

Central New York

Family Support Resource

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Additions and Edits

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Program Description

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Family Support Programs

Children's Home of Wyoming Conference
1182 Chenango Street
Binghamton, NY 13901
607-772-6904 / 800-772-6904
Kelly Clark, Director Day Treatment Program
607-772-2804 x313

Catholic Charities – Youth Services
86-88 Walnut Street
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-584-7800 / fax 607-584-7801

SPOA Coordinator

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CCSI Coordinator

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86-88 Walnut Street
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CCSI Focus Coordinators

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153 Court Street
Binghamton, NY 13901
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Mental Health Clinic

~~Broome County Community Mental Health Service~~ **Closed May 2015**

Greater Binghamton Health Center (GBHC) Clinic
114 Clinton Street
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-797-0680

Case Management

C&Y Intensive/Supportive Case Management & Aging Out Intensive Case Management
Broome Catholic Charities
86-88 Walnut Street
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-584-7800

Broome County (continued)

Day Treatment

Binghamton Psychiatric Center - Adolescent Day Treatment
425 Robinson Street
Binghamton, NY 13901
607-724-1391

Children's Home Of Wyoming Conference, Inc. - Day Treatment
1182 Chenango Street
Binghamton, NY 13901
607-772-6904

Home and Community Based Waiver Program

Catholic Charities of Broome County - Children's Flex Team
232 Main Street
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-584-7800 / fax 607-584-7801

Community Residence – also see Regional Resources

Catholic Charities of Broome County
Boys of Courage, C&Y Community Residence
32 Oak Street
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-724-2001

Greater Binghamton Health Center - Adolescent Crisis Residence
Broome County
607-724-1391

Residential Treatment Facility - See Regional Resources

Psychiatric Emergency Room/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

United Health Services Hospitals, Inc
Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program
10-42 Mitchell Avenue
Binghamton, NY 13903
607-762-2315 / CPEP Crisis Line 607-762-2459

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Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc.
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
315-475-3127 / Toll Free: 866-475-9967
TTY: 315-475-3120 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Broome County (continued)

Additional Resources

Battisti Network, Inc.
265 Main Street
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-770-1355

*Battisti Network provides a comprehensive, interdisciplinary, outpatient program for the treatment of eating disorders.

Greater Binghamton Health Center
Pam Evans - PC Advocate 607-771-8888
425 Robinson Street
Binghamton, NY 13901
607-724-1391

Adolescent Crisis Residence	607-773-4625
Adolescent Day Treatment	607-773-4026
Case Management	607-797-4520
Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health Center	607-773-4520
Children & Youth Mobile Mental Health Team	607-773-4424
Family Support & Advocacy-NAMI Broome County	607-773-4294
Family Support Group for Children & Adolescents	607-773-4027

Family and Children's Society of Broome County (2 locations)
257 Main Street 153 Main Street
Binghamton, NY 13905 Owego, NY 13827
607-729-6206 / Fax 607-729-1858 607-687-3540 / Fax 607-687-3911
Services: Family Support Centers in Whitney Point & Harpursville Schools
Advantage After School Program in the Harpursville Central Schools
Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Service 607-729-6206

Family Resource Network/Parent to Parent (See Regional Resources)

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Gary Tucker
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Binghamton, NY 13905
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Cayuga County

Director of Community Services for OMH

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Family Support Programs

Cayuga Counseling Services
Parents as Partners
17 East Genesee Street
Auburn, NY 13021
315-253-9795
Evie Noden, Family Program Coordinator
evien@cayugacounseling.org

Cayuga County Mental Health
Family Support
157 Genesee Street
Auburn, NY 13021
315-253-0341

SPOA Coordinator

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Mental Health Clinic

Cayuga Counseling Services
Mental Health Clinic
17 East Genesee St
Auburn, NY 13021
607-253-9795

Cayuga County Mental Health Clinic
157 Genesee Street
Auburn, NY 13021
315-253-1687

Day Treatment Program

Cayuga Counseling Center - BOCES Campus
Child/Adolescent Day Treatment Program
1879 West Genesee Street
Auburn, NY 13021
315-253-9795

Cayuga County (continued)

Case Management

Cayuga County Mental Health – Children & Youth ICM
146 North Street
Auburn, NY 13021
315-253-1690

Home and Community Based Waiver Program

Hillside Family of Services - HCBS Waiver Program
Hillside Children's Center
215 Wyoming Street
Syracuse, NY 13204
315-703-8700

Community Residence - See Regional Resources

Residential Treatment Facility - See Regional Resources

Hillside RTF - Finger Lakes Campus
7432 County House Road
Auburn, NY 13021
315-258-2100
Kelly White, Advocate
kwhite@hillside.com

Psychiatric Emergency Rooms/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

Auburn Memorial Hospital Article 28
17 Lansing St.
Auburn, NY 13021
315-255-7011

Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc.
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
315-475-3127 / Toll Free: 866-475-9967
TTY: 315-475-3120 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Additional Resources

NAMI Cayuga County Chapter
Terri Wasilenko
Auburn Community Hospital
2nd Floor Assembly Room
Auburn, NY 13021
315-255-7443 NAMI Office
2maestros@twc.com

Services: Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 6:00 – 7:30 pm at above address

Transition Services

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Chenango County

Director of Community Services for OMH

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ruthr@co.chenango.ny.us

Family Support Program

Mental Health Association of Ulster County
Marion Mossman, Program Director
5546 State Highway 7
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-433-0700
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Family Resource Network, Inc
Michelle Zuk, Executive Director
46 Oneida Street
Oneonta, NY
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executivedirector@familyrn.org
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SPOA Coordinator

Terry Foor-Pessin
Chenango County Community Services
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Norwich, NY 13815
607-337-1600 / fax 607-334-4519
terryf@co.chenango.ny.us

CCSI Coordinator

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Website: www.familyrn.org

Mental Health Clinic

Chenango County Behavioral Health Services
5 Court St, Suite 42
Norwich, NY 13815
607-337-1600

Day Treatment Program - Not available in this county

Case Management

Chenango County Community Services
Children & Youth ICM/SCM
5 Court Street, Suite 42
Norwich NY 13815
607-337-1600

Chenango County (continued)

Home and Community Based Waiver

Mental Health Association of Ulster County
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Oneonta, NY 13820
607-433-0700
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Community Residence - see Regional Resources

Residential Treatment Facilities - see Regional Resources

Stillwater RTF
638 Squirrel Hill Road
Chenango Fork, NY 13746
607-656-9004

Psychiatric Emergency Room/ Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

United Health Services Hospitals, Inc
Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program
10-42 Mitchell Avenue
Binghamton, NY 13903
607-762-2315 / CPEP Crisis Line 607-762-2459

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Bassett Medical Center
One Atwell Road
Cooperstown, NY 13326
607-547-3500 / fax 607-547-3006

Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc.
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
315-475-3127 / Toll Free: 866-475-9967
TTY: 315-475-3120 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Additional Resources

Parents Peace of Mind
Nancy Joslyn
1699 State Highway 8
Mt. Upton, NY 13809
607-764-8793

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Terry Foor-Pessin
Chenango County Community Services
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Norwich, NY 13815
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Clinton County

Director of Community Services for OMH

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Family Support Services

Behavioral Health Services North, Inc
FIT Program (Families Involved Together)
22 US Oval, Suite 100
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Child Care Coordinating Council of the North Country
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Families Together in the Northeastern Region
Family Support
Erica Leonard, Program Director
22 US Oval, Suite 100
Plattsburgh, NY 12903
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eleonard@bhsn.org
Website: www.bhsn.org/fit.php

Clinic

Behavioral Health Services North, Inc
Child & Family Clinic
Amy Larmon, Director
22 US Oval, Suite 100
Plattsburgh, NY 12903
518-561-1767
alarmon@bhsn.org
Website: www.bhsn.org

Clinton County (continued)

Intensive Case Management

Behavioral Health Services North, Inc
Child & Family Clinic – Children & Youth ICM
Shelley Munson
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Plattsburgh, NY 12903
518-563-8206
smunson@bhsn.org

Home and Community Based Waiver Program

Behavioral Health Services North, Inc
Shelley Munson
22 US Oval, Suite 100
Plattsburgh, NY 12903
518-563-8206
smunson@bhsn.org
Website: www.bhsn.org

Psychiatric Emergency Room/Inpatient Hospitalization

CVPH (Champlain Valley) - Children and Adolescent - MH Unit
75 Beekman Street, 2nd Floor **Article 28**
Plattsburgh, NY 12901
518-562-7536
Sharon Schmidt-Twiss
stwiss@cvph.org
Website: www.cvph.org

Transition Services

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Community Resources

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NAMI of Champlain Valley

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Mary Ann Cox, Teen Screen Coordinator
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teenscreen@gmail.com

Families Helping Families in Crisis Program

Sponsored by NAMI-CV 518-561-2685

Cortland County

Director of Community Services for OMH

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Cortland, NY 13045
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Family Support Program

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Cortland County Mental Health
7 Clayton Avenue
Cortland, NY 13045
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SPOA Coordinator

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CCSI Coordinator

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Shannon Westmoreland – Parent Partner
Cortland County Office Building, Room 102
60 Central Ave
Cortland, NY 13045

Mental Health Clinic

Cortland County Mental Health Clinic
7 Clayton Avenue
Cortland, NY 13045
607-758-6100

Family Counseling Services of Cortland County, Inc
10 North Main Street
Cortland, NY 13045
607-753-0234

Day Treatment Program

Franziska Racker Centers, Inc.
McEvoy Educational Center
1710 NYS Route 13
Cortland, NY 13045
607-257-1551 / fax 607-272-0188

Case Management Services

Cortland County Community Services – Children & Youth ICM
7 Clayton Avenue
Cortland NY 13045
607-758-6110

Cortland County (continued)

Home and Community Base Services

Hillside Family of Services
HCBS Waiver Program
Hillside Children's Center
215 Wyoming Street
Syracuse, NY 13204
315-703-8700

Community Residence - see Regional Resources

Residential Treatment Facilities - see Regional Resources

Psychiatric Emergency Rooms/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

Cortland Regional Medical Center (formerly Cortland Memorial Hospital) **Article 28**
134 Homer Avenue
Cortland NY 13045
607-756-3500 / fax 607-756-3226

Inpatient Hospitalization - See Regional Resources

Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
Tel 315-475-3127 / TTY 315-475-3120
Toll Free 866-475-9967 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
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Director of Community Services for OMH

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Walton, NY 13856
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Family Support Program

~~MHA in Ulster – The Harbour Program~~ **Closed May 2015**

Family Resource Network, Inc
46 Oneida Street
Oneonta, NY
607-432-0001 / fax 607-432-5516
Website: www.familyrn.org

SPOA Coordinator

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Walton, NY 13856
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CCSI Program –

Family Resource Network
46 Oneida Street
Oneonta, NY 13820
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Mental Health Clinic

Delaware County Mental Health Clinic
One Hospital Road
Walton, NY 13856
607-865-6522

Day Treatment Program - Not available in this county

Case Management

Delaware County Community Services – Children & Youth ICM
Box 266 One Hospital Road
Walton NY 13856
607-865-6522 / fax 607-865-7427

Home and Community Based Waiver Program

Marion Mossman
MHA in Ulster County
5546 State Highway 7, Suite 2
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-433-0100 / Fax 607-432-3814
m.mossman@mhainulster.org

Delaware County (continued)

Community Residence - see Regional Resources

Residential Treatment Facility - see Regional Resources

Psychiatric Emergency Rooms/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

United Health Services Hospitals, Inc
Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program
10-42 Mitchell Avenue
Binghamton, NY 13903
607-762-2315 / CPEP Crisis Line 607-762-2459

Article 28

Bassett Medical Center – Article 28
One Atwell Road
Cooperstown, NY 13326
607-547-3500 / fax 607-547-3006

Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc.
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
315-475-3127 / Toll Free: 866-475-9967
TTY: 315-475-3120 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Transition Services

Adult SPOA
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Walton, NY 13856
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Director of Community Services for OMH

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Family Support Programs

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SPOA Coordinator

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Elizabethtown, NY 12932
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Clinic

Essex County Community Clinic
P.O. Box 8, 7513 Court Street
Elizabethtown, NY 12932
518-873-3670 / fax 518-873-3777

Case Management

Families First in Essex County – Children & Youth ICM
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Home and Community Based Waiver

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Essex County (Continued)

Transition Services

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Elizabethtown, NY 12932

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Community Resources

Family Support

Families Together in the Adirondacks - Families First

196 Water Street

Elizabethtown, NY 12932

518-873-9544

Heather Morrison

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Services: Meetings in Essex county location

