



## **Erie County Opiate Epidemic Task Force**

**Quarterly Meeting  
May 6, 2019  
Treatment Workgroup**



**Chair:**

**Michael Ranney, LMHC**

Commissioner of Mental  
Health

**Co-Chair:**

**Julie Gutowski, LMHC**

VP of Clinical Operations and  
Services, Spectrum Health &  
Human services

- **The work group continues with representation of treatment and prevention providers, family members, peers, hospitals, treatment court representation, managed care representation, Erie County staff as well as representation from NYS OASAS.**
- **Meetings are face to face or conference calls.**

# Treatment Access

- **OMH state operated clinics will be offering MAT to patients.**
- **Medication Assisted Treatment-MAT**
  - *Rapid Access*
- **Update on status of Survey**
  - **Reviewed with OASAS**
  - **Meetings and conversations with orgs. to improve access.**

- ❑ **CHASE-NIDA County Hub and Spoke Empowerment (CHASE) grant.**
- ❑ **Recently awarded MISSION CJ grant to enhance and expand care management services to the Opioid Intervention Court.**
- ❑ **Crisis Intervention Team grant-training for law enforcement that includes substance use disorder education & targets services for veterans.**
- ❑ **Jail Substance Use Disorder services- to those incarcerated in County facilities-specifically targets sentenced inmates at the Correctional Facility with psych-ed., CBI, & Motivational Interviewing to identify, educate and link to treatment.**

- ❑ **Family Treatment Drug Court-** brings care management and wraps services around the entire family with the goal to keep the family together.
- ❑ **Critical Time Intervention Supported Housing Pilot-** For those leaving intensive residential treatment, 16 slots. Facilitates community transition and supports independence in the community.
- ❑ **Open Access Center by Horizon**
  - ❑ OASAS requested consideration of physical center instead of the virtual HUB and Spoke model that was approved. Horizon in consultation with other partners has determined there is not an immediate need as same day and walk in appts. available. OASAS decided to end the project as proposed at this time.
  - ❑ Resources did not support the ongoing operation of a 24/7 regional center for Erie, Niagara, Alleghany, Cattaraugus and Chautauqua.
  - ❑ Horizon and partners in the project continue to work on goal of quick access, treatment and linkages.

## Hotline

*Operated by Crisis Services 24/7*

- ❖ Provides callers from the community a point of access for information, referral, linkage to treatment and support.
- ❖ Medication Assisted Treatments and Motivational Interviewing trained. This has been woven into phone counselor script to promote MAT and facilitate referrals for callers.
- ❖ Integrate into Substance Use Disorder Treatment system
- ❖ Call volume since implementation 8/2016: 6075
- ❖ Call volume 2019: 598



Thank you  
for your  
support,  
dedication  
and hard  
work

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