



Niagara County Community Services Board

Agenda

Meeting Date & Time: Monday, January 27, 2024 at 6:00 pm

1. Community Services Board (CSB) Meeting Call to Order
2. Meeting Minutes
 - A. *Approval of December 2, 2024 CSB Meeting Minutes
 - B. Informational – December 19, 2024 CSB Mental Health Subcommittee 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** – NYSARC Inc. – Cattaraugus Niagara Counties Chapter (DBA InTandem) – Close and decertify Site Based Prevocational Services located at 1555 Fashion Outlets Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY
 - * EzPar –**
 - NCDMH – Establish an OMH-Licensed School Based Satellite Clinic in the Lockport City School District High School
 - Informational –**
 - Jewish Family Services – establishing non-traditional school-based services in the Niagara Falls City School District
 - NYSARC Inc. – Cattaraugus Niagara Counties Chapter (DBA InTandem) – Prior Consult to close ICF homes and convert to IRAs
 - **Corporate Compliance**
 - **Program/Systems Updates**
 - Opioid RFP - Attorney General Dollars
 - 988/Crisis Services Staffing Re-design - Update
 - Niagara/Orleans Trauma, Illness & Grief Consortium (TIG) – Update
 - Mindly For Students
 - NFMCC Emergency Department Collaboration Efforts
 - **President's Report**
 - **Executive Session – Corporate Compliance 2024 Annual Review Report Out**
 - **Adjournment**

Future CSB Meeting Date: TBD

***voting items**

Distributed Items at Tonight's Meeting:

- A. Agenda

- B. *CSB Draft Meeting Minutes for October 21, 2024
- C. CSB Joint Subcommittee Meeting Minutes - November 13, 2024
- D. Current 2024 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 27, 2025 Meeting Notice - dated, January 16, 2025.
 - 2. Notifications to two County Newspapers regarding January 27, 2025 Meeting scheduling Notice - dated, January 16, 2025.
- B. Correspondence from Chinazo Cunningham, Commissioner OASAS to Kristi Yerger, Northpointe Council, dated November 12, 2024, regarding OSF medication of opioid use disorder (MOUD) in jails.
- C. Correspondence from Anton Mirtshev, Supervisor OASAS to Douglas Usiak, WNY Independent Living, regarding WNY Independent Living Draft Report AL-24006, dated November 27, 2024.
- D. Save the Michaels of the World, Inc. Corrective Action Plan, dated May 21, 2024.
- E. Application for Renewal of Program, Community Missions, Inc., dated December 2, 2024.
- F. Correspondence from Myrla Gibbons Doxey, Deputy Director, to Kimberly Peters, Sisters of Charity Case Management Agency, dated December 2, 2024, regarding invitation to participate in Niagara County Adult SPOA committee.
- G. Correspondence from Myrla Gibbons Doxey, Deputy Director, to Kimberly Peters, Sisters of Charity Case Management Agency, dated December 2, 2024, regarding Letter of support to serve the Health Home Plus for serious mental illness (SMI) population in Niagara County.
- H. Correspondence from Dena Holmes, Director OASAS, to Kristi Yerger, Northpointe Council, dated December 4, 2024, regarding Operating Certificate # 271110656 renewed.
- I. Correspondence from Eric Anderson, OMH, to Maureen Wendt, The Dale Association, dated December 13, 2024, regarding performance improvement plan.
- J. Correspondence from Myrla Gibbons Doxey, Deputy Director, to Maria Torgalski, Director NYS OPWDD, dated December 20, 2024, regarding extension for application to close and decertify the NYSAARC Inc, Cattaraugus Niagara Counties Chapter, Application # SBPV-121824-2-WS.
- K. Correspondence from The North Tonawanda Treatment and Recovery Center Team (PBC), to Community Partners, dated December 27, 2024, regarding NT Clinic moving.
- L. Correspondence from Myrla Gibbons Doxey, Deputy Director, to Christine Wittenberg, Horizon Health, dated January 6, 2025, regarding Horizon Pine Clinic application for OMH host IOS.

- M. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, to Rebecca Wydysh Niagara County Legislature, dated January 7, 2025, regarding Niagara County Community Service Board appointments.
- N. Correspondence from Anton Mirtshev, Supervisor OASAS, to Lindsay Herndon, Cazenovia Recovery Systems, dated January 8, 2025, regarding Draft Report AL-24007.
- O. Correspondence from Gina Bae, Director OMH, to James Coder, New View Alliance, dated January 10, 2025, regarding recertification of licensed programs.
- P. Correspondence from Gina Bae, Director OMH, to Beatrix Souza Buffalo Psychiatric Center, dated January 14, 2025, regarding Administrative Action #10447: Relocation
- Q. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, to Michelle Abraham, NCDMH, dated January 21, 2025, regarding prior consult for EZPAR application.
- R. Correspondence from Christine Wittenberg, Horizon Health, to Myrla Gibbons Doxey, NCDMH, dated January 21, 2025, regarding CCBHC additional site approval.
- S. Correspondence from Myrla Gibbons Doxey, Deputy Director, to Kate Harlock, OMH, dated January 21, 2025, regarding EZ PARS.
- T. BestSelf Behavioral Health Flyer, Residential Rehabilitation Services for Youth (RRSY) Service Update, Dated 1/13/25

Newspaper Articles:

- 1. Buffalo News, “Psychedelics blossom for patients across area”, by Scott Scanlon, dated 11/26/24
- 2. Buffalo News, “Big Deal ruling over group homes may aid disabled”, by Patrick Lakamp, dated 11/27/24
- 3. Buffalo News, “Black mothers’ mental health is an issue”, by Samantha Nephew, dated 12/2/24
- 4. Buffalo News, “Group home ruling harms the vulnerable”, by Karen M. Cuddy, dated 12/9/24
- 5. Buffalo News, “McKinsey & Co. agrees to pay \$650M for helping boost opioid sales”, by Geoff Mulvihill, dated 12/17/24
- 6. New York Times, “Secret payments sped flow of opioids” by Chris Hamby, dated 12/18/24
- 7. Buffalo News, “Overdose deaths plague generation of Black men”, by Josh Katz, dated 12/23/24
- 8. Buffalo News, “Group seeking more overdose treatments”, by Robert Gavin, dated 1/2/25
- 9. Buffalo News, “Hochul to push for expanded mental health laws in New York”, by Anthony Izaguirre, dated 1/6/25
- 10. Union Sun & Journal, “Involuntary commitment laws require care”, dated 1/21/25