Franklin County

Director of Community Services for OMH

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Family Support Programs

St. Regis Mohawk Education & Community MH
412 State Route 37, Box 8A
Akwasasne, NY 13655
518-358-3141 / fax 518-358-2797
Melissa Connors-Chamberlain x160

Citizen Advocates
Dba North Star Behavioral Health Services
209 Park Street, PO Box 608
Malone, NY 12953
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Susan Delehanty, CEO
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SPOA

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Malone, NY 12953
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CCSI Coordinator

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Saranac Lake, NY 12983
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Clinic

2 Locations

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209 Park Street, PO Box 608
Malone, NY 12953
518-483-1250 / fax 518-783-2242

Citizen Advocates
dba North Star Behavioral Health Services
70 Edgewood Road
Saranac Lake, NY 12983
518-891-2319

St. Regis Mohawk Education & Community MH
412 State Route 37, Box 8A
Akwasasne, NY 13655
518-358-3141 / fax 518-358-2797

Day Treatment

Citizen Advocates, Inc / North Star Industries
North Franklin Education Center
43 Husky Lane
Malone, NY 12953
518-483-1390

Franklin County (continued)

Case Management

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Home and Community Based Waiver

Citizen Advocates
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209 Park Street, PO Box 608
Malone, NY 12953
Jim Brooks
518-481-5746 / fax 518-481-5289

Community Residence

Citizen Advocates - Adirondack Youth Lodge
255 Junction Road
Malone, NY 12953
518-483-6256
Heath Kuhn

Transition Services

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Community Resources

Family Support
Families Together in the Adirondacks - Families First
196 Water Street
Elizabethtown, NY 12932
518-873-9544
Website: www.ftnys.org or www.familiesfirstessex.org
Services: Meetings in Essex county location

Resource information and Support - Family Champions of the North Country
Karen Piole, Director
P. O. Box 987
Tupper Lake, NY 12986
518-534-9439
familychampions@yahoo.com

Fulton County

Director of Community Services

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Gloversville, NY 12078
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egagnon@co.fulton.ny.us

Family Support Programs

The Family Counseling Center
11-21 Broadway
Gloversville, NY 12078
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Kathy Calabrese, Family Peer Advocate 518-725-4310 x109
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Family Support

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Johnstown, NY 12095
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SPOA Coordinator

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CCSI Coordinator

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Kim Smith, Family Peer Advocate, CCSI, Family Support

Clinic

Fulton County Community MH Clinic
Ernest Gagnon
57 East Fulton Street
Gloversville, NY 12078
518-773-3531

Family Counseling Center
11-21 Broadway
Gloversville, NY 12078
518-725-4310

Fulton County (Continued)

Case Management

St. Mary's Hospital – **Article 28**
427 Guy Park Ave.
Amsterdam, NY 12010
Heather Clear
518-841-7359 / fax 518-841-7344

Home and Community Based Waiver

Parsons Child and Family Center
102 Hackett Blvd.
Albany, NY 12208
Sharon Mahota, Director
518-426-2600

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Gwen Gyldenvand
57 East Fulton Street
Gloversville, NY 12078
518-773-3531 / fax 518-841-7344
ggyldevand@co.fulton.ny.us

Community Resources

Autism Society of America (Fulton-Montgomery Chapter)
18 East Fulton Street
Gloversville, NY 12078
518-773-3109

Parent Partners or Parent/Family Advocates

Fulton Family Counseling Center
11-21 Broadway
Gloversville, NY 12078
Kathy Calabrese 518-725-4310 x109
Kim Smith 518-725-4310 x 155
Jamie Spraker 518-725-4310 x139

Independent Living Center of Amsterdam
2540 Riverfront Center
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-842-3561

NAMI of Fulton Montgomery
2414 Riverfront Center
Amsterdam, NY 12010
Don Adamowski
518-843-3261 / mfhnami@aol.com

Hamilton County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Robert Kleppang
Hamilton County Community Services
83 White Birch Lane
Indian Lake, NY 12842
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Family Support & CCSI Coordinator

Brandy Richards, substance Abuse Prevention Educator
Hamilton County Community Services
143 White Birch Lane
Indian Lake, NY 12842
518-648-5355 / fax 518-648-6437
brhammer14@hotmail.com
Website: www.hamiltoncountyhhs.org/mental-health/prevention

SPOA Coordinator

Barb Anderson
Hamilton County Community Services
83 White Birch Lane
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Case Management

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Hamilton County Community Services
83 White Birch Lane
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banderson.hccs@frontiernet.net

Home and Community Based Waiver

Parsons Child and Family Center
102 Hackett Blvd.
Albany, NY 12208
518-426-2600

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Gwen Gyldevand
Mental Health Association
57 East Fulton Street
Gloversville, NY 12078
518-773-3531 / fax 518-841-7344
ggyldevand@co.fulton.ny.us

Community Resources

Family Support
Families Together in the Adirondacks - Families First
196 Water Street
Elizabethtown, NY 12932
518-873-9544
Website: www.ftnys.org or www.familiesfirstessex.org
Services: Meetings in Essex county location

Herkimer County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Kristen Snyder-Branner
Herkimer County Community Services
301 N. Washington Street
Herkimer, NY 13350
315-867-1465/ fax 315-867-1469
kbranner@herkimercounty.org

IMPACT Program

Jeremy Callahan, Supervisor
Kathy Moss, Parent Advocate
Center for Family Life & Recovery, Inc
249 South Main Street
Herkimer, NY 13350
315-866-8407
jcallahan@cflrinc.org

SPOA Coordinator

Kristen Snyder-Branner
Herkimer County Community Services
301 N. Washington Street
Herkimer, NY 13350
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kbranner@herkimercounty.org

CCSI Coordinator

Miriam Pirnie
Family Services
249 South Main Street
Herkimer, NY 13350
315-738-1428

Clinic

Herkimer County Community Clinic
301 North Washington St.
Herkimer, NY 13350
315-866-3190

Case Management

The Neighborhood Center
615 Mary Street
Utica, NY 13501
315-732-2225

Home and Community Based Waiver

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York (formerly North Country TLS)
482 Black River Parkway (mailing) 482 City Center Drive (actual location)
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777 /fax 315-785-8628
Website: www.tlsnny.com

Transition Services

Rich Fortuna, Adult SPOA/AOT Coordinator
United Cerebral Palsy
209 North Main Street
Herkimer, NY 13350
315-866-2863 x101 / fax 315-866-8193
rfortuna@ucp-utica.org

Jefferson County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Roger Ambrose
Jefferson County Community Services
175 Arsenal Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-785-3283 / fax 315-785-5182
rogera@co.jefferson.ny.us

Family Support

NRCIL - Northern Regional Center for Independent Living
210 Court Street, Suite 107
Watertown, NY 13601
315-785-8703 / fax 315-785-8612
Aileen Martin, Director
Aileenm@nrcil.net
Kathy Connor, Program Director
kathyc@nrcil.net

SPOA/SPOE Coordinator

Melissa Beagle
Children's Home of Jefferson County
PO Box 6550, 1704 State Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-779-1507 x1410 / fax 315-779-1726
mbeagle@nnychildrenshome.com

Intake Coordinator

Alicia Ruperd
Transitional Living Services of Northern New York
482 Black River Parkway
Watertown, New York 13601
315-782-1777 x1035 / fax: 315-785-8628

Day Treatment

St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center
1 Chimney Point Drive
Ogdensburg, NY 13669
315-393-3000

Case Management

Children's Home of Jefferson County
167 Polk Street, Suite 300
Watertown, NY 13601
315-779-1507 / fax 315-777-9275 (3rd floor)

Home and Community Based Waiver

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York (formerly North Country TLS)
482 Black River Parkway (mailing) 482 City Center Drive (actual location)
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777 /fax 315-785-8628
Website: www.tlsnny.com

Jefferson County (Continued)

Community Residence

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York (formerly North Country TLS)
C&Y Community Residence
1562 Washington Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777 / fax 315-785-8628
Bobbi Petranchuk

Educational Advocacy

NRCIL - Northern Regional Center for Independent Living
210 Court Street, Suite 107
Watertown, NY 13601
315-785-8703 / fax 315-785-8612
Kathy Connor

Transition Services

Melissa Beagle, Adult SPOA Coordinator
Children's Home of Jefferson County
1704 State Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-779-1507 x1410 / fax 315-779-1726
mbeagle@nnychildrenshome.com

Community Resources

Families Together of the North Country
7632 N State Street
Lowville, NY 13367
315-376-8696
Cathie Wooledge, Parent Advocate
cathiew@nrcil.net

NRCIL - Northern Regional Center for Independent Living
210 Court Street, Suite 107
Watertown, NY 13601
Aileen Martin, Director
Aileenm@nrcil.net
315-785-8703 / fax 315-785-8612
Toll free 1-800-585-8703
Website: www.nrcil.net

Family Support Group – for Adults who have been impacted by alcohol or substance abuse by family member
Credo Community Center
595 West Main Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-788-1530
Family Support Group meets 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month – 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Lewis County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Patricia Fralick
Lewis County Community Services
7550 North State Street
Lowville, NY 13367
315-376-5450 / fax 315-376-7221
patriciafralick@lewiscounty.ny.gov

Lewis County Community Services

Behavioral Health & Wellness Center
7550 South State Street
Lowville, New York 13367
315-376-5450 / fax 315-376-7221

SPOA/SPOE Coordinator

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7550 North State Street
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CCSI Coordinator

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Family Support

NRCIL - Northern Regional Center for Independent Living
7632 North State Street
Lowville, NY 13367
315-376-8696 / fax 315-376-3404
Karen Bolivar, Program Director
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Clinic

Behavioral Health & Wellness Center
7550 South State Street
Lowville, NY 13367
315-376-5450/fax 315-376-7221

Case Management

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York (formerly North Country TLS)
482 Black River Parkway
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777 /fax 315-785-8628
Website: www.tlsnny.com

Lewis County (continued)

Home and Community Based Waiver

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York (formerly North Country TLS)
482 Black River Parkway
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777 / fax 315-785-8628
Website: www.tlsnny.com

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Heather Lupia
Transitional Living Services of Northern New York
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Watertown, NY 13601
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hlupia@tlsnny.com

Community Resources

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7632 North State Street
Lowville, NY 13367
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Karen Bolivar, Program Director
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Families Together of the North Country
Cathie Woledge 315-376-8696
cathiew@nrcil.net
Website: www.ftnc.org

Parent Group; Wellness Group; Respite; Educational Advocate;
Skill Building, Anger Control, Parenting Classes
NRCIL - Northern Regional Center for Independent Living
7632 North State Street
Lowville, NY 13367
315-376-8696 / fax 315-376-3404
Karen Bolivar, Program Director
karenb@nrcil.net

Madison County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Teisha Cook
Madison County Mental Health Department
138 North Court Street, P.O. Box 608
Wampsville, NY 13163
315-366-2327 / fax 315-366-2599
teisha.cook@co.madison.ny.us

Family Support Program

Madison County Mental Health Department
138 North Court Street, P.O. Box 608
Wampsville, NY 13163
315-366-2327 / fax 315-366-2599

SPOA Coordinator

Teisha Cook
Madison County Mental Health Department
138 North Court Street, P.O. Box 608
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teisha.cook@co.madison.ny.us

Mental Health Clinic

Outpatient Services Team
Madison County Mental Health Department
138 North Court Street, P.O. Box 608
Wampsville, NY 13163
315-366-2327 / fax 315-366-2599

Day Treatment Program

Franziska Racker Centers, Inc.
3226 Wilkens Road
Ithaca, NY 14850
607-272-5891/ fax 607-272-0188

Case Management

Consumer Services of Madison County
1019 North Main Street
Oneida, New York 13421
315-361-9131/ fax 315-361-4526

Home and Community Base Services

Hillside Family of Services
Hillside Children's Center - HCBS Waiver Program
215 Wyoming Street
Syracuse, NY 13204
315-703-8700

Community Residence - see Regional Resources

Residential Treatment Facilities - see Regional Resources

Psychiatric Emergency Rooms/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

St. Joseph's Hospital – CPEP Article 28
301 Prospect Ave.
Syracuse, NY 13203
315-448-6555

Madison County (continued)

Inpatient Hospitalization - see Regional Resources

Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
315-475-3127 / Toll Free 866-475-9967
TTY 315-475-3120 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Additional Resources

Community Action Program for Madison County
3 East Main Street, P.O. Box 249
Morrisville, NY 13408
315-684-3144 / fax 315-684-9650

