

COMMUNITY-BASED RECOVERY SUPPORTS

MONTHLY TELECONFERENCE

June 18, 2020 from 1:00-3:00pm



Facilitators: Angelia Smith- Wilson and Allison Weingarten

Welcome: Angelia Smith-Wilson, Executive Director – FOR-NY **1:00 pm**

Introductions: (*name, recovery role, affiliation, updates*) **1:05 pm**

Use your organization's logo as your profile picture on zoom and introduce yourself in the zoom instant messaging feature!

OASAS Updates: **1:15 pm**

Susan Brandau - Peer Integration Team

- Working to get peer services tele practice billing extended beyond July 6th
- Alumni Association meeting tomorrow night, June 19th contact Willie Townes for more information
- Receiving a lot of feedback on Fentanyl. Working on new campaign to address this.
- Jesse Chapman in Rensselaer and the Naloxone NOW program has hand delivered 120+ Naloxone kits
- New curriculum to help prepare CRPAs to work in hospital ED, CRPA Curriculum- how do we design a curriculum to help peers become better prepared to work in an ED. Two virtual pilot trainings will occur in July, need people with training skills to also attend as a prerequisite for a TTT to follow Commencing work to develop a .
- Trainings in a Box (TiB) available on OASAS' website, Patient-centered care one example. Commencing work on a TiB for both Peer supervision and peer engagement . <https://oasas.ny.gov/training/clinical-support>
- Lifeline- Assurance phones. Available online- additional data and unlimited minutes extended to June 30th https://www.assurancewireless.com/partner/psearch?gclsrc=aw.ds&&gclid=Cj0KCQjwoaz3BRDnARIsAF1RfLcHtg6XgHsy9LUCX-0tdjHEQ2ONrfiYon-czH9Z4KubAWar-fnafEQaApGIEALw_wcB

Lureen McNeil - Bureau of Recovery Services

- Virtual Recovery Summit- developing a sustainability plan for RCOs, clubhouses, RCOs etc. One session Monday, and then following Monday. Series will be available, they are being recorded. Contact Lureen.mcneil@oasas.ny.gov to view the recordings
- 3 office hours will take place around sustainability plans over the summer.

FOR-NY Updates

- Faces & Voices diversity & inclusion in the recovery community discussion can be viewed here- <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=873475473156358>
 - Will be seeking Black & Brown members of the Recovery Community to work with & advise FOR-NY to address racial inequities of the Black and brown Community
 - Question- How do we get involved in the workgroup?
Answer- stay tuned! Once available, the information will be available in our newsletter

Training

- CRPA Training Scholarships are STILL AVAILABLE!
 - information and FAQ S go here: <https://for-ny.org/crpa-scholarships/>
 - email Shannon Schielke sschielke@for-ny.org for more information

- Our Stories Have Power TTT- June 30th 1:00 – 4:00 - <https://app.donorview.com/6KIEN>
- Overdose and Suicide Loss in the Behavioral Health Workplace Training (Deb Rhoades) NEW DATES - July 27th, 28th and 29th - \$150 / \$175 for social work credits- To register: <https://app.donorview.com/DRGRr>

YVM

- Subscribe to weekly e-blast here- <https://app.donorview.com/0JrN>
- Virtual Recovery Lounge kickoff event happening next Friday from 2-4pm!
https://albany.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcoc-mprszjGd1b7EvS5r_KGggkNzQ4vuaa

Discussion and Review of Federal Day of Action (June 17) and Next Steps:

1:45 pm

- Hosted 5 meetings- building relationships & networking!
- If anyone wasn't able to set up a meeting, please contact Allison at aweingarten@for-ny.org advocacy isn't just a one-day thing!

What went well?

- Personal story application, Senator Carlucci seemed to really appreciate it
- Relationship building
- Learning how to work better with Zoom
- North country coming together and discussing needs for rural communities
- Congressman Morelle sharing that his family is in recovery was very powerful & connective
 - Impressed with Congressman Morelle's interest and knowledge about recovery
- Congressman Delgado constituency had planning sessions & came up with an agenda and the meeting was able to go very smoothly

Legislative Updates /Advocacy Needs Discussion

1:55 pm

Senator Peter Harckham, Chair of Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

- Joelle Foskett- In works to include peer support services with the rest of health services to include telehealth – [S.8609/A.10665](https://legis.ny.gov/leginfo/laws/2020/Chapter-10665)

Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal, Chair of Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

- Include Commissioner of OASAS on disaster preparedness initiative was **passed**
- Encourage you to send information on what you have been experiencing and witnessing to those that are on this panel
- Telehealth bill was passed, now audio-only will be included in tele-health. Both state and federal government need to approve provisions and then it will be Medicaid billable
- Eviction moratoriums expire Monday, need to advocate for tenants. People cannot afford to be evicted right now.
- Question- are there any expected budget cuts in near future due to the impact of COVID?
 - Answer- 100 legislators signed a statement the was sent today to tax the uber wealthy.
<http://fiscalpolicy.org/legislators-unite-for-people-centered-recovery> Governor has said that there must be cuts but that he would wait until Congress votes on the next stimulus bill.

Ruth Riddick, NYCB

- ASAP Peer exam prep workshop will be virtual, but it is already filled. HOWEVER, if you are already scheduled to take the exam in July or August, contact Ruth directly at rriddick@asapnys.org to see if you can be added
 - Question- will this be recorded? Answer- no. It is a live participation opportunity.
 - Question- is there a waiting list? Answer- yes, there is already one. Prioritizing people that already have exams scheduled for July or August
 - We're repeating on Fridays, September 26 and December 11 flyer included in FOR-NY E-bulletin. We're now taking applications for September; coming sooner than we think!
- Veteran Support Recovery Validation Survey- developing a veteran supported recovery specialty certification. Hoping it is good to go 2021. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ASAP-NYCB>

Closing and Next Steps

2:55 pm

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 23, 2020 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM