

COMMUNITY-BASED RECOVERY SUPPORTS



BI-MONTHLY TELECONFERENCE

November 18, 2021 from 1:00-3:00pm

Facilitator: Allison Weingarten

Welcome: Allison Weingarten, Director of Policy– 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! Answer the question- "What does recovery mean to you and how does your work impact recovery?"

OASAS Updates:

1:10pm

- Trisha Schell-Guy –OASAS Deputy Counsel

Transitioning to DOH as Director of Medicaid Policy, will still be involved with including addiction and recovery in policy there. Tobacco Limited out for public comment. Tobacco free policies were causing challenges – agencies losing clients, now providers can apply for a waiver, changing to tobacco limited facilities, money coming out soon including federal level so conversations need to start happening now, in treatment sphere – SAMHSA will extend rules of take-home meds, will extend a year past the pandemic. SAPT grants including recovery services. Mobile medication will roll-out. Look under procurement grants on website. <https://oasas.ny.gov/procurement>

Residential capacity, working with program to make sure facilities are opening up safely and increasing admissions to get back (eventually) to 90%.

- Pat Lincourt - Associate Commissioner

Regional response for transportation. Met with regional networks. Funding was in SOR2. Getting regional proposals. Meeting with networks about having an asset in each region, addressing barriers. Looking to result in a person/place/service to navigate barriers. Working with Hopeline to better meet the needs of folks with addiction. Partnered with Partnership to End Addiction to create map with recovery services so Hopeline staff has access to that information. Posting for Bureau Director of Recovery. Work for Us - Vibrant Emotional Health <https://www.vibrant.org/get-involved/work-for-us/>

- Fred Hodges- Bureau of Recovery Services

Lureen retired. 30-30 was for those seeking support for recovery, including multiple pathways. December 1st roll out with OASAS website. Centers maintain COVID precautions. As we enter the holidays: Reestablishing self-worth, relationships with families, recovery centers to teach life skills, reclaim sense of self, and fulfilling potential. In residential facilities, can there be incentives for vaccinated folks? Additional outing perks, understanding why folks are hesitant/resistant. Encouraging vaccinations. Surveying recovery community?

- Stephanie Campbell- Ombuds Office

Honoring the 100,000 individuals who have died of overdose in the past 12 months. Working on crisis stabilization. Peers and recovery are being integrated in continuum conversations. CHAMP office has helped over 5,000 individuals with care and health insurance, budget was doubled to get more pieces in place to get folks services and help information state partners. Appropriate level of care – medication may be more vital than a bed for some folks.

- Luis Laboy, the Alumni Association

Alumni Association meeting tonight. Support, care, employment – join! Celebrating Veteran’s Day and OASAS retirees.

NYS Alumni Association meeting tonight--Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84904280217?pwd=YjI1WHB1eIRQSDNXelo0eCt4T2t1QT09>

Meeting ID: 849 0428 0217

Passcode: 009586

One tap mobile

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LUIS LABOY 718-598-1390

FOR-NY, NYS RCOC Network, Alumni Association, ASAP/NYCB Updates

1:30 pm

Ruth Riddick – ASAP held annual veteran summit, veteran supported recovery certification is happening, took 2 years, 5 hour orientation launched on Veteran’s Day, 20 hour training announced as well. On online management system. Questions re certification? Ruth Riddick, ASAP-NYCB, rriddick@asapnys.org

Bill Doyle – RCOC Network call tomorrow. Working on graphic to show links between treatment, prevention, and harm reduction – linkage to housing, life skills, food. Having RCOCs listed as part of treatment discharge.

