



Niagara County Community Services Board Agenda

Meeting Date & Time: Monday, October 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm

1. Community Services Board (CSB) Meeting Call to Order
2. Meeting Minutes
 - A. *Approval of September 15, 2025 CSB Meeting Minutes
3. Membership:
 - A. Membership Review
 - B. Sub-committee Review
4. Director's Report:
 - **Correspondence – Review by Director:**
 1. Letters, Memorandums & E-mails:
 - Correspondence listed on separate page, attached
 - ***Certificate of Need (CON) / Prior Approval Reviews (PAR)**
 - ***CON** Recovery Center of Niagara Application for 12 swing beds between medically supervised and inpatient beds
 - **EzPar**
 - **Informational –**
 - Horizon Health Services Administrative Action Requests 9/19/25:
 - #1481: Change in operating hours at Newfane Middle School School-Based Satellite at school district's request
 - #11482: Change in operating hours at Newfane High School School-Based Satellite at school districts request
 - #11565: change in school-based satellite office location at Niagara Wheatfield Middle School
 - **Corporate Compliance**
 - Annual CSB Training
 - **Program/Systems Updates**
 - Oxford House – Presentation – Joe Beszczynski and Chandra Brown
 - Hillside Children's Center new Residential Treatment Facility for Youth with Mental Health Challenges and Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities (Rochester – Monroe Campus) Emerson 8-bed unit
 - **President's Report**
 - 2026 Officer Elections – Process
 - **Executive Session –**
 - **Adjournment**

Future CSB Meeting Date: November TBD, 2025

***voting items**

Distributed Items at Meeting:

- A. Agenda
- B. *CSB Draft Meeting Minutes for September 15, 2025
- C. Current 2025 CSB Membership Roster

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Correspondence Listing, Agenda Item 4-1 - Director's Report
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- A. Niagara County Community Services Board Meeting Notices:
 - 1. Niagara County Community Services Board Monday, October 20, 2025 Meeting Notice - dated, October 6, 2025.
 - 2. Notifications to two County Newspapers regarding October 20, 2025 Meeting scheduling Notice - dated, October 9, 2025.
- B. Correspondence Maria Torgalski, Director, OPWDD, to Myrla Gibbons-Doxey, Deputy Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services, regarding Extension request # SBPV-121824-2-WS, dated December 27, 2024.
- C. Correspondence from Dena Holmes, Director, Office of Addiction Services and Support, to Erin DiGirolamo, CEO, Horizon Village, Inc. regarding amended Operating Certificates #270212159, dated August 6, 2025.
- D. Correspondence from Dena Holmes, Director, Office of Addiction Services and Support, to Erin DiGirolamo, CEO, Horizon Village, Inc., regarding Recertification of OASAS-certified programs, dated September 17, 2025.
- E. Correspondence from Dena Holmes, Director, Office of Addiction Services and Support, to Erin DiGirolamo, CEO, Horizon Village, Inc., regarding amended operating certificate # 270410812 & 280411662, dated September 17, 2025.
- F. Correspondence from Sonija Marinovic, Mental Health Program Specialist II, Office of Mental Health, to Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services, regarding Performance Improvement Plan, dated September 23, 2025.
- G. Correspondence from Megan Bartolomei, MHPS2, Office of Mental Health, to Carolyn DeFranco, CEO New View Alliance, regarding Performance Improvement Plan, dated September 26, 2025.
- H. Correspondence from Meredith Love, MHPS2, Office of Mental Health, to Cindy Lee, CEO, Baker Hall, regarding Performance Improvement Plan, dated October 2, 2025
- I. Correspondence from Nicholas Kester, Senior Planner, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health and Substance abuse Services, to Myrla Gibbons-Doxey, Deputy Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health and Substance abuse Services, regarding reminder Notice for 10/23/25 CSB Joint Planning Meeting.

Newspaper Articles:

1. Union Sun & Journal, "Those in crisis need to know that help is near", by Cindy Lee, dated 9/25/25
2. Union Sun & Journal, "Community Missions to hold 15th annual event at Bacon Memorial church", dated 10/4/25
3. Union Sun & Journal, "Licensed art therapy should be covered in NY", by Leah Damour, dated 10/5/25
4. Union Sun & Journal, "BestSelf gets \$250K for crisis center", by Jonathan D. Epstein, dated 10/6/25
5. Buffalo News, "State to create new \$218M health records system", dated 10/6/25