Community Services

Website: www.capmadco.org

Parents Recovery Support Group

Consumer Services of Madison County
William Ceaser, Executive Director Csmc98@yahoo.com
1019 Main Street
Oneida, NY 13421
Rebecca Hauck, Peer Specialist
315-361-9131 / fax 315-361-4526

NAMI

Carol Nuveau
315-363-4784

Services: Meets monthly at the Oneida Library

Community Action Program for Madison County, Inc
South Office, 6 Cambridge Ave. (Big M Plaza)
Morrisville, NY 13408
315-684-3144

Services: Support group for parents of children with disabilities and Special Needs.
Meets first Monday of every month 6:30-8:00 pm

Liberty Resources - Oneida

218 Liberty Street
Oneida, NY 13421
315-363-0048 / fax 315-363-0052

Madison County Head Start

110 North Main Street
Canastota, NY 13032
315-697-9833 / fax 315-697-9031

Services: Serves children 3 – 4 years of age

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Danielle Licitra
Madison County Mental Health
PO Box 608
Wampsville, NY 13163
315-366-2327 / fax 315-366-2599
Danielle.licitra@madisoncounty.ny.gov

Montgomery County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Sarah Boerenko-Pantalone, Interim
Montgomery County Community Services
427 Guy Park Avenue
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-841-7367 / fax 518-841-7344
sboerenko@co.montgomery.ny.us

Family Support

Mental Health Association in Fulton-Montgomery Counties
307-309 Meadow Street
Johnstown, NY 12095
518-762-5332 / fax 518-762-6823
Info-line 800-734-5864
Della Monihan x114
Terri Flint, Family support Program Director
tflint@mhafm.org

The Family Counseling Center
11-21 Broadway
Gloversville, NY 12078
Shannon L Cubells, Program Director
518-725-4310 x134 / fax 518-725-2556
scubells@thefamilycounselingcenter.org
Kathy Calabrese, Family Peer Advocate 518-725-4310 x109
kcalabrese@thefamilycounselingcenter.org

SPOA Coordinator

Joan Draus, Mental Health Director
Mental Health Association in Fulton-Montgomery Counties
307-309 Meadow Street
Johnstown, NY 12095
518-762-5332 x115 / fax 518-762-6823
jdraus@mhafm.org

Clinic

St. Mary's Hospital
380 Guy Park Ave
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-841-7341

Case Management

St. Mary's Hospital
427 Guy Park Ave
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-841-7359

Home and Community Based Waiver

Parsons Child and Family Center
102 Hackett Blvd.
Albany, NY 12208
518-426-2600

Montgomery Transitional Living Services. Inc

C&Y Community Residence Highland Road
33 Highland Road
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-842-3717

Montgomery County (continued)

Psychiatric Emergency Room /Impatient Hospitalization

St. Mary's Hospital **Article 28**
380 Guy Park Avenue
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-841-7341

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Gwen Gyldevand
Mental Health Association in Fulton-Montgomery Counties
57 East Fulton Street
Gloversville, NY 12078
518-773-3531 / fax 518-841-7344
ggyldevand@co.fulton.ny.us

Community Resources

Autism Society of America - Montgomery-Fulton Chapter
18 East Fulton Street
Gloversville, NY 12078
518-773-3109

Parents Anonymous

Catholic Charities
1 Kimball Street
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-842-4242
Contact Beth

Parent Partners or Parent/Family Advocates

Mary Lou Berry (CCSI)
St. Mary's Children's Mental Health Clinic
8 North Hampton Road
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-843-7527 / fax 518-843-7537
mlbatsmh@hotmail.com

Oneida County

Director of Community Services

Robin O'Brien
Oneida County Dept. of Mental Health
120 Airline Street, Suite 200
Oriskany, NY 13424
315-768-3660 / fax 315-768-3670
robrien@ocgov.net

Mental Health Services for Adults

Oneida County Dept. of Mental Health
120 Airline Street, Suite 200
Oriskany, NY 13424
315-768-3667 / fax 315-768-3670
Michele Kuhn, Director
mkuhn@ocgov.net

Family Support Program

Oneida County Department of Mental Health / CCSI Tier I
120 Airline Street, Suite 200
Oriskany, NY 13424
315-768-3660 / fax 315-768-3670
Elaine Angwin (work cell 315-794-5799)
elangwin@ocgov.net

Children & Youth Services SPOA

Elaine Angwin
Oneida County Dept. of Mental Health
120 Airline Street, Suite 200
Oriskany, NY 13424
315-768-3660 / fax 315-768-3670
elangwin@ocgov.net

Clinic

The Neighborhood Center, Inc
615 Mary Street
Utica, NY 13501
315-732-2225 / fax 315-733-0078
Services: TLS Mental Health Counseling, Therapeutic Day Care, Psychiatry

Community Health & Behavioral Services Clinic

United Cerebral Palsy (CHBS)
1020 Mary Street
Utica, NY 13501
315-724-6907 / fax 315-798-8818

Case Management

The Neighborhood Center, Inc
615 Mary Street
Utica, NY 13501
315-732-2225 / fax 315-733-0078

Mohawk Valley Psychiatric Center ICM
1400 Noyes At York
Utica, NY 13502
315-797-6800

Oneida County (Continued)

Residential Treatment Facility

House of Good Shepard
1550 Champlin Avenue
Utica, NY 13502
315- 235-7681 / Fax 315-235-7689
Trista Corsino, Assistant Director, RTF Services
tristac@hgs-utica.com

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Carole Flinn
Oneida County Dept. of Mental Health
120 Airline Street, Suite 200
Oriskany, NY 13424
315-768-3660 / fax 315-768-3670
Carole.flinn@omh.ny.gov

Community Resources

Kids Oneida
310 Main Street
Utica, NY 13501
315-792-9039 / fax 315-792-9578
Lynn Stevens, Family Support Coordinator

Utica Safe Schools/Healthy Students Partnership, Inc
Utica School District
115 Mohawk Street
Utica, NY 13501
315- 792-2205

ADHD & Autism Psychological Services & Advocacy
Aspire Behavioral Health Solutions
587 Main Street, Suite 108
New York Mills, NY 13417
315-732-3431
Contact: Angela Verenich x209

Onondaga County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Lisa Alford, Adult & Long Care Services (ALTCS)
Onondaga County Dept. of Mental Health
421 Montgomery Street, 15th Floor
Syracuse, NY 13202
315-435-3355 / fax 315-435-3279
lisaalford@ongov.net

Linda Lopez, Deputy Commissioner Child & Family Services
Onondaga County Dept. of Mental Health
421 Montgomery Street, 8th Floor
Syracuse, NY 13202
315-435-2884 / fax 315-435-3279
Linda.Lopez@dfa.state.ny.us

Family Support Program

Onondaga County Department of Mental Health
Outpatient Services
530 Cedar Street
Syracuse, NY 13210
315-435-7707

Onondaga Case Management Services, Inc.
Family Support Services
220 Herald Place
Syracuse NY 13202
315-472-7363 / fax 315-472-0084

Family Tapestry
Cathy Munson
315-559-2174

Services: Support for parents of children with mental and developmental disorders

SPOA/Access Coordinator

Nancy Kuss
Onondaga County Mental Health
421 Montgomery Street, 15th Floor
Syracuse, NY 13202
315-435-3739 / fax 315-435-3279
Nancy.kuss@dfa.state.ny.us

Mental Health Clinic

Onondaga County Department of Mental Health
421 Montgomery Street, 10th Floor
Syracuse, NY 13202
315-435-3737 / fax 315-435-3279

St. Joseph's Hospital Children's Outpatient Clinic
742 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203
315-703-2800

Arise Child and Family Services
635 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203
315-472-3171 / fax 315-472-9252

Onondaga County (continued)

SUNY Upstate Medical University
Outpatient Psychiatry Clinic
713 Harrison Street
Syracuse, NY 13210
315-464-9093

Liberty Resources, Inc.
The Brownell Center for Behavioral Health
1045 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203
315-472-4471

Day Treatment Program

Onondaga County Day Treatment Center
520 Cedar Street
Syracuse, NY 13210
315-435-7706

HPC Intensive Adolescent Day Treatment Program
4500 Crown Road
Liverpool, NY 13090-3507
315-473-4980

Franziska Racker Centers, Inc.
3226 Wilkens Road
Ithaca, NY 14850
607-272-5891 / fax 607-272-0188

Case Management

Onondaga Case Management Services, Inc.
220 Herald Place
Syracuse NY 13202
315-472-7363 / fax 315-472-0084

Home and Community Based Waiver Programs

Hillside Family of Services
HCBS Waiver Program
Hillside Children's Center
215 Wyoming Street
Syracuse, NY 13204
315-703-8700
Elaine Conway, Parent Advocate, Hillside Waiver Program 315-751-0232

Liberty Resources, Inc
HCBS Waiver Program
1065 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203
315-425-1004/ fax 315-479-7884

Community Residence- See Regional Resources

Toomey Residential & Community Services Inc
Catholic Charities of Onondaga County
1654 West Onondaga Street
Syracuse NY 13204
315-424-1845 / fax 315-242-7567

Residential Treatment Facility - See Regional Resources

Onondaga County (continued)

Psychiatric Emergency Rooms/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

St. Joseph's Hospital CPEP Article 28
301 Prospect Avenue
Syracuse NY 13203
315-448-6555

Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
315-475-3127 / TTY 315-475-3120
Toll Free 866-475-9967 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Partial Hospitalization

Centre Syracuse, LLC
Eating Disorders Program
3300 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13206
315-671-2202/ fax 315-671-2203

Additional Resources

- Onondaga County Department of Mental Health
421 Montgomery Street, 10th Floor
Syracuse, NY 13202
315-435-3355 / fax 315-435-3279
Website: www.ocdmh.ongov.net or www.onondaga.ny.networkofcare.org
- Mental Health Association of Onondaga County
6520 Basile Rowe
East Syracuse, NY 13057
315-445-5606/ fax 315-251-2218
- Family Tapestry Inc
Parent Initiative (Parent Support Group)
Kathy Munson
315-559-2174
Services: Support for parents of children with mental and developmental disorders
- Arise Educational Advocate
315-671-2926
- Central Square: ASK (Assistants Support and Knowledge)
Jasmine Goldstein
315-668-7342 Daun@progressiveimaging.com
- PASE (Parents Advocating Special Education)
Lisa Larioni, 315-699-5879
Services: Local chapter in North Syracuse School District. Is part of a national organization and is open to parents in all districts.
- Special Needs Advocacy/Parent Support Group (SNAOS) – Westhill
Sheree Burke, 315-488-4026 sburke1@twcny.rr.com
Services: Provides forum to share concerns and information between parents and Special Education
- ADD/ADHD Parent & Educator Support Group
Meets 5-6 times/year as an informal, facilitated discussion group where parents and teachers can share concerns and share/brainstorm strategies that work.
Location: Cicero Elementary, 5:30-7:00 PM, Lois Exner, 315-458-1224 luminalois@hotmail.com

Onondaga County (continued)

- ADHD & Autism Psychological services & Advocacy
Aspire Behavioral Health Solutions
1065 James Street, Suite 210
Syracuse, NY 13203
315-732-3431
- Asperger Syndrome Support Group
BG Downing at Enable
315-445-7591 x237 edowning@enable1.org
- Autism, P.D.D., and related disorders
Mary Harrington 315-637-4438
Ida Leigh Davis 315-457-7937 davlarida3@cs.com
- Grandparent Support Group
Contact EFR 315-478-1462 x336
Services: For Grandparents raising grandchildren w/ developmental disabilities.
- PACER's Grandparents Support Group
Jane Johnson 952-838-1318 Website: www.PACER.org
Services: A telephone support network for grandparents.
- Tourette Syndrome Association of CNY
1204 Lancaster Ave.
Syracuse, NY 13210
Pat Atkinson 315-472-5750
- NAMI – Promise
917 Avery Ave.
Syracuse, NY 13204
nami-promise@accucom.net Website: www.nami-promise.org
Services: Self-help organization for families and friends of people who suffer from serious and persistent psychiatric illness. NAMI Support and Sharing Meeting – 3rd Tuesday of every month at Temple Society of Concord, 910 Madison St., Syracuse (in the University section) call 315-487-2085 for more information, facilitated support and information
- Hutchings Psychiatric Center, Syracuse
David Donaghy 315-426-7680
Services: Family Night Dinners, Common Sense Parenting Series, Family Handbook library Consultations
- Ophelia Place
207 Tulip Street
Liverpool, NY 13088
315-451-5544
Services: Support for young people with eating disorders
- Exceptional Family Resources
1065 James St, Suite 220
Syracuse, NY 13203
315-478-1462
- Liberty Resources
1045 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13210
315-425-1004

