



Niagara County Community Services Board

Agenda

Meeting Date & Time: Monday, January 26, 2026 at 6:00 pm

1. Community Services Board (CSB) Meeting Call to Order
2. Meeting Minutes
 - A. *Approval of December 1, 2025 CSB Meeting Minutes
 - B. Informational – December 11, 2025 CSB Individual Subcommittee Meeting Minutes draft
3. Membership:
 - A. Membership Review
New Applications
 - James Muehlbauer
 - B. Sub-committee Review
2026 CSB Subcommittee Meeting Schedule
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 levels of care.
Joe Chelales, Recovery Center of Niagara to be present
 - *** EzPar –**
 - **Informational –**
 - New View Alliance/Gateway/New Directions Merger
 - Catholic Charities Monsignor Carr Institute Lockport site relocation
 - **Corporate Compliance**
 - **Program/Systems Updates**
 - Oxford House
 - Federal Grants and Actions
 - NCDMH Department 2026 Goals
 - **President's Report**
 - **Executive Session**
 - **Adjournment**

Future CSB Meeting Date: March 16, 2026

***voting items**

Distributed Items at Meeting:

- A. Agenda
- B. *CSB Draft Meeting Minutes for December 1, 2026
- C. Current 2026 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, January 26, 2026 Meeting Notice - dated, January 16, 2026.
 - 2. Notifications to two County Newspapers regarding January 26, 2026 Meeting scheduling Notice - dated, January 20, 2025.
- B. Correspondence from Monique Grimm, Bureau Director, Dept of Health, to Administration, Niagara County Department of Mental Health, regarding CSN distribution calculation, dated November 24, 2025.
- C. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept of Mental Health, to Elizabeth Woike, BestSelf Behavioral Health, regarding Notice of Non-Renewal of Contract, dated December 1, 2025.
- D. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept of Mental Health, to Chairman, Niagara County Legislature, regarding Community Services Board appointment, dated December 30, 2025.
- E. Correspondence from Dena Holmes, Director, OASAS, to Avi Isreal, CEO, Save the Michaels of the World, Inc., regarding Operating certificate renewal, dated January 2, 2026.
- F. Correspondence from Dena Holmes, Director, OASAS, to Lindsay Herndon, CEO, Cazenovia Recovery Systems, Inc., regarding Operating Certificate amendment, dated December 31, 2025.
- G. Correspondence from Jenn Leumer, CFO, Cazenovia Recovery, to OASAS, regarding OASAS extension of Vocational Rehabilitation Program Funding, dated January 8, 2026.
- H. Correspondence from Rabiah Gaynor, Associate Commissioner, OASAS, to Michael j. Filicetti, Sheriff, Niagara County Sheriff's Office, regarding approval of County Jail-Based Service Plan, dated January 16, 2026.
- I. Correspondence from Carolyne DeFranco, CEO, New View Alliance, Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept of Mental Health, regarding organizational change-merge, dated January 20, 2026.

Newspaper Articles:

1. Buffalo News, "Mental health report finds services lacking in county", by Jon Harris, dated 12/18/25
2. Buffalo News, "Us overdose deaths fell through most of 2025, data revealed", by Mike Stobbe, dated 1/20/26