



Niagara County Community Services Board Agenda

Meeting Date & Time: Monday, June 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm

1. Community Services Board (CSB) Meeting Call to Order
2. Meeting Minutes
 - A. *Approval of April 20, 2026 CSB Meeting Minutes
 - B. Review of May 19, 2026 Drafted CSB Individual 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** – No new business

 - * **EzPar** – Child & Family Services Youth Assertive Community Treatment (YACT)–
Niagara County Team Proposal
 - Informational** –
 - Community Health Center of Buffalo – Niagara Falls: Healthy Steps Niagara Falls
 - Gateway Longview School-Based Satellite Clinic Closures
 - Maple Street Elementary School (Niagara Falls School District)
 - Niagara Street / Bloneva Bond Elementary School (Niagara Falls School District)
 - Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center – Maternal Collaborative Care Program
 - Save the Michaels Newfane House of Hope transfer of ownership to Recovery Center of Niagara, LLC
 - **Annual Report**
 - Home & Community Based Services
 - **Corporate Compliance**
 - **Program/Systems Updates**
 - Lockport SUD Needs Assessment
 - *2024-2027 Local Services Plan, 2027 Updates
 - **President's Report**
 - **Executive Session**
 - 2nd Quarter Compliance Report Out
 - **Adjournment**

Future CSB Meeting Date: July 20, 2026

***voting items**

Distributed Items at Meeting:

- A. Agenda
- B. *CSB Draft Meeting Minutes for April 20, 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, May 18, 2026 Meeting Notice - dated, May 12, 2026.
 - 2. Notifications to two County Newspapers regarding May 18, 2026 Meeting scheduling Notice - dated, May 13, 2025.
- B. Correspondence from Michael Hill, Chairman, Niagara County Legislature, to Niagara County Community Services Board, regarding Community Services Board appointments, dated March 24, 2026.
- C. Correspondence from Tammy Scherer, Acting Director, NYS OMH, to Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, regarding administrative action-change hours of operation, dated April 16, 2026.
- D. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, to Michael Hill, Chairman, Niagara County Legislature, regarding subcommittee member appointment, dated April 30, 2026.
- E. Correspondence from Dr. Annette Dobrasz, President, Niagara County Community Services Board, to Mr. Eric Zappalowski, regarding appointment to Niagara County Community Services Board, dated April 30, 2026.
- F. Correspondence from Kevin Kelly, Regional Office Program Manager, OASAS, to Carrie Clare, COO, Northpointe Council, regarding Recertification review report, dated April 24, 2026.
- G. Correspondence from Courtney Eder, MH Program Specialist 2, NYS OMH to Brandy Vandermark-Murray, President, Horizon Health Services, regarding PIP- Baily Recovery Center, dated April 28, 2026.
- H. Correspondence from Courtney Eder, MH Program Specialist 2, NYS OMH to Brandy Vandermark-Murray, President, Horizon Health Services, regarding PIP- Baily Recovery Center-unsatisfactory action, dated April 24, 2026.
- I. Correspondence from Myrla Gibbons Doxy, Deputy Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, to Brittany Horan, Director of Clinical Services, Child & Family Services, regarding Prior consult Letter EZPAR application, dated May 18, 2026.
- J. Correspondence from Michael Hill, Chairman, Niagara County Legislature, to Community services Board, regarding appointees to Community Services Board, dated May 22, 2026.

