

## Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery

An Affiliate of NEAAR, New England Alliance for Addiction Recovery, A CSAT Recovery Community Grantee

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### MOAR News at a Glance

i NEAAR *Families and  
Addiction Recovery  
Celebration*

coming this May!

h NEAAR Represented on CSAT Recovery Community Grantee Panel in DC

i CORI Public Health Council Hearing Rendezvous II –March 27- Go!

h Boston Consortium for Families in Recovery Event – February 15 – Great!

h *Annual Women and  
Addiction Recovery  
Conference-*

March 5 - Sponsored by

Institute for Health and Recovery, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services,

Interested: Call AdCare Educational Institute, 508-752-7313

i *Harvest of Recovery for  
Women* – March 9–Presiding:LaVerne Saunders,

Dorrington & Saunders Production, BPHC-249 River Street , Mattapan

h *Women and Recovery  
Speakers Bureau Event,*  
March 8, Springfield College

i *Partnering for Recovery  
& Rehabilitation,*

March 7, Marlboro,

MBHP sponsored.

h MOAR Received Official Non Profit Status from IRS!

## MOAR Meetings at a Glance

i Springfield ~ Plans an *Addiction Recovery Seminar for The Medical Community*,

Ideas wanted! March 29, 5:30, Phoenix House, 5 Madison Ave.

i Lowell ~ *Hart House Women in Recovery Host-(* Tewksbury) ,March 9, 10:30 to Noon.

i Boston ~ *Women in Recovery ala Kattie Portis,* March 7, 4:15,Atrium II, Faulkner

i New Bedford ~ **NEW** ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Introductory Meeting during Task Force meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 3:15, Prevention Partners, 360 Coggeshall St

i Worcester ~ Alcohol Awareness Month Activity Planning Meeting~

Thursday, March 8, 3 PM, AdCare Hospital, 107 Lincoln Street

## Career Opportunities

h Counselor Positions , Boston Medical Public Health Center, call: 617-534-4325

h Boston Consortium for Families in Recovery Grant Participant Interviewers-

call: New England Research Institute, 617-923-7747, extension 347

## NEAAR Represented on National Public Policy Conference in our Nation's Capitol

Rick Sampson, Center of Substance Abuse Treatment State and Community

Assistance Director, shared the history of CSAT's 19 Recovery Community Support Project to give a face and voice to addiction recovery. Invited by NAADAC, New England, Virginia, and Pennsylvania CSAT Project representatives presented highlights of celebrations, public education, and marches. The Pennsylvania project actually built houses with Habitat for Humanity- that's a gift from recovery! Now a *National Recovery Movement* with assistance from The Alliance Project's Jeff Blodgett, is *moving* !

## **CORI Public Health Council Rendezvous II –March 27<sup>th</sup>- You are Invited!**

The Public Health Council will review CORI regulations, as currently drafted, on Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. On January 19<sup>th</sup>, over 160 oral and written testimony were given against the current the CORI regulation. You may send testimony to other EOHHS agencies – Office of Community Correction Services, Department of Social Services, Department of Transitional Services, and Division of Rehabilitation. MOAR info: Call Massachusetts Law Reform Institute-617-357-0700.

## **MOAR Members Develop Recovery Community Action Plans ~ You are invited!**

*January 25* – *Focus* *Community and Public Outreach-*  
*th* *Springfield*  
 – *Recovery*

*Attendees* – Bill Scituro, Pete Crumb, Diane Teta, Karen Sullivan, Diane Gahres, Bob Pisani, Tanyss Martula ,Diane Kurtz, Peggy Thorn, George Thorn, Diane Teta, Donna Rivest, Jim Rivest, Roberta Evans, Ruth Jacobsen Hardy and Peter Crumb strategized our role of empowering recovery from our application brochure's message, public education, building alliances, celebrations—planning for life beyond the current grant. Members called for MOAR simplification of the application brochure that attracts the eye to involvement. Last meeting called for outreach to the medical community in response to the need for greater screenings. Diane Kurtz followed up with a visit to Holyoke Hospital, and an invitation for MOAR to do Grand Rounds. In alliance with the current need for adolescent services and policymaker support-members decided to propose a panel with an adolescent in recovery, a parent, a doctor, and a policymaker. Then members focused on *The NEAAR Families in Recovery Celebration* for this May!

*February 2* – *Focus* *Recovery Home Graduation*  
*nd* *Lowell-*  
 – *Housing After*

**Dialogue with Institute for Health and Recovery' s Housing Specialist, Nancy**

**Tierney and SHARE Loan Director- Cathy Dwyer-Attendees:** Pierre Descoteaux, Janice Archer, Tricia Wood, Daniel Ronan, Lona Demers, Ivelisse Alvarado, Victoria Buckley, Jerry Cormier, Jim Cremer, Jaya Levy, Andrea Canty, Lisa Twente, Daniel Roman, Sandy Gaines, Lynn Sousa reviewed housing options and guidelines via sober housing,  $\frac{3}{4}$  quarter way, grants, and community organizations. A Housing Committee developed from the meeting- and they will meet and report next meeting. Note: MOAR Lowell will participate in National Alcohol and Drug Screening Day – April 5<sup>th</sup>.

*February 14<sup>th</sup> Boston-*  
*Focus – National Alcohol*  
*and Drug Screening – Dialogue*  
**with MBHP's Jim LaPrade and Kim Holt- Attendees:** Ray Hoitt, Greg Arsenault, John Frazier, Mary Neilson, Jim Carroll, Amos Marshall, John MacIsaac, Dan Lynch, Lisa Clark, Lisa Midwood, and Carol Carey agreed to do recovery community advocacy outreach to parents of adolescents, who are in MBHP contracted mental health services. MBHP's goal is to diagnose for co-occurring adolescent alcohol and drug use, as an intervention measure. This led to the start of a Speaker's Bureau Committee with Ray Hoitt, as chair- interested- call him at 617-983-7735. March 7, we focus on *Women in*  
*Recovery and April Alcohol*  
*Awareness Month Activity*  
*Planning with Kattie Portis.*

*January 24<sup>th</sup> New Bedford*  
*Into to MOAR at*  
*Substance Abuse Task*  
*Force Mtg*

Attendees focused on their current energetic list of activities, and ways MOAR would be valuable. Decision to review and meet again during the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**MOAR Sincerely, Maryanne Frangul es, MOAR Project Coordinator, 617-423-6627**

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