Theresa Knorr – recovery conference certificates going out soon. Recovery Conference videos coming out soon. Before end of the year, spend your training dollars! Wellness for Peer Professionals, Clinicians and Families Training: December 15, 16 and TOT December 20th: <https://app.donorview.com/QOODy>

Science of Addiction and Recovery Training: November 29th: <https://app.donorview.com/X44kK>

Peer Professional Supervision: Dec 1,2,3: <https://app.donorview.com/AVVmQ>

Our Stories Have Power: Virtual: Dec 8, <https://app.donorview.com/bkrnO> Hybrid live in Saratoga Dec 13th

Ben Riker – developing policy statement and advocacy efforts. Fantastic network of service providers and youth survey. Training at Saugerties High School this week – lots of excellent story telling from youth. Youth aren’t getting referrals to recovery services because there are only 17 clubhouses. If any input from service providers who work with 18-30 year olds, please contact Ben or Ashton.

SURD – Tuesday, February 8th. Will be virtual. Ambassadors have been contacted. Virtual allows for over double the participation – had over 3,000 participants last year. Policy Statement will be released soon, as results are still being reviewed by a policy panel. Ambassadors in a virtual capacity get folks from their region to log on and watch the livestream, then make legislative appointments all afternoon via Zoom (FOR-NY will help/host trainings). Legislative meetings can also fall around the date – don’t have to just occur on day of SURD.

Legislative Updates /Advocacy Needs Discussion

2:00 pm

- Gil Ruiz, Senior Advisor at The Office of Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand

Looking into money coming in and how/when to disperse, working with SAMHSA, still working to pass full authorization – public health package next year possible. Senator fighting for caregiving priorities

- The Office of Congressman Paul Tonko

Colleen Willisms - Medicaid reentry act currently in House version of Build Back Better Act, MAT Act has over 200 co-sponsors – call to action for advocacy if representatives are not co-sponsors

- Therese Daly, Director of Correspondence for Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins

Gearing up for upcoming Legislative Session. Will co-host next RCO call.

- Joelle Foskett, Legislative Director, Senator Pete Harckham, Chair of Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

losed correctional facilities to be used for multiple services, hopefully co-prescribing with opioid rx, counsel of treatment equity, and Medicaid auth bills will pass before end of year.

Wellness Check in

2:45 pm

Thinking of Jacob Weakland who passed recently and all the lives he touched. #sayhisname

Congratulations to Maddie Hogan, new employee at FOR-NY

Closing and Next Steps

2:55 pm

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 20, 2022 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Attendees and Notes from Chat:

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Long Island Recovery Association

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Hi all! Bill Doyle, Seaway Valley Prevention Council/ The Valley RCOG

Caren Schwartz - Coordinator Friends of Recovery Rockland schwartz.caren@gmail.com

Alison McLean Lane, Legislative Director, NYS Assemblymember Phil Steck, chair of the Assembly committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse.

Bill Bopp foundations recovery community center Rockland county ny bbopp@rcadd.org

Stephanie Campbell, Director NYS Behavioral Health Ombudsman Office - CHAMP

Tim Bax, FOR-Greater Erie and IHNO-In His Name Outreach Counseling & Recovery Services in Buffalo.

Nikolette Duesler-Bailey

Brian Barr Senior Hope Counseling, President of the board. 650 Warren St. Albany, NY 518 489- 7777. Nicole MacFarland, PhD, Executive Director.

Brittany Peters - PES with ADAC of Orange County. CRPA in training & working to revamp the FOR -NY Orange County group. bpeters@adacinfo.com

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Denise Alba

Bill Bopp

Luis Laboy

Tracy Lanza

Casey King: For those in upstate NY a new program is
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/soberactivercoveryadironclack>

From Long Island Recovery Association:

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Thanksgiving Day One Recovery Meeting
Thursday, November 25
1:30 – 3:00

In person at:

THRIVE Recovery Center
1324 Motor Parkway Suite 102
Hauppauge, NY
and on Zoom

Join the Scheduled Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86159252748>

Meeting ID: 861 5925 2748

One tap mobile: 929-205-6099

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Evening of Gratitude

November 27, 2021

7-10:00 PM

One Recovery meeting with a party to follow.

@THRIVE Recovery Center

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For any questions email:

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Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!!!