Onondaga County (continued)

Education for Families

- NAMI Education and Information meeting – 1st Tuesday of the month at Temple Society of Concord, 910 Madison St., Syracuse (in University section), call 315-487-2085 for more information; topics vary and group does not meet every month
- Family-to-Family 12-week Education Course, sponsored by NAMI; call 315-487-2085 for information about start date for next course
- Hutchings Psychiatric Center monthly half-day information series on various aspects of mental illness, call Len Phillips for more information 315-426-6804

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator

Jan Moag

Onondaga Case Management Services, Inc

220 Herald Place

Syracuse, NY 13202

315-472-7363 / fax 315-472-0084 jmoag@ocmsinc.org

Transition Groups - Parents and Student

Enable

315-455-7591 asarreno@enable1.org or rvandusen@enable1.org

Services: Addresses issues around transition from high school to adult life for middle/high school students with special needs and their families (separate groups for students and parents) (Run by vocation rehab counselors)

Transitional Living Services – Family Support and Education Center

Sheila LeGacy and Merry Leonard 315-478-4151

Services: crisis and ongoing supports and advocacy

Support Group for Spouses of persons with mental illness

Joe and Judy Bliss-Ridgway 315-468-9809

Central New York Services

Todd or Joanne 315- 478-6610

Sherry Fuller 315-478-0610

Serves: people with co-occurring disorders of addiction and mental illness

St. Joseph's Hospital

Rehabilitation and Training program

Mary Beth Williams 315-703-2762

Outpatient Clinic

Kathy Ducat-Wilson 315-473-2773

Oswego County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Nicole Kolmsee
Oswego County Community Services
100 Spring Street
Mexico, NY 13114
315-963-5262 / fax 315-963-5530
nkolmsee@oswegocounty.com

Family Support Program

Catholic Charities of Oswego County
Family Support Services Program
365 West First Street
Fulton, NY 13069
315-589-3980

SPOA Coordinator

Jill Gutelius
Oswego County Community Services
100 Spring Street
Mexico, NY 13114
315-963-5262 / fax 315-963-5530
childspoa@oswegocounty.org

Mental Health Clinic

Oswego Hospital Mental Health Division - **Article 28**
74 Bunner Street
Oswego NY 13126
315-343-8162 / fax 315-349-5785

Day Treatment Program - Not available in this county

Case Management

Oswego Hospital Mental Health Division – **Article 28**
74 Bunner Street
Oswego NY 13126
315-343-8162 / fax 315-349-5785

Home and Community Base Services

Hillside Children's Center
HCBS Waiver Program
Hillside Children's Center
215 Wyoming Street
Syracuse, NY 13204
315-703-8700

Community Residence - See Regional Resources

Residential Treatment Facility - See Regional Resources

Psychiatric Emergency Rooms/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

Not available in this county

Oswego County (continued)

Legal Services

Legal Services of Central New York, Inc.
472 South Salina Street, Suite 300
Syracuse, New York 13202
315-475-3127 / Toll Free: 866-475-9967
TTY: 315-475-3120 / TTY toll free 866-475-3120

Additional Resources

- Parents of Special Children
2-C Tower Drive
Fulton, NY 13069
315-598-7672
- The Light – Oswego Hospital Mental Health Clinic
74 Brunner Street
Oswego NY 13126
Barbara Moore 315-343-8162
Services: Families offer mutual support and educational opportunities
- Parents Support Group (Oswego)
104 West Utica Street
Oswego NY 13126
Sabine Ingerson, 315-342-4088
Services: Support group for parents of children w/ disabilities. Meets monthly
- UPWARD- Uplifting Parents (of children) with Autism and Related Disorders
Kelly Whalen 315-343-0018
Services: Provide information, support and advocacy services, monthly meetings @ 6:30 on 2nd Mon.
alternating between Alliance Church in Fulton and ARISE in Oswego.
- Teen Group – Arise
Sabine Ingerson, 315-342-4088
- TBI – Traumatic Brain Injury - ARISE
Diane 315-342-4088
- Autism Support Groups
ARISE - Central Square
Janette Sawyer, 315-668-8387
ARISE - Mexico Group
Sabine Ingerson, 315-342-4088

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Nicole Kolmsee
100 Spring Street
Mexico, NY 13114
315-349-3545 / fax 315-349-3216
nkolmsee@oswegocounty.com

Oswego Industries, Inc.

Career Employment Services
7 Merrill Place
Fulton, NY 13069
315-598-3112

Otsego County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Sue Matt
Otsego County Community Services
242 Main Street
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-433-2343 / fax 607-547-1618
Matts@otsegocounty.com

Family Support Program

Family Resource Network
TBA, Executive Director
46 Oneida Street
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-432-0001
Executivedirector@familyrn.org
Website: www.familyrn.org

SPOA Coordinator

Lorraine Bosma
140 County Highway 33W
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-547-1621 / fax 607-547-1618
bosmal@otsegocounty.com

CCSI Coordinator

Michelle Zuk
Family Resource Network
46 Oneida Street
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-432-0001
mzuk@familyrn.org

Mental Health Clinic

Otsego County Community Services
242 Main Street
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-433-2343 / fax 607-547-1618

Bassett Healthcare – Article 28

Bassett Healthcare Outpatient Clinic
One Atwell Road
Building #2, 2nd and 3rd Floors
Cooperstown, NY 13326-1394
607-547-3500 / fax 607-547-3006

Day Treatment Program Not available in this county

Case Management

Otsego County Community Services
242 Main Street
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-433-2343 / fax 607-547-1618

Home and Community Base Waiver

MHA in Ulster County

178 Main Street
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-433-0700 / Fax 607-432-3814

Otsego County (continued)

Community Residence - See Regional Resources

Residential Treatment Facility - see Regional Resources

Psychiatric Emergency Rooms/Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP)

Bassett Healthcare **Article 28**
One Atwell Road
Cooperstown, NY 13326
877-369-6699

Legal Services

Mental Hygiene Legal Services
28 Hill Street, Suite 314
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-432-2980 / fax 607-432-3371

Additional Resources

Parent Group Meeting Series
OFO, Inc. Child Development Program / Head Start
3 West Broadway
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-432-0629

Services: sessions designed for parents around personal growth, parenting skills, problem solving, sharing, films, discussion, resources.

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator
Lorraine Bosma
140 County Highway 33W
Oneonta, NY 13820
607-547-1621 / fax 607-547-1618
bosmal@otsegocounty.com

St. Lawrence County

Director of Community Services for OMH

Judi Cohen, Interim
St. Lawrence Community Services
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jcohen@stlawco.org

Family Support Programs

St. Lawrence County Community Services
St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center - Pritchard Pavillion
1 Chimney Point Drive
Ogdensburg, NY 13669

SPOA/CCSI Coordinator

Lindsay Newvine
Mental Health Services
206 Ford Street, Suite 105
Ogdensburg, NY 13669
315-265-6190 / fax 315-229-3871
lnewvine@stlawco.org

Clinic

St. Lawrence County Mental Health Clinic
80 Route 310
Canton, NY 13617
315-265-6190

St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center
C&Y Outpatient Clinic
1 Chimney Point Drive
Ogdensburg, NY 13669
315-393-3000

Day Treatment

St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center
1 Chimney Point Drive
Ogdensburg, NY 13669
315-393-3000

Case Management

St. Lawrence County Community Services
80 State Highway 310, Suite 1
Canton, NY 13617
Tisha Toon
315-386-2048

Supportive Case Management

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York (formerly North Country TLS)
482 Black River Parkway (mailing) 482 City Center Drive (actual location)
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777 /fax 315-785-8628
Website: www.tlsnny.com

St. Lawrence County (continued)

Home and Community Based Waiver

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York (formerly North Country TLS)
482 Black River Parkway (mailing) 482 City Center Drive (actual location)
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777 /fax 315-785-8628
Website: www.tlsnny.com

Psychiatric Hospital

St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center
C&Y Outpatient Clinic
1 Chimney Point Drive
Ogdensburg, NY 13669
315-393-3000

Samaritan Medical Center
830 Washington Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-785-5768 / fax 315-785-5761

Transition Services

Adult SPOA Coordinator

Lindsay Newvine
Mental Health Services
206 Ford Street, Suite 105
Ogdensburg, NY 13669
315-265-6190 / fax 315-229-3871
lnewvine@stlawco.org

Community Resources

Family Support
Families Together of the North Country
Contact: Cathie Woolledge 315-376-8636 cathiew@nrcil.net
Website: www.ftnc.org/

**Central New York
Regional Resources**
(Revised 3/13)

CNY Regional Family Support

Families Together
888-326-8644 Toll-Free Information Referral Line
info@ftnys.org

Families Together Chapter Region Information:

Adirondack Region

Representing:

Franklin, Clinton, Essex, Hamilton, Warren, Washington Counties
Families First of Essex County, P.O. Box 565 Elizabethtown, NY 12932
Contact: Linda Perry-Snow 518-873-9544 lsnowperry@familiesfirstessex.org

Central Region

Representing:

Oswego, Oneida, Herkimer, Madison, Onondaga, Cayuga, Cortland Counties
Families Support in Central New York
Contact: Elaine Angwin eangwin@ocgov.net

North Central/North Country Region

Representing:

St. Lawrence, Jefferson, Lewis Counties
Families Together of the North Country
Contact: Cathie Wooledge 315-376-8636 cathiew@nrcil.net
Website: www.ftnc.org

Southern Tier Region

Representing:

Chenango, Broome, Delaware, Otsego Counties
The Family Resource Network, Inc. 46 Oneida St., Oneonta, NY 13820
Contact: Meghann Andrews Whitaker 607-432-0001 or 800-305-8814
executivedirector@familyrn.org
Website: www.familyrn.org

Children's Social Emotional Health

Even Mild Mental Health Problems In Children Can Cause Trouble Later

<http://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2015/07/15/423211133/even-mild-mental-health-problems-in-children-can-cause-trouble-later>

Mental Illness Afflicts Many Juveniles in Jail

Parents' barriers to using school psychology services for their child's mental health problems

<http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s12310-015-9152-1?no-access=true>

New Statewide Guidelines Aim to Accommodate and Protect Transgender Students

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/07/21/nyregion/new-statewide-guidelines-aim-to-accommodate-and-protect-transgender-students.html?_r=0

Mindfulness as effective as pills for treating recurrent depression

Mindfulness-based cognitive therapy may be as good as pills at stopping people relapsing after recovering from major bouts of depression, according to a study. Mindfulness-based cognitive therapy (MBCT) was developed from mindfulness techniques, which encourage individuals to pay more attention to the present moment, combined with cognitive behaviour therapy (CBT), specifically to try to help people who have recurring depression. It teaches people to recognize that negative thoughts and feelings will return, but that they can disengage from them. Rather than constantly worrying about them, people can become aware of them, understand them and accept them, and avoid being dragged down into a spiral leading back to depression

Using Brain Science to Boost Social and Emotional Skills

University of Minnesota Extension: This **issue brief** covers recent research on learning and the brain, and its implications for youth development practice. Through understanding and capitalizing on the importance of the social context of learning, teaching youth to focus through single-tasking, tapping in to the power of mindfulness meditation, and providing opportunities for youth to practice and develop willpower, those working with youth have the ability to teach important social and emotional learning (SEL) skills that help young people thrive.

<http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/research/sel/docs/issue-brief-brain-science.pdf>

Social Media, Promoting Mental Health, Decreasing Stigma

Social Media Is Changing How College Students Deal With Mental Health, For Better Or Worse

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/social-media-college-mental-health_55ae6649e4b08f57d5d28845

Let's get teens talking!

One in five teens lives with a mental health condition, yet less than ½ get help. Mental health remains a taboo topic for many so NAMI, with support from SAMHSA, developed a project designed to get teens talking. The project, ***Say it Out Loud***, consists of a toolkit that provides everything you need to engage teens in a conversation about mental health. It includes a short film with the ten common warning signs and three youth sharing their stories, a guide on how to conduct a successful discussion with teens, fact sheets to share with participants and more.

New York City to Teens: TXT ME with Mental Health Worries

An article by NPR reports that New York City is piloting a program in 10 public high schools called NYC Teen Text. NYC Teen Text is a crisis service that allows teens to get connected to counselors using text messaging.

<http://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2015/03/27/395777733/new-york-city-to-teens-txt-me-with-mental-health-worries>

Mental health and African Americans: Breaking the tradition of silence

<http://amsterdamnews.com/news/2015/jul/30/mental-health-and-african-americans-breaking-tradi/>

What's the Worst Part of Depression? These Twitter Users Are Speaking Up. UpWorthy.com

Like most mental illness, depression is widely misunderstood by those who don't live with it.