- K. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, to G. Joshua Anderson, regarding subcommittee member appointment, dated June 3, 2026.
- L. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, to Jenna Genova, regarding subcommittee member appointment, dated June 3, 2026.
- M. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, to Timothy Deeks, regarding subcommittee member appointment, dated June 3, 2026.
- N. Correspondence from Laura Kelemen, Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, to Kevin Burgess, regarding subcommittee member appointment, dated June 3, 2026.
- O. Correspondence from Myrla Gibbons Doxy, Deputy Director, Niagara County Dept. of Mental Health, to Brittany Horan, Director of Clinical Services, Child & Family Services, regarding Letter of Support EZPAR application, dated May 18, 2026.
- P. Correspondence from Maria Torgalski, Director-Region 1, OPWDD, to Melissa Kumkey, CEO, NYSARC Wayne County Chapter, regarding proposal to close Article 16 Satellite Clinic, dated May 19, 2026.
- Q. Correspondence from Anton Mirtshev, Supervisor, NYS office of Addaction Services and Supports, to Elizabeth Woike-Ganga, CEO, BestSelf Behavioral Health, regarding scheduled on-site review of financial operations, dated May 21, 2026.
- R. Correspondence from Tammy Scherer, Director, NYS office of Mental Health, to Cynthia Voelker, President /CEO, Mental Health Services-Erie County SE Corporation V dba Spectrum Human Services, regarding Admin Action # 11916: Relocation, dated May 26, 2026.
- S. Correspondence from Dena M. Holmes, Director, NYS office of Addaction Services and Supports, to Kristi Yerger, CEO, Northpointe Council, regarding Operation Certificate # 290512374 (correction), dated June 3, 2026.
- T. Correspondence from Kate Harlock, Licensing Director, NYS office of Mental Health, To Carolyn DeFranco, CEO, New View Alliance, regarding Performance Improvement Plan-monitoring visit, dated June 9, 2026.
- U. Correspondence from NYS office of Addiction Services and Supports, to Northpointe Council, Inc., regarding recertification Review Report, dated June 9, 2026.

Newspaper Articles:

- 1. Buffalo News, "340B program is a vital need for patients", by Mike Lee, dated 4/21/26
- 2. Buffalo News, "988 Shows its value", by Devi Shastri, dated 4/27/26
- 3. Buffalo News, "Two nonprofits get millions to address mental health crisis", by Jon Harris, dated 4/28/26
- 4. Niagara Frontier Publications, "Niagara County Recognizes Mental Health Awareness Month with launch of Hope Speaks", dated 5/5/26

5. Niagara Frontier Publications, "NCDMH staff present at national conference", dated 5/14/26
6. Union-Sun & Journal, "End the stigma of mental health treatment", dated 5/8/26
7. Buffalo News, "RFK aides eyed antidepressant ban, sources say", by Yasmeen Abutaleb, dated 5/12/26
8. Union-Sun & Journal "County Mental Health staff present at national conference", dated 5/18/26
9. Buffalo News, "Teen lives can be saved through Narcan training", by Maria Santa, dated 5/18/26
10. Union-Sun & Journal, "County to host addiction services forum", by Heidi Truschel-Light, dated 5/22/26
11. Union-Sun & Journal, "Taking Mental health outreach beyond clinics", by Heidi Truschel-Light, dated 5/26/26
12. Union-Sun & Journal, "Few answers on filling Save the Michaels void", by Yasmeen Abutaleb, dated 5/12/26
13. Union-Sun & Journal "County Mental Health staff present at national conference", by Buffalo News, "RFK aides eyed antidepressant ban, sources say", by Yasmeen Abutaleb, dated 5/12/26
14. Union-Sun & Journal "County Mental Health staff present at national conference", dated 5/18/26
15. Buffalo News, "Teen lives can be saved through Narcan training", by Maria Santa, dated 5/18/26
16. Union-Sun & Journal, "County to host addiction services forum", by Heidi Truschel-Light, dated 5/22/26
17. Union-Sun & Journal, "Taking Mental health outreach beyond clinics", by Heidi Truschel-Light, dated 6/4/26
18. Buffalo News, "Taking the first steps toward mental wellness", by Dr. Kathryn Diebold, dated 6/9/26
19. Union-Sun & Journal, "Youth mental health system is broken", by Joe Summers, dated 6/10/26
20. Union-Sun & Journal, "Mental wellness journey starts with recognition", by Kathryn Diebold, dated 6/20/26