

Community-Based Recovery Supports



Bi-Monthly Teleconference

January 31, 2019 – 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Facilitators: NYC: Rachele Brown Albany: Allison Weingarten Rochester: Van Smith

OASAS Updates: Susan Brandau: Recovery Support Services

- 5 million dollars awarded to outpatient providers to recruit and hire CRPAs and nurse practitioners. 60 providers were identified. Receiving resources to do intentional mindful implementation work. See press release [here](#).
- 37 applicants for recovery community centers RFA- funding minimum of 5 but there could be even more. Review teams are almost finished and then will be sent to the commissioner- hoping for a release by 2/7.
- RFA coming out for buprenorphine induction in hospitals with a peer professional component- See procurement pages on OASAS website [here](#).
- ROcovery Fitness model being replicated in at least two new locations utilizing Federal funding.
- NEW 822 regulations: outpatient providers- new regulations will REQUIRE peer services and collateral family. Regulations for public comment are out until 2/17.
- Clinical advisory panel- OASAS, NYC DOH, provider representatives, will be posted soon. CUNY replication of the CRPA curriculum- created an 80 hour curriculum which included MAT training and employment readiness. (We now have about 900 CRPA and CRPA-P's combined in NYS).
- Questions: Inpatient billing for CRPA's- not allowed yet. Non-OASAS license programs, is there an opportunity to hire and bill for CRPAs- not yet.
- **Marialice Ryan: Recovery Support Services: 2018 Statistics** Peer Engagement Specialists- served 9,000 individuals. 45% served in ER. 85% served within 3 hours of initial contact. 50% referred to treatment.
- Family Support Navigators- served 4,000 families in 17 programs under the RFA. Referrals for treatment were about 1/3 of that.
- Recovery centers- 72,000 visits for the 16 sites.
- 35,000 volunteer hours performed in the centers.
- Hospital diversion wrap-around served ~5,000 individuals. ~50% engaged in MAT and ~50% were diverted from an ER
- 24/7 open access centers- 8 of them are reporting, that they have served ~5,000 individuals. 80% served within 3 hours.
- EMS Transport- possibly allow people to be transported to 24/7 open access services
- **Gia Sciocchetti Youth and Family Recovery Support Services**
 - Community Reinforcement and Family Training- CRAFT clinical training is up and running again, one is in Albany 2/25-27.
 - CRPA-F preliminary curriculum was received, so the trainings will hopefully be available by end of summer.
 - Collegiate programs are in the works for Recovery programming on college campuses.
 - Clubhouses- there are 16 up and running with 18 sites, last year there was 40,000 visits.

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CRPA Training Scholarships

- CRPA Training Scholarships- anyone working as a peer advocate who needs to obtain the CRPA can apply, informational call in on Friday mornings at 10:30am. 150 are available for full scholarships for the best practice training program. CRPA Renewal training is also available. There is some money set aside for people willing to work bilingually in Spanish-English. Find more information [here](#).
- **Upcoming Trainings/Webinars- Theresa Knorr**
 - NYC CAM Training and Networking event 2/25. 3 credits available. Register [here](#).

- SOAR TTT 2/26 with 6 credits available. Register [here](#).
- New website! <https://for-ny.org/>
- Recovery conference Call for Proposals available [here](#).
- **Youth Voices Matter- New York** **Rachelle Brown and Lori Teaney**
 - Lori Teaney- focusing on recruiting youth and young adults for stand up for recovery day. Developing an advisory council using young adults across the state to develop youth recovery community organizations.
 - Rachelle Brown- collaborating with Youth Clubhouses. Rachelle will be attending the networking and training event. Working on pop-up events.

Special Guest 1: AmeriCorps VISTA

Kara Holick- Corporation for national and community service. Provides technical assistance. “Domestic version of the peace- corps.” Dream project that is a community need but do not have the resources to fund the dream project? This is where AmeriCorps VISTA fits in. National service program. Attracts very diverse Americans across the country. 8,500+ currently serving in 4,500+ locations. 800,000 volunteers leveraged, \$206M raised.

- Through AmeriCorps YVM Staff were helped to train and take data. Enables staff to reach hundreds of more people over the year, instrumental in launching the CRPA program. Peer work will help combat opioid addiction. AmeriCorps is currently prioritizing the substance abuse issue. Think of an area in your agency which needs capacity building and reach out to AmeriCorps VISTA. Website: www.nationalservice.gov/VISTA
- Contact Information: Program Officer, Kara Holwick- kholwick@cns.gov, (202) 440-2889

Special Guest 2: Ruth Riddick, New York Certification Board at ASAP

Ruth Riddick oversees New York City-based Community Outreach & Communications at ASAP with a particular focus on the work of its New York Certification Board which certifies the peer recovery profession in NYS. Ruth is a Certified Addiction Recovery Coach and a designated Recovery Coach Professional, as well as an experienced trainer in the recovery field.

- Tom Hill was part of SAMSHA developing the definition of recovery. We’re all working with the hope of recovery, recovery is a beacon of hope. Tom asks us to go one step further: recovery is an expectation. Recovery across a lifetime.
- Career in Peer Recovery
 - Training scholarships are one piece of the picture. There are also OASAS funded scholarships for all fees associated with certification. ASAP has scholarships for applications etc. When candidates are ready to apply for CRPA certification we ask that your candidates go to home page of [NYCB website](#). NYCB Covers application fee (\$100) and peer recovery exam (\$80)
 - If you are an employer and you have jobs to post please email Ruth that information and Ruth will distribute it. Ruth Riddick email: rriddick@asapnys.org
 - CRPA-Family: a parenthetical, or specialty, that wants to work with families as Medicaid billable. Only working with someone with a family member under 21. Not available to anyone who isn’t already a CRPA but may be in the future.

Special Guest 3: NYS Ombuds Program: Lynn Goldberg

- CHAMP- community health access to addiction or mental health.
- Concerns center around insurance denials and lack of understanding about needs of care; individuals not understanding rights, CHAMP has a helpline in which specialists across the state, work with individuals one-on-one on the phone or in person. Helpline Mon-Fri 9-4, 888-614-5400
- ombuds@oasas.ny.gov Write legal@oasas.ny.gov if someone is denied access.
- Please report legal concerns- OASAS needs justification for additional funds and resources

Stand Up for Recovery Day (March 20) Overview – See powerpoint attached!

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 28 2019, 1:00-3:00 pm