The Do's and Don'ts of Effective Messaging

This tip sheet provides general guidance on designing and delivering consistent and effective substance abuse prevention messages

National Depression Screening Day kits from Screening for Mental Health, Inc. - *This information may be of interest although it is focused on National Depression Screening Day rather than universal screening.*

The kits include:

- Promotional items -- you choose between [mood rings](#) with decoder keys or [stress balls](#)
- A guide that includes everything you need for a successful event
- Screening forms
- Educational materials about common mental health conditions
- Wellness flyers
- Posters
- Clinician materials
- Year round access to our Downloadable Resource Center, which includes promotional materials (emails, blog posts, posters), and education and clinician material

We also offer kits specifically for organizations who serve [service members, veterans, and their families](#). These kits include resources targeted toward the unique needs of this population.

In addition, we offer [online screening programs](#) that allow you to offer your community free and anonymous screenings. The mobile-friendly screenings integrate seamlessly into your existing website, allow for custom welcome messaging as well as provide resources on the results page. We also offer cost-effective [combination packages](#) that enable you to offer the online screenings and host in-person events.

To learn more, visit our online [shop](#). If you have questions, feel free to call us at 781-239-0071 or email Community@MentalHealthScreening.org

Integrating Mental Health

New learning module on partnering behavioral health & child welfare

Big time props to Network faithful Rich Weisgal for his work with the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions (CIBHS) in developing an E-Learning Module titled "Foundations of Behavioral Health: Partnering to Serve The Mental Health Needs of Children in Child Welfare."

Integrating Medical/Mental Health Care Benefits for Kids & Teens

By [Rick Nauert PhD](#) Psych Central

New research supports the belief that for children and teens, care for mental health problems and substance use problems is best delivered within a primary care setting.

<http://psychcentral.com/news/2015/08/11/integrated-medicalmental-health-care-approach-best-for-children-and-teens/90694.html>

Ohio AAP Launches Building Mental Wellness Learning Modules

Online training offers participants practical tools, convenient option for earning CME credits

Primary care clinicians are often the de facto source of care for children and adolescents with emotional, developmental, or behavioral issues. We know with appropriate identification, evaluation and treatment, children and adolescents living with mental illness can achieve success in school, in work and in family life. However, identification of these challenges and access to care for the affected families is often complex and a large majority of these children fail to be identified or lack access to treatment or supports. Consider these statistics:

- Approximately 21% -- 1 out of every 5 -- U.S. children and adolescents meet diagnostic criteria for a mental health or substance abuse disorder with impaired functioning.
- An estimated \$247 billion is spent each year on childhood mental disorders.
- Yet only about 20% of children receive needed services.

The Ohio AAP has developed the Building Mental Wellness learning modules to help primary care clinicians – and anyone who provides care for children – develop the breadth and depth of clinical skills necessary to confidently provide family-centered, coordinated care to these children and families within the medical home. The information and tools provided in each of the 11 modules can be quickly implemented to immediately help patients and their families. In addition, upon completion of each module (approximately 30-80 minutes in length), clinicians will receive FREE CME credit.

To learn more about the Building Mental Wellness training modules, visit:

<http://ohioaap.org/BMWModuleRegistration> or contact Sean O'Hanlon, Project Manager at sohanlon@ohioaap.org or (614) 846-6258.

Trauma

[How the Legacy of Slavery Affects the Mental Health of Black Americans Today, TheConversation.com](#)

<http://theconversation.com/how-the-legacy-of-slavery-affects-the-mental-health-of-black-americans-today-44642>

[The Effects of Domestic Violence on Unborn Children, ACEsConnection.com](#)

ACEs Connection member Anita Kulick discusses a Michigan State University study that was the first to draw a link between abuse of pregnant women and behaviors exhibited by their children within the first year of life.

[Mandela, I'm Not: The Taxing Life of a Mother Coping With Trauma](#)

Read more at <http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2015/08/13/mandela-im-not-taxing-life-mother-coping-trauma-161360>

Related Prevention Efforts

Teen pregnancy prevention up close and personal

The HHS Office of Adolescent Health (OAH) announced the release of two new video series that reflect on what works for teen pregnancy prevention (TPP) and the impact of TPP programs on the lives of adolescents across the United States.

OAH Grantees: Changing Adolescents' Lives

The first video series provides a personal look at TPP programs in local communities. The initial video features [Sé tú mismo \(Be Yourself\)](#), a positive youth development program for Latino youth in Washington, DC and Montgomery County, Maryland. Hear from the teens themselves about the difference the program has made for them, including one who said that joining the program was "the greatest moment" in her life! Learn more about the national evidence-based Teen Pregnancy Prevention program. Watch grantees work in their communities and see experts answer FAQs about teen pregnancy and teen pregnancy prevention program. More information can be found http://www.hhs.gov/ash/oah/resources-and-publications/multimedia/video_tpp.html

Four Your Information

Two Surveys Are Recruiting Participants, Including Students, Other Youth, and Professionals

The Temple University Collaborative on Community Inclusion of Individuals with Psychiatric Disabilities is seeking to learn more about how to support students with mental health issues to help them succeed in school. "Students who enroll in the study may have a chance to work with someone who will help them to set goals related to their education, relationships, mental health and campus life, and receive encouragement and support to achieve their goals," the researchers say. For more information, [click here](#), contact kpizz@temple.edu or go directly to the survey by [clicking here](#).

The second survey, by the Copeland Center (<https://copelandcenter.com/>), involves seeking the opinions of youth between the ages of 14 and 30 for a proposed youth documentary "to be used nationally for the advancement and expansion of wellness strategies." For the survey, which will be open until August 31, 2015, [click here](#). For more information, write Letty Elenes at lelenes25@gmail.com.

School Mental Health Professional Survey

School Mental Health Professionals (e.g. school counselors, school psychologists, school social workers, school nurses and others) are invited to take an anonymous survey about inter-professional collaboration between school mental health clinicians and pediatric primary care providers. Participation involves answering questions about current practices, comfort in collaborating with pediatric primary care providers, training needs, and beliefs about inter-professional collaboration. If you participate in this study you will have the option of providing your email address to be entered into a raffle for one of two \$50 gift cards. The survey should take approximately 15 minutes to complete. By completing the survey, you are indicating your consent to participate in our study. If questions, please contact Dr. Perna Arora at parora@pace.edu.

You can access the survey by visiting this link: http://pace.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_3EJPuxiCtDBPMDb

NYS OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH CENTRAL NEW YORK FIELD OFFICE

545 Cedar Street, Syracuse, New York 13210

Phone 315-426-3930 / Fax 315-426-3950

The Central New York Field Office facilitates communication between the counties, agencies, recipients and families in the region and the New York State Office of Mental Health. As part of the Office of Mental Health, the CNY Field Office provides information and technical assistance to strengthen and develop recovery based mental health services that are accountable, coordinated and evidence-based. The CNY region includes Broome, Cayuga, Chenango, Clinton, Cortland, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Otsego and St. Lawrence.

ADMINISTRATION

Linda M Nelson, Director, 315-426-3946

e-mail: Linda.Nelson@omh.ny.gov

Ms. Nelson provides administrative leadership and coordination of activities conducted within the Central New York Field Office and the Central New York region of the Office of Mental Health. She works with the Directors/Commissioners of Mental Health in their leadership role in the twenty counties and with the Office of Mental Health Central Office to assist with planning, program development, coordination of services and problem resolution.

Secretary, 315-426-3931

e-mail:

is the secretary to the Director of the CNY Field Office and provides administrative coordination to the Field Office.

Mary Rathbun, Secretary, 315-426-3930

e-mail: Mary.Rathbun@omh.ny.gov

Ms. Rathbun provides administrative assistance and support to the Field Office and is also a member of the CNYFO Suicide Prevention Team.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The Children's Team provides assistance to counties and agencies to ensure a collaborative and comprehensive system of care for children and families and to assist with a Single Point of Access (SPOA) within each county.

Gladys Smith, Director, Children & Family Services, 315-426-3945

e-mail: Gladys.Smith@omh.ny.gov

Ms. Smith provides leadership and coordination for Children and Youth Services within the CNY Field Office. She provides direct assistance for Children & Youth to counties and agencies in the region. She is the CNYFO lead for providing technical assistance related to the implementation of the Single Point of Access (SPOA) committees for Children & Youth and is the liaison for OMH/OMR collaborative initiatives for Children and Youth in the region's central and southern counties.

Katharine O'Connell, RTF Specialist 315-426-3949

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Ms. O'Connell provides technical assistance and coordination for the Residential Treatment Facilities within the CNY region.

Joy Hammond, Children & Youth Specialist, 315-426-3937

e-mail: Joy.Hammond@omh.ny.gov

Ms. Hammond provides direct assistance on children and youth issues in the northern and eastern counties. She is a member of the CNYFO Suicide Prevention Team and is the liaison for OMH/OPWDD collaborative initiatives for Children and Youth.

Susan Lewis, Parent Advisor, 315-426-3936

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Kathleen Liedka, Parent Advisor, 315-426-3944

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Ms. Lewis (working with southern counties) and Ms. Liedka (working with northern counties) work to support and strengthen parents' networks, advocacy, education and leadership in the Central New York Field region.

BUDGET/FISCAL

The fiscal team provides technical assistance to county and agency fiscal staff through close coordination with OMH Central Office fiscal departments (budget, state aid and claims/payment).

Supervising Budgeting Analyst, 315-426-3932

e-mail:

provides fiscal leadership within the CNY Field Office.

Keith DeWitt, Associate Budget Analyst, 315-426-3935

e-mail: Keith.dewitt@omh.ny.gov

Mr. DeWitt is the primary fiscal contact for southern counties.

Jill Tibbett, Associate Budgeting Analyst, 315-426-3947

e-mail: Jill.Tibbett@omh.ny.gov

Ms. Tibbett is the primary fiscal contact for northern counties.

STANDARDS, CERTIFICATION AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

The team provides technical assistance to counties and agencies on regulations and law and reviews new and changing services through the PAR (Prior Approval Review) process. They provide quality assurance services to develop and strengthen mental health services in the region, identifying and sharing models and evidence-based practices and responding to complaints and incidents.

Richard King, Supervisor, Quality Assurance, 315-426-3933

e-mail: Richard.King@omh.ny.gov

Mr. King provides leadership of the Field Office Standards and Certification Team. He has direct certification responsibility for Broome, Cayuga, Chenango, Delaware, Onondaga and Otsego counties. He is the Emergency Preparedness Liaison. He represents the Field Office in the area of co-occurring mental health/substance abuse services.

Amy McMurray, Quality Assurance Specialist, 315-426-3941

e-mail: Amy.Mcmurray@omh.ny.gov

Ms. McMurray has direct certification responsibilities for Cortland, Essex, Fulton, Hamilton, Herkimer, Montgomery, Oneida and Onondaga counties. She also provides leadership regarding coordination of services between OMH and OPWDD within the CNY region.

Wanda Hines McGriff, Quality Assurance Specialist, 315-426-3939

e-mail: Wanda.Hinesmcgriff@omh.ny.gov

Ms. Hines McGriff has direct certification responsibilities for Clinton, Franklin, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Onondaga, Oswego and St. Lawrence counties. She also provides technical assistance and program reviews in ACT (Assertive Community Treatment), Health Homes and Cultural Competence.

Helen Finch White, Quality Assurance Specialist, 315-426-3934

e-mail: Helen.Finchwhite@omh.ny.gov

Ms. Finch White is the lead for following up on complaints received by the Field Office for the CNY region. She also oversees the Adult Homes in the region and provides technical assistance for projects related to health and wellness and linkages with NYS DOH and is a member of the CNYFO Suicide Prevention Team.

PROGRAM SPECIALISTS

Program specialists are generalists within the CNY Field Office with broad knowledge of program, fiscal and regulatory issues. They also work closely with the Directors/Commissioners of Mental Health in their county leadership role as well as with agencies, recipients and families.

Duane Hall, Program Specialist, 315-426-3948

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Mr. Hall is the Program Specialist for the northern counties and is the Field Office lead for Forensic Services. He is the lead for Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) and provides technical assistance and coordination of AOT, the Medication Grant Program and Transition Management. He is also the Field Office lead for psychiatric rehabilitation and PROS. He is the lead for following up on complaints received by the Field Office for the northern counties.

Sharon Frisbie, Program Specialist, 315-426-3938

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Ms. Frisbie is the Program Specialist for the southern counties. She reviews and coordinates new and existing capital projects in the CNY region with the OMH Bureau of Housing Services. She is the lead for providing technical assistance related to the implementation of the Single Point of Access committees for adults (SPOA). She is also the lead for following up on complaints received by the Field Office for the southern counties.

