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A news update from Adirondack Health Institute

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News Headlines

CMS Hosting Making Care Primary Model Overview Webinar on June 27

The **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)** will host a webinar on **June 27, 2023** to provide an overview of the **Making Care Primary (MCP) Model**.

MCP provides a pathway from Fee For Service payment to prospective, population-based payment that supports comprehensive primary care to improve quality, patient experience, and population health outcomes.

During the session, the MCP team will discuss the goals of the Model in addition to eligibility, participant types, care delivery requirements, performance assessment, and payment structure. The forum will also provide guidance on the application process, timeline, and resources available.

Session information and registration link are included below. Questions can be submitted in advance to their team using the field at the end of the registration form.

MCP Model Overview Webinar:

Tuesday, June 27, 2:00-3:30pm ET

Register to attend here:

https://deloitte.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3v_vSRiIT3iOsn7eRgEggg

Following the event, presentation materials will be available on the MCP Model webpage (<https://innovation.cms.gov/innovation-models/making-care-primary>).

You may contact the MCP Help Desk at MCP@cms.hhs.gov with questions. To stay up to date on upcoming model announcements, events, and resources, join the MCP Listserv by visiting the MCP Model webpage at <https://innovation.cms.gov/innovation-models/making-care-primary>.

Learn about Families First in Essex County!

Families First in Essex County, Inc. is a non-profit agency that provides supports and services for children/youth and their families who may be struggling socially, emotionally, or behaviorally.

Families First offers free programs and services while partnering with families to improve the youth's ability to function in their home, school, and community.

To learn more, click [here](#)!

A new edition of the **Family Services Association of Glens Falls, Inc.** newsletter is available.

Click [here](#) to read!

A new edition of the **Moreau Community Center** newsletter is available.

Click [here](#) to read!

New York State Department of Health Releases Three New Reports Showing How Tobacco Control Policies Help Reduce Tobacco Use by Adults and Youths

New York State's Department of Health has released the [BRFSS Brief: Cigarette Smoking, NYS Adults, 2021](#), [StatShot: Youth Tobacco Use Continues to Decline Across All Product Types in 2022](#), and [From Policy to Practice: Changes in New York Statewide Tobacco Policies and Tobacco-related Outcomes](#) reports.

The timely release of these reports provides New Yorkers with information on smoking rates for the NYS adult population by demographic indicators, youth tobacco rates over time, and describes recent NY statewide tobacco control policies and brings together findings from multiple data sources regarding key tobacco-related statistics.

While policies restricting the purchase of harmful tobacco products can be effective in improving health outcomes, there is a continued need for more policies to protect vulnerable populations. According to the BRFSS Brief, the prevalence of adult cigarette smoking in [NYS in 2021 was 12.0%](#) however, the smoking rates remained the highest among [adults with an annual household income of less than 25,000 \(20.4%\);](#) [adults reporting frequent mental distress \(19.7%\);](#) [adults with less than a high school education \(19.2%\);](#) [adults enrolled in Medicaid \(19.1%\);](#) [adults who were unemployed \(20.2%\);](#) and [adults living with disability \(17.4%\)](#). Although sustained declines in youth tobacco use were observed across all tobacco product category types, [one in five NYS youth currently use tobacco products; E-cigarettes remained the most commonly used tobacco product among youth](#).

The Clear the Air in the Southern Adirondacks (CASA) team continues to highlight tobacco disparities in our local communities and connect with individuals to mobilize their communities for change. Contact our CASA team at [facebook.com/CASASWW](https://www.facebook.com/CASASWW) or email casa@ahihealth.org to learn how you can create change in your community.

Events

Open to Washington County Adults 60+

Washington County

Senior Picnic

Washington County

Fair Grounds

in Easton, New York

Friday, July 14, 2023

10:00am – 2:00pm

Tickets available

Games

Register Your Team
By July 3, 2023

Prizes

June 6, 2023 through June 30, 2023 at

*Washington County Office For Aging
and Disabilities Resource Center*

383 Broadway – Ft. Edward, NY

\$5.00 Suggested Contribution

We will be serving a hot dog with meat sauce, macaroni salad,
baked beans and strawberry shortcake.

Decaf Coffee and Donuts at 10am

Each team will consist of 5 players. If participating in the games please
submit the name of the team and the players to our office by July 3, 2023.



For more information, please contact
Mindy Dudley at (518) 746-2565

Telehealth Learning Collaborative July 17, 2023

The North Country Telehealth Partnership will be hosting the next Telehealth Learning Collaborative on July 17, 2023 from 2:00 - 3:00pm. The featured presentation topic and speakers to be announced prior to the meeting.

TO REGISTER PLEASE CLICK [HERE](#).

