is working on a letter with NYS DOH to hospitals to treat people in need of detox instead of sending them home; advise hospitals (a) you can do it (b) here is how you do it; and (c) here is how you can get reimbursed to do it
- Patient Brokering:
  o This is an area of great concern to OASAS
  o There are treatment options in in New York which OASAS has oversight over—OASAS does NOT have oversight over out of state treatment services.
  o There are out of state providers that offer good treatment but often, it is not good care and that is a problem for NY families in terms of poor treatment and financial loss for the patient/families.
- Peer Advocate Advisory Board:
  o Is interested in the creation of forming a group of peer professionals to bring to the table for discussion on CARC/CRPA issues
- State of the State and Budget (Emphasis on the importance of supporting the Surcharge)

Group Break-out Session: Youth Voices Matter – New York 2:30 pm
YVM-NY leaders facilitated a discussion about building momentum within Youth Voices Matter including building branding; creating popup events throughout the state; connecting young people with resources, using social media as a tool; and coming out in full force on Stand Up For Recovery Day. Youth Voices Matter-NY now has a website. www.youthvoicesmatterny.org

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday March 20, 2018 1:00-3:00 pm