Program Specialist, 315-426-3922

e-mail:

provides technical assistance for special projects throughout the region including the OMH/OPWDD collaborative initiative.

CONSUMER (RECIPIENT) AFFAIRS

Elizabeth Patience, Regional Advocacy Specialist, 315-426-3942

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Ms. Patience provides support and technical assistance to current and planned recipient services in the region in coordination with the OMH Bureau of Recipient Affairs. She works to ensure involvement of recipients in all areas of mental health planning and service delivery.

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CNY Psychiatric Hospitals/Units

Champlain Valley Physician's Hospital

Stephens Mundy, President/CEO
100 Beekman Street
Plattsburgh NY 12901
518-561-2000

St. Lawrence State Psychiatric Hospital

Tim Farrell, Executive Director
1 Chimney Point Drive
Ogdensburg, NY 13669-2291
315-541-2001 / fax 315-541-2041

Mohawk Valley State Psychiatric Hospital

Mark Cattalani, Acting Executive Director
1400 Noyes Street
Utica, NY 13502-3802
315-738-3800 / fax 315-738-4412

Hutchings State Psychiatric Hospital

Mark Cattalani, Acting Executive Director
Stark, Carol, Parent Advocate
620 Madison Street
Syracuse, NY 13210-2319
315-426-3600 / fax 315-426-3603

Greater Binghamton Health Center State Psychiatric Hospital

Mark Stephany, Acting Executive Director
Pam Evans, Parent Advocate
425 Robinson Street
Binghamton, NY 13904
607-724-1391

Partial Hospitalization

Centre Syracuse, LLC

John Wohlers, Clinical Director
Eating Disorders Program
3300 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13206
315-671-2202 x204

CNY RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES

with RTF DIRECTORS & ADVOCATES

STILLWATER RTF (Formerly The Children's Home, RTF)

607-656-9004 / fax 607-656-9076

Janee Valenzuela - Executive Director jvalenzuela@stillwaterrtf.org

Kristen Burghardt - Clinical Director

Stillwater RTF, Inc.

638 Squirrel Hill Road

Chenango Fork, NY 13746

Capacity: 18 (male & female)

Age Range: 7-16

HILLSIDE CHILDREN'S CENTER RTF

315-258-2100 / fax 315-258-2105

Charlie Weld, Director cweld@hillside.com

Mary Seitz, RTF Coordinator mseitz@hillside.com

Susan Allen, Family Advocate SAllen@hillside.com

Hillside Children's Center RTF

7432 County House Road

Auburn, NY 13021

Capacity: 40 (male & female)

Age Range: 11-17

HOUSE OF GOOD SHEPHARD RTF

315-235-7680 / fax 315-235-7689

Zig Malowicki, Interim RTF Coordinator 315-235-7681 zigm@hgs-utica.com

House of Good Shephard

1550 Champlin Avenue

Utica, NY 13502

Capacity: 18 (male)

Age Range: 13-17

C & Y Community Residences

BOYS of Courage – Catholic Charities, Broome County

C & Y Community Residence (Includes 9th crisis bed)
32 Oak Street
Binghamton, NY 13905
607-724-2001

Elmwood Community Residence – RSS

C & Y Community Residence (Includes 9th crisis bed)
11 Elmwood Ave.
Oneonta, NY 13820-2103
607-267-4302
Michelle Zuk - Residential Family Peer Support Program
607-432-0001 mzuk@familyrn.org
Marcie Hamilton, Program Coordinator
mhamilton@rehab.org

Transitional Living Services of Northern New York, Inc.

C & Y Community Residence
1562 Washington Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-782-1777

Montgomery Transitional Services, Inc.

C & Y Community Residence (Includes 9th crisis bed)
33 Highland Road
Amsterdam, NY 12010
518-843-6208

Toomey Residential & Community Services

Cold Springs (Children's) Community Residence
3497 Doyle Road
Lysander, NY 13027
315-426-1576

CNY Family Based Treatment Programs *CLOSED effective March 31, 2013*

BOCES Districts (website: www.boces.org)

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GLOSSARY

"Knowledge is power and enthusiasm pulls the switch." Steve Droke

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Highlighted programs are currently available in the CNY region

Adolescent Sex Abuser/Offender Project

The Adolescent Sex Abuser/Offender (ASA/O) project aims to reduce sexual recidivism of sexually abusing juvenile delinquents identified by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services and New York State Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives. These children/adolescents are identified as needing services. The initiative also aims to protect the public safety through increased community supervision. The project provides psychosexual specific intervention (group and individual) to youth and families, case management, education, advocacy, and wraparound services. This intensive intervention is provided on site at OCFS Aftercare Offices and Probation Departments. This pilot project is located in seven counties: Bronx, Kings (Brooklyn), Monroe, Onondaga, Nassau, and Suffolk. Each site employs clinical staff trained specifically to treat sexually abusing youth. This project started in 2000.

Clinic Treatment

Clinic treatment programs offer traditional outpatient mental health services such as assessment, individual, family, and group therapies and medication management. In general these services are offered from a fixed site but there may be a satellite location and mobile outreach.

Community Residences

Community Residences provide a supervised, therapeutic environment for six to eight children or adolescents, between the ages of 5 and 18 years, that includes structured daily living activities, problem solving skills development, a behavior management system and caring consistent adult interactions. Most often, needed clinical supports for the child and family are provided by community-based services.

Community residences provide a community-based, more normative residential option for some seriously emotionally disturbed children and youth. Without the availability of community residences, children and youth may be unnecessarily placed or kept longer than is appropriate in more restrictive levels of care. Community residences are appropriate for youngsters who are diagnostically the same as youngsters placed in an inpatient or residential treatment facility yet are more independent and able to function in a community based, supervised living environment. These are children who, with supervision, are able to participate in community school, social and recreational activities.

The community residence program model is based upon the following principles:

- Seriously emotionally disturbed children and youth should be served in the least restrictive environment that is clinically appropriate.
- Families should be supported in their efforts to continue and/or resume primary care for their child by the provision of education/information, skill development, and emotional support.
- Treatment for seriously emotionally disturbed youth occurs in a therapeutic milieu that includes structured daily living activities, the teaching of problem solving skills, a behavior management system, and caring, consistent adult relationships.
- Community residences must be strongly networked with other local mental health services including day treatment, inpatient psychiatric care, residential treatment facilities, outpatient clinics, and the other community based services provided under county and voluntary sector auspice.

Coordinated Children's Services Initiative (CCSI)

The Coordinated Children's Services Initiative supports localities to create systems of care that ensure that children who are at risk of residential placement remain at home with their families and in their communities. CCSI is an interagency initiative whose philosophy encompasses a core set of principles. These principles are at all levels of government, across a range of service agencies and programs, and throughout the service planning and delivery process. The principles include:

- To develop and plan for one child and family at a time.
- To provide supports and services in family and community settings.
- To develop parent/professional partnerships.
- To use strength-based approaches.
- To deliver services that are culturally competent.
- To provide care that is unconditional.

Crisis Residence

A crisis residence offers a supervised residential setting for persons requiring stabilization. Crisis beds serve children and adolescents exhibiting acute distress for whom stabilization in an alternate setting may be effective. The expected length of stay is up to 21 days. Children's crisis beds are linked with local psychiatric emergency rooms and acute inpatient programs. Follow up care is provided after discharge and the child and family are linked to community resources and supports.

The major goal of the program is to stabilize the situation and return the child to his home quickly, rather than to provide long-term care. Emphasis is on maintaining the relationships the child has in the community, with his family, referral agency, those resources that have provided services previously, and the school. Services, which can be provided in the community, will not be duplicated in the residence.

The crisis residence provides comprehensive assessment, respite, and service planning on a temporary basis for children who are in emotional, behavioral, or family crisis and who may without this kind of intervention require psychiatric hospitalization. Each program provides a highly structured, individually designed intervention for each resident in accordance with the needs of both child and caregiver. A balance of education, recreation, and activities of daily living are maintained within the residence.

Day Treatment Services

A day treatment program provides services designed to stabilize children's adjustment to educational settings, to prepare children to return to educational settings, and to transition children to educational settings. Day treatment services for children and adolescent provide intensive, non-residential services. The programs are characterized by a blend of mental health and special education services provided in a fully integrated program. Typically, these programs include special education in small classes with an emphasis on individualized instruction, individual and group counseling, family services such as family counseling, crisis intervention, interpersonal skill development, and behavior modification. Children and adolescents receiving day treatment services live at home or in the community but are identified by their school district as seriously emotionally disturbed and cannot be maintained in regular classrooms.

Family-Based Treatment Programs *Program discontinued – CLOSED effective March 31, 2013*

The Family-Based Treatment Program (FBTP) is an essential component of the system of care for children and youth with serious emotional disturbances. FBTP targets children who meet SED criteria, can function in a family setting, and are at risk for restrictive settings. It provides, through a careful matching process, a placement in a family home for children who are able to live in the community under the supervision, and with the support of, surrogate parents. These surrogate parents receive special training in behavior management and other related aspects of caring for youth with SED. Additional supports, including clinical services, are arranged through community mental health programs and other community agencies.

FBT programs serve from 10 to 25 youth. Family Specialists are responsible for providing needed supports to both surrogate parents and families of origin with the goal of having the child return to his/her family of origin whenever possible. Each Family Specialist generally works with a cluster of five sets of surrogate parents and one set of respite parents. In addition to pre-service training, on-going training and support groups are offered to the surrogate and respite parents on a monthly basis. Families of origin may be invited to these trainings or may have separate training and support groups.

Family Support Programs

Family support programs provide an array of services to support and empower families with children and adolescents having serious emotional disturbances. The goal of family support is to reduce family stress and enhance each family's ability to care for their child. To do this, family support programs operate on the principles of individualized care, and recognizing every child and family is unique in their strengths and needs. Connecting family members to other families with children with serious emotional problems helps families to feel less isolated and identify their own strengths. Services include but are not limited to education and information, individual advocacy, family support groups, respite, and family recreation events.

Functional Family Therapy

Functional Family Therapy (FFT) is a family-based prevention and multi systemic intervention program that has been applied successfully in a variety of situations to treat a range of high-risk youth and their families. The FFT program is supported by 30 years of clinical research, which supports its foundation as an evidence-based practice. FFT has been applied with a wide range of youth and their families in various multi-ethnic, multi cultural contexts and with pre-adolescents with conduct disorders, violent acting out and substance abuse issues.

Home and Community Based Services Waiver

The Home and Community Based Services Waiver (HCBS) was developed as a response to experience and learning gained from other state and national grant initiatives. The goals of the HCBS waiver are to:

- Enable children to remain at home, and/or in the community, thus decreasing institutional placement.
- Use the Individualized Care approach to service planning, delivery and evaluation. This approach is based on a full partnership between family members and service providers. Service plans focus upon the unique needs of each child and builds upon the strengths of the family unit.
- Expand funding and service options currently available to children and adolescents with a diagnosis of serious emotional disturbance and their families.
- Provide services that promote better outcomes and are cost-effective.

The target population of children eligible for the waiver are children with a diagnosis of serious emotional disturbance who without access to the waiver would be in psychiatric institutional placement. Parent income and resources are not considered in determining a child's eligibility.

The HCBS waiver includes six new services not otherwise available in Medicaid:

1. **Individualized Care Coordination** includes the components of intake and screening, assessment of needs, service plan development, linking, advocacy, monitoring and consultation.
2. **Crisis Response Services** are activities aimed at stabilizing occurrences of child/family crisis where it arises.
3. **Intensive In-home Services** are ongoing activities aimed at providing intensive interventions in the home when a crisis response service is not enough.
4. **Respite Care** are activities that provide a needed break for the family and the child to ease the stress at home and improve family harmony.
5. **Family Support Services** are activities designed to enhance the ability of the child to function as part of a family unit and to increase the family's ability to care for the child in the home and in community based settings.
6. **Skill Building Services** are activities designed to assist the child in acquiring, developing and addressing functional skills and support, both social and environmental.

Currently there are 610 slots for HCBS waiver in 40 counties and the five boroughs of New York City.

Home Based Crisis Intervention

Home Based Crisis Intervention (HBCI) provides in-home crisis services to families (natural, foster, or adoptive) where a child is at imminent risk of psychiatric hospitalization. Linked to emergency rooms, these programs provide intensive in-home intervention for 4 to 6 weeks with the goals of admission diversion, teaching problem solving skills to the family, and linking the child and family with community-based resources and supports. A counselor is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day to work with the child and family.

