

Joint Mental Health & Addiction Recovery Subcommittee
April 9, 2021

Present: Julie Beebe, Joe Cavallo, Sharon Zayachek, Josh Gray, Andrea Deepe, Holly Irion, Belinda Bradley, Jessica Robertson, Audrey Shaw, Kathy Wright, Ashley Livingston, Joleen Darby, Rebecca Evansky, Rebecca Ryan, Davia Gaddy, Dean Clickner, Katherine Chambers, Dianne Hamm, Mary McLaughlin, Jackie Foster, Todd, Monahan, Jennifer Hill, Keith Stack, Traves Bethel, Carissa Parot, Lisa Baker, Lori Bishop, Sabrina Herlick, Stephanie Ball, Matthew Ryan, Susan Dziuba

Staff: Robert York, Carrie Wright, Crystal Mallory

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Introductions	The meeting was held via Zoom. Introductions were and the meeting began at 10:00am.	N/A
Agency/Program Presentations Peer Services: Warren Washington Rose House Joleen Darby, Chief Operating Officer, Dean Clickner, Site Director	Rose House provides adults (18+) living with significant mental health or co-occurring (MH/SUD) issues who are or are at severe risk of experiencing a crisis, with short-term residential support services that are engaging, trauma-informed, empathetic, and hopeful, and designed to help guests (i.e. service users) to meet their goals & objectives. We are peer-run; this means our agency is 100% made up of people with their own lived experience with mental health or addiction issues, recovery, and moving towards wellness. We follow a self-referral process. However, we fully welcome and support the participation of people's various care providers and natural supports in this process, including but not limited to all of the referral sources outlined in the attached presentation, as long as the person in need is actively involved in and at the center of all decision making processes. Rose House Contact Information: (518) 502-1172.	
Hope and Healing Recovery Center Ashley Livingston, Recovery Advocate/Trainer; Co-Chair, Friends of Recovery Katherine Chambers, Director of Restorative Practices, Council for Prevention	The Hope and Healing Recovery Community Center, located at 2 Maple Street in Hudson Falls, is here to demonstrate hope, build recovery capital and help sustain long-term recovery. We are a substance free, supportive, recovery oriented sanctuary in the heart of the community offering a safe place to be on the journey in recovery. People, 18 years of age or older, in all stages of recovery, are welcome, and needed, as we are a peer-driven and peer-delivered support services based organization. We are not looking to duplicate any existing resources and we are not a drop-in center, an outpatient treatment facility, a twelve-step club or simply a place to hang out. They are there to help you with your recovery. They are a HOPE DEALER! https://www.sararecovery.org/hudson-falls/	

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<p>Warren-Washington Association for Mental Health; Rebecca Ryan, Director of Dual Recovery - Joshua Gray, Director of Support Services</p> <p>Baywood Center Jackie Foster, Director of Outpatient Services</p> <p>Addictions Care Center of Albany Keith Stack, CEO Joe Cavallo, Coordinator, Mobile Recovery Unit</p>	<p>J. Gray & R. Ryan reviewed how Peer Services got started at WWAMH, what they offer, the value of Peer Support, and their goals moving forward. Attached is their presentation, email; www.wwamh.org and contact info; OUR PEER LINE: 518-401-5991; REBECCA RYAN, 518-338-9016; RRYAN@WWAMH.ORG; JOSHUA GRAY, 518-793-2352 JGRAY@WWAMH.ORG</p> <p>Baywood Center specializes in the treatment of substance use disorders, opioid addiction, and mental health issues through the use of outpatient programs, aftercare support and therapy. J. Foster stated their main goal is the continuum of care. Phone: 518-798-4221</p> <p>K. Stack stated he hopes the Men's Residence will be open in December, 2021. J. Cavallo spoke regarding his experiences being a Certified Peer Recovery Advocate (CRPA) and the importance of Peer Services. His Mobile Recovery Unit assists with medicated assisted treatment, Suboxone & Vivitrol, telemedicine, same day access, individual and family counseling and case management, health screening and assessments, treatment planning, outreach and educational services and referrals. His cell phone number is 518-410-5285. S. Dziuba discussed operations at the Women's Residence.</p>	
<p>Law Enforcement Addiction and Mental Health Referral System (LEAMHRS)</p>	<p>R. York discussed the new LEAMHRS system that allows law enforcement officers to do an online referral to have immediate outreach.</p>	
<p>2021-22 NYS Budget update</p>	<p>R. York reviewed items of interest in a memo produced by the NYS Conference of Local Mental Hygiene Directors relative to the proposed NYS Executive Budget.</p>	
<p>2022 Local Services Planning Cycle</p>	<p>R. York stated the Local Services Plan is usually due to NYS on June 1st; however the date has been pushed back to August 1st due to the pandemic. We will incorporate needs related to COVID-19 impacts.</p>	
<p>Community Services/Criminal Justice Task Force updates</p>	<p>C. Wright spoke regarding the CJCS Task Force. Over the past two years the group has transformed and merged with the Hometown vs. Heroin and Addiction Coalition, previously organized by the Council for Prevention. They now have identified 11 Priorities for Change and 4 Workgroups that have monthly meetings.</p>	

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Informational Items: School-based MH clinic services Agency Updates: WWAMH Alliance for Positive Health OASAS	<p>BHSN continues to expand their school-based services sites in Warren and Washington Counties. Recent applications include Johnsburg, Minerva and Hudson Falls Elementary schools.</p> <p>A. Deepe reports there will be an Open House ribbon cutting celebration May 17th at the new Cooper Street Apartment building.</p> <p>S. Herlick provided updates and shared her contact information: 518-419-1578.</p> <p>D. Gaddy emailed April and May Dates for Vaccine Education for OASAS & OMH Service Recipients and Providers Follow Up to Office Hours for Frontline Workers: Hope and Resiliency.</p>	
Adjournment and Next Meeting	<i>The meeting adjourned at 12pm. The next meeting of the Mental Health / Addiction Recovery Subcommittees of the Warren and Washington County Community Services Boards is scheduled for Friday, July 09, 2021, 10a-12 noon via Zoom.</i>	N/A

Minutes respectively submitted by Crystal Mallory, Secretary to the Boards