North Country Care Coordination Workforce Collaborative (NCWC) presents:

Working with Individuals Actively Using Alcohol and/or Drugs: Knowledge, Strategies and Dialogues

During this virtual training, attendees will gain knowledge of the different types of drugs and how to recognize the signs that patients/clients may be actively using drugs and/or alcohol.

In addition, strategies to work with patients/clients who are actively using drugs and/or alcohol and express a desire to stop, as well as those who do not express a desire to stop or who may be relapsing on substances will be shared. Discussion will include the Five Stages of Change, motivational interviewing skills, changes in the addiction field from an abstinence model to a harm reduction model, what harm reduction models look like and sample dialogues to utilize in challenging situations.

This webinar is geared for care/case managers, care coordinators and peers.

DATE, TIME & LOCATION

Thursday, July 27, 2023
11:30am - 12:30pm
Virtual via Zoom



Presenters:

Jennifer Neifeld, Adv. CASAC, CARC
Chief Executive Officer
820 River Street

Jacqueline Foster, Adv. CASAC
Chief Operating Officer
820 River Street

Registration:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkcOqqrz0tGtSnwlcEGtJ_wxi16fMt2nOz

CECs for Social Work, Licensed Mental Health Counseling, Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy are pending.

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TEEN INTERVENE

New! Fourth Edition

TRAINING

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September 19th
9AM - 4PM

Teen Intervene is a tested, time-efficient, OASAS recognized, evidence based program for teenagers (ages 12-19) suspected of experiencing mild or moderate problems associated with alcohol or other drug use.

6 clock hours for CPS/ CPP Initial;
CPS/ CPP/ CASAC Renewal

[CLICK TO REGISTER](#)



FOR MORE INFORMATION:
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The goal of this workshop is to increase clinical skills using a brief intervention with adolescents using alcohol and/or other substances. This workshop focus on the implementation of Teen Intervene, 4th Edition, including the expanded tobacco session, updated drug trend language, and guidance for virtual implementation.

This training is free and program manuals will be provided.

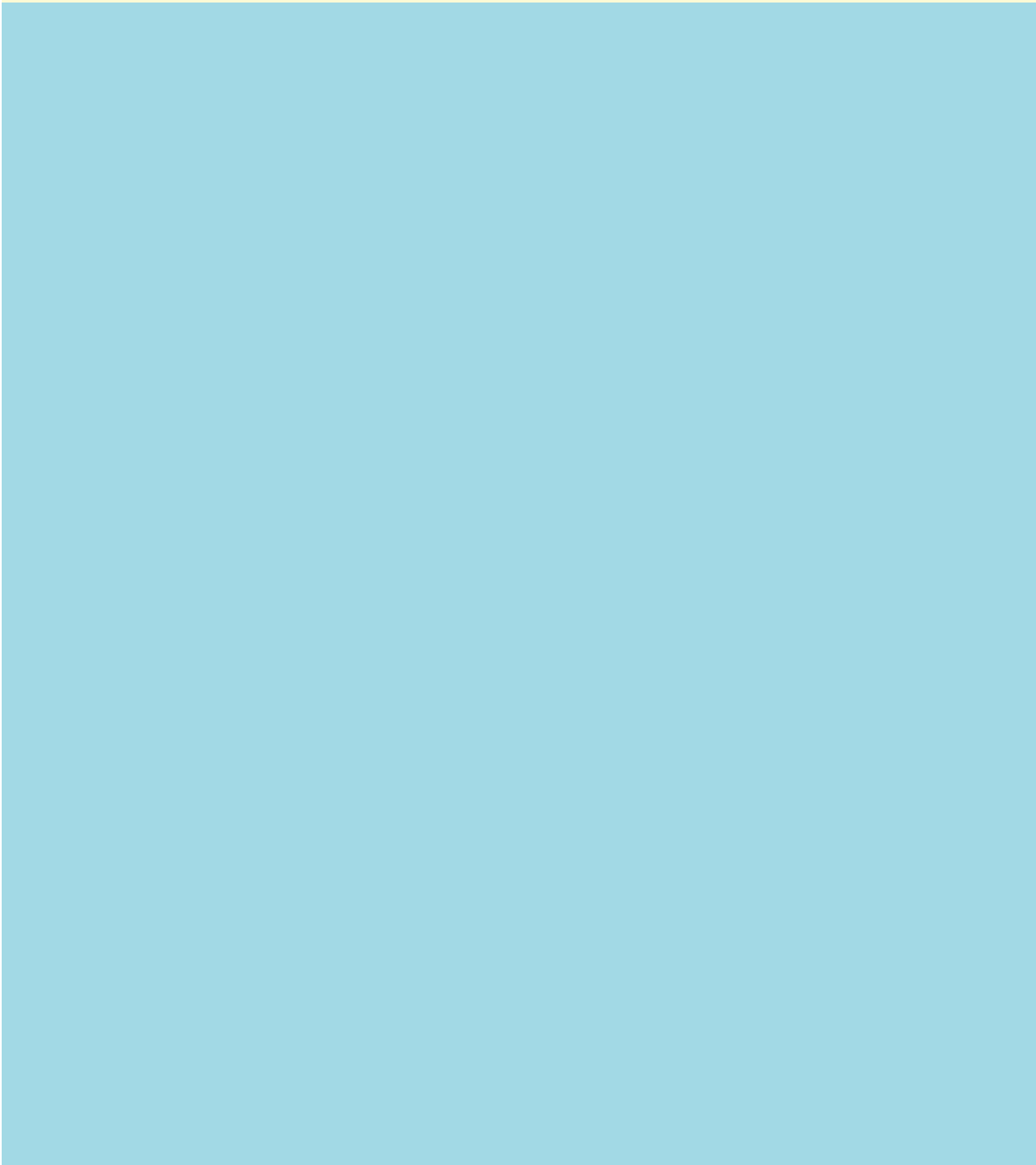
Space limited to 20 participants. Register by September 12th.