The HBCI model contains the following essential elements, which are incorporated into the goals and objectives of each agency providing this service:

- Acceptance of only those families on the verge of having a child placed as a result of psychiatric crisis;
- A crisis-oriented intervention process that sees each family as immediately as possible after the referral;
- These programs are linked to a hospital to assure availability and accessibility;
- Flexible staff hours, including 24 hour a day, 7 day a week response capability;
- An intake and assessment process designed to ensure that no family is left in a dangerous situation;
- An approach to intervention that is multi-faceted, including counseling, skill training, helping the family obtain needed resources and learn problem solving skills;
- A small caseload with each counselor working with only two families at any one time;
- Limits on the length of intervention, usually a brief period of five to six weeks;
- Linking of families with agencies if further treatment or services are needed;
- Follow-up with families, both to assess their progress and to evaluate the program's success.

The target population for the HBCI program is youth 5 to 17 years of age, who are living at home within their natural, foster, or adoptive family, and who are experiencing a psychiatric crisis that would require hospitalization without immediate intensive intervention. In addition, they and their parents must be willing to receive in-home crisis services. Children may have had previous or ongoing contact with the juvenile justice system, the special education system, the Office of Children and Families, and/or the mental health system.

Inpatient Services

Inpatient services are hospital-based programs that offer a full range of treatment and support services, client education, and skill acquisition in an intensively supervised, structured setting. Programs exist in general hospitals (Article 28), freestanding psychiatric hospitals (*Article 31) and State Children's Psychiatric Centers.

*No Article 31's in the CNY Region

Intensive Case Management

The Intensive Case Management program is designed to assist seriously emotionally disturbed children and youth and their families residing in the community. Intensive Case Management Services are part of the Comprehensive Medicaid Case Management Omnibus and are eligible to participate in Medicaid reimbursement. Well-qualified and specially trained professionals assess and coordinate the supports and services necessary to help children and adolescents live successfully at home and in the community. The Intensive Case Manager works intensively with the child's family, and coordinates with teachers and other helping professionals. Services are based on the specific needs and desires of the child and his or her family and are made available for as long as necessary. Flexible service dollars are available to provide services and supports otherwise not available.

Intensive Case Managers are expected to:

- Monitor and coordinate the delivery of necessary assessments;
- Coordinate the development of an individualized, comprehensive service plan;
- Provide crisis intervention services, as needed;
- Provide supportive services to the child's family, in such areas as behavior management, system access, and negotiation, parent education and support groups.

The intensive case management initiative was introduced in 1988 and currently serves children and youth across New York State. Intensive case management for children and youth (CYICM) is the cornerstone program of the NYS comprehensive system of care serving a target group comprised of children with serious emotional disturbances who are considered at risk as defined by the following criteria (NYS OMH, 1988):

- History of psychiatric hospitalization within the last two years with existing risk of re-hospitalization
- Recent hospitalization of greater than 90 days in duration
- History of crisis-related contacts with the mental health system
- History of out-of-home placements due to psychiatric impairment or
- History or treatment in mental health services that are deemed ineffective as demonstrated by the likelihood of impending admission to psychiatric inpatient treatment or a history of unplanned movement out of treatment.

These criteria were originally used to construct rosters of children appropriate for CYICM in each region and continue to be used as guidelines to identify the CYICM target population. Services delivered by intensive case managers (ICMs) are driven by the needs of the child with SED in the context of his/her family.

The overall goal of CYICM is to maintain children in as natural and nonrestrictive environment as possible. The intensity level of CYICM is demonstrated by the 7 day 24 hour response capability of ICMs and the small caseload size. ICMs are expected to be strong advocates for children and families within their local systems of care. Through access to flexible service dollars, ICMs can meet the needs of children and families by purchasing services otherwise unavailable. Overall the CYICM program model is an activist model that stresses the need for service delivery in non-office based settings often in the homes of children and families.

Mental Health Juvenile Justice Diversion Project

Mental Health Juvenile Justice (MHJJ) was established in 1995 and 1996 by a multi-agency workgroup. The goal of MHJJ is to reduce institutional placement with the Office of Children and Family Services by:

1. Screening and assessing juvenile delinquents and their families for mental health and substance abuse needs at probation.
2. Providing direct treatment services in county probation departments as needed.
3. Linking juvenile delinquents and their families with appropriate services in the community.

Eleven counties across New York State have implemented this program and placed mental health and/or substance abuse staff in juvenile probation departments.

Residential Treatment Facilities

Residential Treatment Facilities are designed to provide individualized, active mental health treatment to children and adolescents with a severe emotional disturbance within an intensively staffed residential setting. Residential Treatment Facilities are less restrictive and less intensively staffed than hospital-based programs, but more intensively staffed and provide a wider range of services than community residences. The objective of the program is to help a child improve his or her daily functioning, develop coping skills, support the family and to ensure appropriate community linkages and supports to ensure successful transition to the community. Residential Treatment Facilities range in size from 14-56 beds and serve an average of 760 children per year between the ages of five and 21 years.

School-Based Mental Health Services

The Office of Mental Health provides mental health services in schools through the following means:

- School-based satellite clinics. There are over 200 licensed, school-based satellite clinics throughout the state. School-based clinics offer clinic treatment services, as well as crisis intervention, consultation, technical assistance and training, in the school setting. The school location contributes to better access for family members and coordination of services with schools.
- Off-site services. Licensed clinics which provide mental health services to schools on an as-needed basis may do so as part of their off-site services. The same types of services may be provided under this arrangement as are provided through satellite clinics.
- Special initiatives. OMH currently funds school-based mental health projects in approximately 60 schools throughout the state. Approximately 90% of these are funded and administered in collaboration with other state agencies. Initiatives include the School-Based Mental Health Program and the School Support Projects. School Support projects are a collaboration between OMH and SED. DOH is also a partner in some School Support projects. Descriptions of these projects are provided below.

School-Based Mental Health Program

Initiated in 1995, the School-Based Mental Health Program offers a combination of traditional and non-traditional mental health services to children and adolescents with emotional/behavioral issues who attend low-performing schools. The objective is to maintain children in the least restrictive school and residential environments. In addition to identifying children with mental health needs and ensuring access to needed services, SBMH programs offer coordinated service planning between educators and mental health professionals. There are currently seven School-Based Mental Health Programs in Buffalo, Long Island, New York City and Yonkers.

School Support Projects

The first School Support projects got underway in 2000. These projects integrate mental health professionals within the school's regular processes for identifying, assessing, planning for and delivering services to students with emotional/behavioral issues. In addition, they are designed to enhance family involvement in the development of education and mental health service plans and to offer training in evidence-based practical skills for successfully raising and teaching children with emotional/behavioral issues. School Support projects are also located in low-performing schools. Some School Support projects are co-located in schools with DOH-approved School-Based Health Centers and seek to enhance coordination between primary care and mental health professionals. These projects also offer special training and oversight in evidence-based clinical practices through Columbia University's Center for the Advancement of Children's Mental Health. School Support projects are currently implemented in 54 schools in all five OMH regions.

Single Point of Access

Each local government in New York State has been asked to designate a Single Point of Access for Children and Families (SPOA). The purpose of the SPOA for Children and Families is to identify those children with the highest risk of placement in out-of-home settings and to develop appropriate strategies to manage those children in their home communities. The purpose of the SPOA is to:

- Identify children with the highest risk for placement.
- Develop strategies to manage these children in their home communities using an individualized, strength-based approach.
- Develop better decisions about individualized care planning for children at risk.
- Support communities to manage access to intensive services.

Supportive Case Management

Supportive Case Managers provide ongoing support to children who have been linked with services, and is similar to the ICM program but less intense. SCMs are required to have two or more contacts with the child/family per month, compared to the four required visits per month in the ICM program. SCMs have caseloads of 20 families at a time. Supportive Case Management Services are part of the Comprehensive Medicaid Case Management Omnibus and are eligible to participate in Medicaid reimbursement.

Teaching Family Homes

The Teaching Family Homes are designed to provide individualized care to children and youth with serious emotional disturbances in a family-like, community-based environment. Specially trained parents live and work with four children and youth with serious emotional disturbances in a home-like setting. The teaching parents are responsible for the social education of the children and the implementation of a service plan developed in conjunction with the family and clinical service provider. The focus is on teaching the youth to live successfully in a family, attend school, and live productively in the community.

ACRONYMS

AARP	-American Association of Retired Persons	CSA	-Community Services Association
ACD	-Agency for Child Development	CSB	-Community Service Board
ACHA	-American College of Hospital Administrators	CSEA	-Civil Service Employees Association
ACLAMH	-Assoc. of Community Living Agencies in Mental Health	CSG	-County Services Group
ACRMD	-Assoc. for Children with Retarded Mental Development	CSS	-Community Support Services
ACRMD	-Advisory Council on Mental Retardation of Developmental Disabilities	CT	-Computerized Tomography
ACSW	-Association of Certified Social Workers	D&E	-Diagnosis and Evaluation
ADL	-Activities of Daily Living	D/C	-Discontinue
ADON	-Assistant Director of Nursing	DBL	-Disabilities Benefits Law
AHA	-American Hospital Association	DC	-Developmental Center
AHCA	-American Health Care Association	DCS	-Director of Community Services
AHRC	-Association for Help to Retarded Children	DD Act	-Developmental Disabilities Act
AIDS	-Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome	DDC	-Deputy Director Clinical
AL	-Administrative Law Judge	DDIA	-Deputy Director of Institutional Administration
AMB	-Ambulatory	DDPC	-Developmental Disabilities Planning Council
AMI	-Alliance for the Mentally ill	DDQA	-Deputy Director of Quality Assurance
AMRA	-American Medical Record Association	DDSO	-District Developmental Services Office (OMRDD)
ANIB	-Abuse and Neglect Investigations Bureau	DDTS	-Deputy Director of Treatment Services
AOC	-Administrator on Call	DEA	-Drug Enforcement Administration
AOD	-Administrator on Duty	DFY	-Division for Youth
APS	-Adult Protective Services	DHCR	-Division of Housing and Community Renewal
AR	-Appropriateness Review	DHHS	-Department of Health and Human Services
ARC	-Association for Retarded Citizens	DHR	-Division of Human Rights
ARC	-AIDS Related Complex	Diet Tech	-Dietetic Technician
ARF	-Association of Rehabilitations Facilities	DMH	-Division of Mental Hygiene (former name of OMH/OPWDD)
ARRC	-Administrative Regulations Review Commission	DNR	-Do-Not-Resuscitate
BC/BS	-Blue Cross/ Blue Shield	DOB	-Division of the Budget
BCA	-Blue Cross Association	DOCS	-Department of Correctional Services
BCYS	-Bureau of Children and Youth Services (OMH)	DOH	-Department of the Health
BDSO	-Broome Development Services Office (OMRDD)	DOL	-Department of Labor
BID	-Twice a day	DON	-Director of Nursing
BLTC	-Bureau of Long Term Care (Health Department)	DQA	-Director of Quality Assurance
BOCES	-Board of Cooperative Educational Services	DRG	-Diagnosis Related Group
BOE	-Board of Education	DSAS	-Division of Substance Abuse Services
BOV	-Board of Visitors	DSMIII	-Diagnostic & Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
C/O	-Complaint of	DSS	-Department of Social Services
CAC	-Certified Alcohol Counselor	DX	-Diagnosis
CAP	-Client Assistance Program (CQC)	EAHCA	-Education for All Handicapped Children Act
CASAC	-Certified Alcohol & Substance Abuse Counselor (formerly CAC)	ECT	-Electroconvulsive Therapy
CAT	-Computerized Axial Tomography	EEOC	-Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
CBVH	-Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped	EFA	-Epilepsy Foundation of America
CC&F	-Council on Children and Families	EMS	-Emergency Medical Services
CCA	-Child Care Aide	FDA	-Food and Drug Administration
CHAP	-Child Health Assurance Services	FICA	-Federal Insurance Contributions
CHCS	-Continuing Health Care Services	FOIA	-Freedom of Information Act
CM	-Case Management	FY	-Fiscal Year
CMHC	-Community Mental Health Center	GAO	-General Accounting Office
CMI	-Chronic Mentally ill	GNVHA	-Greater New York Hospital Association
CON	-Certificate of Need	GOER	-Governor's Office of Employees Relations
COOR	-Court Order of Retention	HAC	-Health Advisory Council
COTA	-Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant	HANYS	-Hospital Association of New York State
CPL	-Criminal Procedure Law	HCFA	-Health Care Financing Administration
CPR	-Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation	HEW	-Department of Health, Education and Welfare (now HHS)
CQC	-Commission on Quality of Care	HHA	-Home Health Agencies
CR	-Community Residence	HHC	-Health and Hospitals Corporation
CRC	-Certified Rehabilitation Counselor	HHS	-Department of Health and Human Services (US)
CRT	-Chief Recreation Therapist	HIV	-Human Immunodeficiency Virus
		HMO	-Health Maintenance Organization

