



ERIE COUNTY DEPT. OF MENTAL HEALTH (ECDMH)

National County Government Month (NCGM), held each April, is an annual celebration of county government. **#NCGM**

This year's National County Government Month theme is consistent with NACo President Denise Winfrey's focus for the year, ***Counties RISE!***

- **RISE!** stands for **Resiliency, Inclusion, Solvency and Empowerment** - and *the exclamation point speaks to the enthusiasm and passion with which we tell those stories.*

Over the next few weeks, we will be sharing current projects and work the Department is involved in within our community.

- ***LOOKING FOR A CAREER IN THE REWARDING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OR HUMAN SERVICES FIELDS?***

The **Erie County Department of Mental Health** is again facilitating a **Behavioral Health & Human Services Career Fair** to be held on **Wednesday, June 7th** from **11am-2pm and 4pm-6pm** at the **Buffalo Niagara Convention Center**.

Last year we had **50 provider agencies** who participated, and we expect a similar attendance this June! Agencies are looking to fill a wide range of clinical, support, residential, peer, and administrative support roles among others. We will be sharing our Career Fair flyer over the coming weeks where you will be able to scan a QR Code with the camera on your phone that will take you to the full list of attending provider agencies with links to their career opportunities to view in advance. **Many agencies will be offering onsite interviews so career seekers should be prepared with their resumes.**

New beginnings await...bring your best and join us on June 7th!

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- **Since its inception in 2016, the Erie County Department of Mental Health (ECDMH) has acted as a co-chair to facilitate the Treatment Workgroup of the Erie County Opioid Epidemic Task Force.**

Subsequently treatment providers in Erie County have made significant strides to improve and increase access to addiction treatment and support services; including but not limited to:

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- Increased peer and family support services;
 - Walk-in and same day appointments;
 - Greatly expanded medication assistance for Opioid Use Disorder-*with over 11,000 slots available for Buprenorphine*;
 - Significantly expanded access to Vivitrol and rapid induction of buprenorphine;
 - Doubled the availability of Opioid Treatment Program slots (Methadone Maintenance); and
 - Deployed mobile treatment units.

With the advocacy and support of **County Executive Poloncarz** and the **Erie County Legislature**, **ECDMH funding for the 24/7 Addiction Hotline at Crisis Services continues.**

If you are looking for more information on addiction services or related family support, please call: 716-831-7007 - Recovery Happens!

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