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| <p><i>Lake George, NY</i></p> <p>SEPTEMBER</p> <p>27-28, 2023</p> | <p>2023 NORTH COUNTRY LEADERSHIP SUMMIT</p> <hr/> <p><i>Enhancing Equitable Healthcare in Rural Communities</i></p> |
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SEIZURE FIRST AID CERTIFICATION

EPILEPSY FOUNDATION

END EPILEPSY

WHAT IS IT?

This Seizure Recognition and First Aid Training was developed by the Epilepsy Foundation. It contains information and activities on seizures, epilepsy, and seizure first aid. The first aid procedures reflect the standard of knowledge and current best practices.

WHO CAN TAKE IT?

Adults can participate in the training program. It is available through instructor led live webinars.

WHEN DOES IT TAKE PLACE?

Date: The first Wednesday of every month!
Time: 3:00PM-4:30PM
Registration link: <http://bit.ly/WebinarWedSFACert>

HOW DO I GET CERTIFIED IN SEIZURE FIRST AID?

These are your next steps:

- Register for the training.
- Complete a quick pre-test. (The link will be sent with your registration confirmation email.)
- Participate in the live webinar.
- Take the post-test.

HOW LONG IS THE CERTIFICATE VALID?

Participants who successfully complete the course will receive a **two-year certification** that can be renewed in the future!

WHOM DO I CONTACT?

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May 3, 2023
June 7, 2023
July 5, 2023
August 2, 2023

September 6, 2023
October 4, 2023
November 1, 2023
December 6, 2023

Other Information and Resources

Community Job Postings

Community Connections of Franklin County is seeking a **Peer Coordinator** to work in the emergency department at Adirondack Medical Center. For more information or to apply, please contact Lee Rivers at livers@communityconnectionsfcny.org.

If you are an organization that would like a link to your job posting(s) included in a future AHInformer, please send the information to us at communications@ahihealth.org.

Struggling to afford internet service?

Visit [AffordableConnectivity.gov](https://www.AffordableConnectivity.gov) to learn more about and apply for the Affordable Connectivity Program.

Addiction and Mental Healthcare Access Assistance

AHI's **CHAMP (Community Health Access to Addiction and Mental Healthcare Project)** program assists individuals and their families with accessing substance use disorder and mental health treatment services. We can help by breaking down barriers to care, including provider network and other health insurance related issues. We serve nine counties: Clinton, Essex, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Fulton, Hamilton, Saratoga, Warren, and Washington.

CHAMP is a FREE and CONFIDENTIAL service available to everyone, regardless of insurance coverage, including the uninsured.

Call us at **1.866.872.3740** or visit our [website](#) to for more information.

Information sessions can be scheduled, and materials made available upon request – contact us for more details!

Keep New York Covered

Important Changes to New York Medicaid, Child Health Plus and the Essential Plan

Do you or a family member currently have health insurance through New York State Medicaid, Child Health Plus, or the Essential Plan? New York State is resuming eligibility reviews and renewals for people enrolled in these programs. **This means you may need to take action to renew your health insurance or the insurance of your family members.**

AHI's EASE enrollment team can help! EASE provides FREE and CONFIDENTIAL service to everyone, regardless of insurance coverage, including the uninsured.

Call us at 1.866.872.3740 or visit our site at ahihealth.org/knyc for more information.

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COVID-19 Resources

For links to various COVID-19 resources for community partners, please visit [AHI's website](#).

Share Your Updates

AHI partners in Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Hamilton, Saratoga, St. Lawrence, Warren, and Washington counties are encouraged to send news items to communications@ahihealth.org to be considered for inclusion in the AHInformer.

This edition and past issues of the newsletter are available at <https://ahihealth.org/ahi-news/ahinformer/>.

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