HPC	-Health Planning Commission	NYSDMHMRAS	-NYC Dept. of Mental Health & Mental Retardation & Alcoholism Services
HRA	-Human Resources Administration	NYCRO	-NYC Regional Office (OMRDD)
HRF	-Health Related Facility	NYSACRA	-NY Association of Community Residence Administrators
HS	-Hours of Sleep or at bed time	NYSARC	-NYS Association for Retarded Citizens
HAS	-Health Systems Agency	NYSCLMHD	-NYS Conference of Local Mental Hygiene Directors
HX	-History	OAD	-Office of Advocate for the Disabled
IBR	-Institute for Basic Research	OASA	-Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services
ICD	-9-CM-International Classification of Diseases, 9 th Revision of Clinical Modification	OCA	-Office of Court Administration
ICF/DD	-Intermediate Care Facility for the Developmentally Disabled	OGS	-Office of General Services
ICR/MR	-Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded	OHSM	-Office Health Systems Management
ICU	-Intensive Care Unit	OMH	-Office of Mental Health
IEP	-Individual Education Plan	OMRDD	-Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (Now OPWDD)
IHP	-Individual Habilitation Plan	OPD	-Outpatient Department
ILC	-Independent Livings Centers	OPH	-Office of Public Health
IOCC	-Inter-Office Coordinating Council	OPWDD	-Office for People with Developmental Disabilities
IPP	-Individual Program Plan	OT	-Occupational Therapy
IPR	-Independent Professional Review	OVR	-Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
IQ	-Intelligence Quotient	P	-After
ITP	-Interdisciplinary Treatment Plan	P&ADD	-Protection & Advocacy for the Developmentally Disabled
ITT	-Interdisciplinary Treatment Team	PA	-Public Assistance
IUR	-Independent Utilization Review	PAMII	-Protection & Advocacy Systems for the Mentally Ill Individuals (CQC)
IWRP	-Individualized Written Rehabilitation Progress	PASDD	-Protection & Advocacy Systems for the Developmentally Disabled
JCAH	-Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals	PC	-Psychiatric Center
JCAHO	-Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations	PDR	-Physician's Desk Reference
LCER	-Legislative Commission on Expenditure and Review	PEF	-Public Employees Federation
LGU	-Local Government Unit	PER	-Psychiatric Emergency Room
LPN	-Licensed Practical Nurse	PHCP	-Physically Handicapped Children's Program
LRE	-Least Restrictive Environment	PINS	-Person in Need of Supervision
LWOC	-Leave Without Consent	PL94	-142-Public Law 94-142, The Education of All Handicapped Children
MA	-Medical Advisor	PO	-By Mouth
MCT	-Mobile Crisis Team	POC	-Plan of Correction
MD	-Doctor of Medicine	PPHA	-Private Propriety Home for Adults
MDU	-Multipally Disabled Unit	PRN	-As Needed
ME	-Medical Examiner	PRO	-Professional Review Organization
MGT	-Mobile Geriatric Team	PT	-Physical Therapy
MHA	-Mental Health Association	Q	-Every
MHL	-Mental Hygiene Law	QA	-Quality Assurance
MHLS	-Mental Hygiene Legal Services	QAB	-Quality Assurance Bureau (CQC)
MHTA	-Mental Hygiene Therapy Aide	QID	-Four Times A Day
MI	-Mentally ill	QMRS	-Qualified Mental Retardation Specialist
MICA	-Mentally ill with Chemical Abuse	R/O	-Rule Out
MMPI	-Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory	RA	-Residential Aide
MNIL	-Medically Needed Income Levels	RCCA	-Residential Care Centers for Adults
MR	-Mental Retardation	RD	-Registered Dietician
MRB	-Medical Review Board (CQC)	RFI	-Request for Information
MRDD	-Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities	RFP	-Request for Proposal
MSW	-Master Social Work	RN	-Registered Nurse
NAI	-Nurse Administrator 1	RN-C	-Registered Nurse-Certified
NAPAS	-National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems	RSA	-Rehabilitation Services Administration
NI/NII	-Nurse I / Nurse II	RT	-Recreational Therapist
NIDA	-National Institute of Drug Abuse	RTC	-Residential Treatment Center
NIH	-National Institute of Health	RTF	-Residential Treatment Facility
NIMH	-National Institute of Mental Health	SCTA	-Secure Care Treatment Aide
NPL	-Nursing Program Coordinator	SCU	-Secure Care Unit
NSAC	-National Society for Autistic Children		
NTID	-National Technical Institute for the Deaf		
NYALD	-NYS Association for the Learning Disabilities		

SDC	-State Developmental Center	STAT	-Immediately
SDMC	-Surrogate Decision Making Committee (CQC)	STEP	-Sheltered Transitional Employment Program
SED	-State Education Department	TA	-Therapy Aide
SEP	-Supported/ Sheltered Employment Program	TCF	-Transitional Care Facility
SIC	-State Investigation Commission	TD	-Tardive Dyskinesia
SNF	-Skilled Nursing Facility	TEP	-Transitional Employment Program
SOCR	-State Operated Community Residence	TID	-Three Times a Day
SOD	-Statement of Deficiencies	TSA	-Tourette Syndrome Association
SOFA	-State Office for the Aging	TTL	-Treatment Team Leader
SOICF	-State Operated Intermediate Care Facility	UC	-Unit Chief
SP/A	-Speech Pathology and Audiology	UCP	-United Cerebral Palsy
SPC	-State Psychiatric Center	UCSG	-Upstate Community Service Group (OMRDD)
SRO	-Single Room Occupancy	UR	-Utilization Review
SRT	-Senior Recreation Therapist	VA	-Veterans Administration
SRU	-Small Residential Units	VCCA	-Voluntary Child Caring Agency
SSA	-Social Security Administration	VOCR	-Voluntary Operated Community Residence
SSD	-Social Security Disability	VOICF	-Voluntary Operated Intermediate Care Facility
SSDI	-Social Security Disability Insurance	WIC	-Women, Infants and Children's Program
SSI	-Supplemental Security Income		

Introduction to the Board of Regents

Established by the New York State Legislature on May 1, 1784, the Regents of The University of the State of New York form the oldest, continuous state education entity in America. The Regents are responsible for the general supervision of all educational activities within the State, presiding over The University and the New York State Education Department. The Regents are organized into standing committees and subcommittees whose members and chairs are appointed by the Chancellor.

The Board comprises 16 members elected by the State Legislature for 5 year terms: 1 from each of the State's 12 judicial districts and 4 members who serve at large. Regents are unsalaried and are reimbursed only for travel and related expenses in connection with their official duties.

The University of the State of New York is the nation's most comprehensive and unified educational system. It consists of all elementary, secondary, and postsecondary educational institutions, libraries, museums, public broadcasting, records and archives, professions, Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities, and such other institutions, organizations, and agencies as may be admitted to The University. The concept of The University of the State of New York is a broad term encompassing all the institutions, both public and private, offering education in the State.

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Board Committees and Subcommittees

On or around April 15 each year, the Chancellor must appoint members to the standing committees of the Board, established by statute, and designate the chairperson and vice chairperson of each committee. In addition, the chancellor from time to time may establish subcommittees and shall designate the members and chairperson of each subcommittee. Following are the functions of the standing committees and the current subcommittees of the Board of Regents:

Standing Committees

- **Committee on Cultural Education.** Assists the full Board of Regents in serving the trustees of the State Library, the State Museum and the State Archives; develops policy recommendations regarding cultural education; develops and monitors State aid programs to cultural institutions and organizations; monitors the implementation of programs and services for government provided by the State Education Department's Office of Cultural Education; develops budgetary and legislative proposals for cultural education and advocates such proposals and cultural education policies in conjunction with the full Board; reviews and approves amendments to the Rules of the Board of Regents and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education concerning cultural education; and seeks input from the public and the professional field concerning cultural education policies and practices.
- **Committee on Elementary, Middle, Secondary and Continuing Education.** Develops policy recommendations regarding elementary, middle and secondary education, work force preparation and continuing education; reviews the monitoring of elementary, middle and secondary education, workforce preparation and continuing education programs and results; monitors State aid program to elementary, middle and secondary schools; seeks input from the public and the professional field concerning elementary, secondary education and work force preparation and continuing education policies and practices; reviews and approves amendments to the Rules of the Board of Regents and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education pertaining to elementary, middle and secondary education, work force preparation and continuing education; reviews the provision of technical assistance to elementary, middle and secondary schools; develops legislative and budgetary proposals for elementary, middle and secondary education, work force preparation and continuing education; and initiates studies and activities leading to the improvement of educational conditions and outcomes for children from birth through high school graduation and adults in work force preparation and continuing education programs.
- **Committee on Ethics.** Develops written guidelines for ethical conduct by Board members; assures that Board members are advised by the State Education Department's Office of Counsel with respect to requirements of Public Officers Law and other relevant laws and regulations relating to the conduct of the Regents; advises Board members when potential conflicts of interest arise; reviews allegations of unethical conduct against or by Board members; makes reports and recommendations to the full Board, as appropriate; and reviews written guidelines applicable to State Education Department employees.
- **Committee on Higher and Professional Education.** Develops policy recommendations regarding postsecondary education and retraining programs; oversees preparation of the statewide plan for the development of postsecondary education and reviews and approves amendments to institutional or sectoral master plans for new programs and facilities; reviews and approves amendments to the Rules of the Board of Regents and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education pertaining to postsecondary education issues, including academic and professional program approval, student and institutional financial aid, professional licensure requirements, and the administration of continuing professional competence requirements; oversees administration of continuing competence requirements for professional licensure and registration; develops policy recommendations regarding professional human resources, examination and licensure issues and requirements, including minority access to professional education and licensure; reviews and approves appointments to the State boards for regular service (advising on licensure, examinations, practice and discipline) for the professions in conjunction with the Regents Committee on Professional Practice; reviews and approves the recommendations of the Staff Committee on the Professions on applications for waiver of licensure requirements; monitors the financial conditions of postsecondary institutions; develops legislative and budgetary proposals for higher and professional education; recommends appointments to advisory councils and boards; and seeks input from the public and the field concerning postsecondary education policies and practices.

- **Committee on Professional Practice.** Develops policy regarding standards of professional conduct, continuing competence standards, professional practice issues, professional assistance programs and the disciplinary process; monitors the implementation of the licensure/disciplinary function by the State Education Department; reviews and approves appointments to the State Boards for the Professions for service on licensure/disciplinary panels; reviews Regents Review Committee recommendations and proposed consent orders and surrenders of license in professional discipline cases; reviews the recommendations of the staff Committee on the Professions on petitions for restoration of a professional license; seeks input from the public and the professions concerning professional policies and practices; and develops legislative and budgetary proposals relating to professional practice and professional discipline.
- **Committee on Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities.** Develops policy recommendations regarding vocational rehabilitation, overall coordination of vocational and educational services to individuals with disabilities, and coordination of interagency agreements and activities; monitors the implementation of vocational rehabilitation programs and services and of interagency agreements; develops legislative and budgetary proposals for vocational rehabilitation and related educational services for individuals with disabilities, and leads in pressing for legislative and budgetary priorities within the State Education Department and with the Legislature; reviews and approves amendments to the Rules of the Board of Regents and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to vocational rehabilitation and related educational services for individuals with disabilities; reviews the development and implementation of the Regents Comprehensive Plan for the Office of Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities; and seeks input from the public and professional field on policies and practices concerning vocational rehabilitation and related educational services for the disabled.
- **Committee on Policy Integration and Innovation.** Guides the strategic planning effort of the Board of Regents; recommends improvements in the structure, operations and staff support of the Board; plans Board retreats and training; and plans the periodic evaluation of the commissioner by the Board.

Subcommittees

- **Subcommittee on State Aid.** Develops legislative recommendations and policy to implement A New Compact for Learning strategy by seeking appropriate resources to ensure that all students in the State achieve the sound basic education necessary for successful adult role
- **Subcommittee on Audits.** Reviews audits of educational entities conducted by the State Education Department and audits of the department by Federal and State auditors; gives policy level feedback to department staff about audit findings, trends across audits, and courses of constructive action to address problems; Advises on the two-year audit plan of the department.
- Information on Regent Board and Committee membership can be found at www.regents.nysed.gov/