

**ONEIDA COUNTY**

**OPIOID TASK  
FORCE  
MEETING**

**September 23, 2020 - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**



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# Agenda

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- **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
- **Opioid Intervention Court**
- **Workgroup Reports**
  - *Overdose Response Team*
  - *Treatment Enhancement Team*
  - *Recovery Team*
  - *Prevention Team*
- **Task Force Coordinator Updates**
- **Partner Updates / Discussion**

# Welcome & Opening Remarks

**County Executive Anthony J. Picente, Jr.**, *Co-Chair*

**District Attorney Scott D. McNamara**, *Co-Chair*

**Sheriff Robert M. Maciol**, *Co-Chair*

**Michael J. Romano**, *Oneida County Dept. of Mental Health*

**Phyllis D. Ellis**, *Oneida County Health Dept.*

# Opioid Intervention Court

**Hon. Gregory J. Amoroso,** *Rome City Court*

**Tabatha Sellick,** *LMSW, CASAC-II, Oneida County Treatment Courts*





# H.O.P.E Oneida County Intervention Court

**Hon. Gregory Amoroso**

Acting Oneida County Court Judge

**Robert Fuller, Case Manager**

**Tabatha Sellick, Resource Coordinator II**





# Mission Statement

The H.O.P.E Intervention Court is presided over by the Hon. Gregory Amoroso, professional staff members and agencies committed to help individuals stabilize from substance use.

H- Healing

O- Opportunity

P – Prevention

E - Education



# What is high risk?

- Opiates, fentanyl or heroin use
- History of drug overdose
- IV drug use
- Pregnant and using illegal drugs
- Individuals being released from jail and have a history of opioid use
- Using illegal drugs known to be mixed with fentanyl
  - Synthetic drugs, “Fake Molly”, cocaine, methamphetamine



# Community Stakeholders

- Oneida County Public Defenders Office
- Oneida County District Attorney's Office
- Oneida County Probation Department
- Oneida County Sheriff Department
- Oneida County Jail
- Oneida County Department of Social Services
- Rome PD
- Utica PD
- Beacon Center (Utica & Rome)
- Insight House -Helio
- Community Recovery Center -CRC
- ACR Health

# 10 Essential Elements of Opioid Intervention Courts

1. Broad legal eligibility
2. Immediate screening for risk of overdose
3. Informed consent after consultation with defense counsel
4. Suspension of prosecution or expedited plea
5. Rapid clinical assessment and treatment engagement

# Program Overview

- Connect individuals to substance abuse treatment within 24 hours
- Monitors treatment compliance
- 30-day observation period
- Focused on stabilization
- 90-day program participation
- Promotes recovery, improves quality of life, reduces recidivism



# Program Criteria

- Misdemeanors and Non-Violent Felony Offenses (to include new charges and VOPs)
- Individuals with high risk to drug overdosing
- Willing to engage in substance abuse treatment



# Program Updates

- Accepting new referrals
- Virtual court appearances 3x a week  
**Monday, Wednesday & Thursday:**
  - **Rome:** 8:30 AM- 9:00 AM
  - **Utica:** 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM
- Court urine drug screens are on hold  
Following protocol guidance from NYS

# Benefits of H.O.P.E Intervention Court

- Can reduce recidivism
- Connects defendants to substance abuse treatment immediately
- Intensive case management
- Regular judicial monitoring
- Can improve the outcome in the case
- Improved quality of life
- Increases recovery capital



# Referrals



**Provide defendant's name, contact information and legal charges**  
**(Referral forms available)**



**Contact the Case Manager or Resource Coordinator directly**

**Robert Fuller**

**Tabatha Sellick, LMSW, CASAC-II**

# Contact Information

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tsellick@nycourts.gov



# Questions





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COUNTY EXECUTIVE ANTHONY J. PICENTE, JR., CO-CHAIR  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY SCOTT D. MCNAMARA, CO-CHAIR  
SHERIFF ROBERT M. MACIOL, CO-CHAIR

## Task Force Coordinators:

LISA WORDEN, PUBLIC HEALTH  
JARED HENDERSON, MENTAL HEALTH

STEERING COMMITTEE

OPIOID TASK  
FORCE

PREVENTION  
TEAM

OVERDOSE  
RESPONSE  
TEAM

RECOVERY  
TEAM

TREATMENT  
ENHANCEMENT  
TEAM

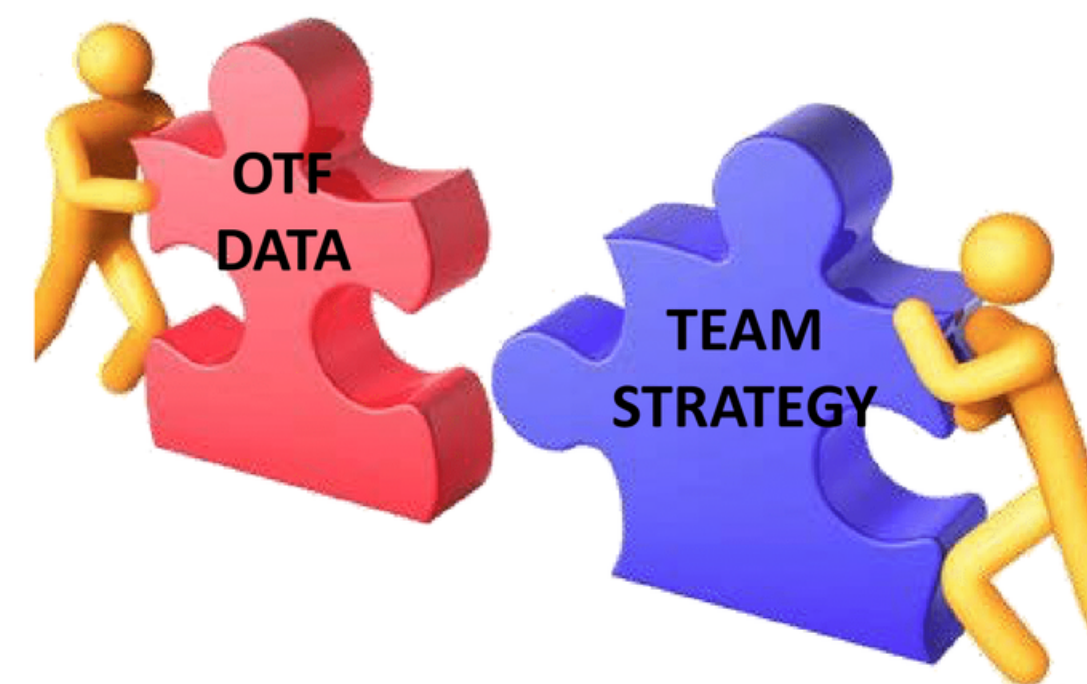
# BJA Grant & OTF Implementation Plan

*Partnerships to Support Data-driven Responses to Emerging Drug Threats*

## □ Phase 1 – Planning: Data Collection & Analysis

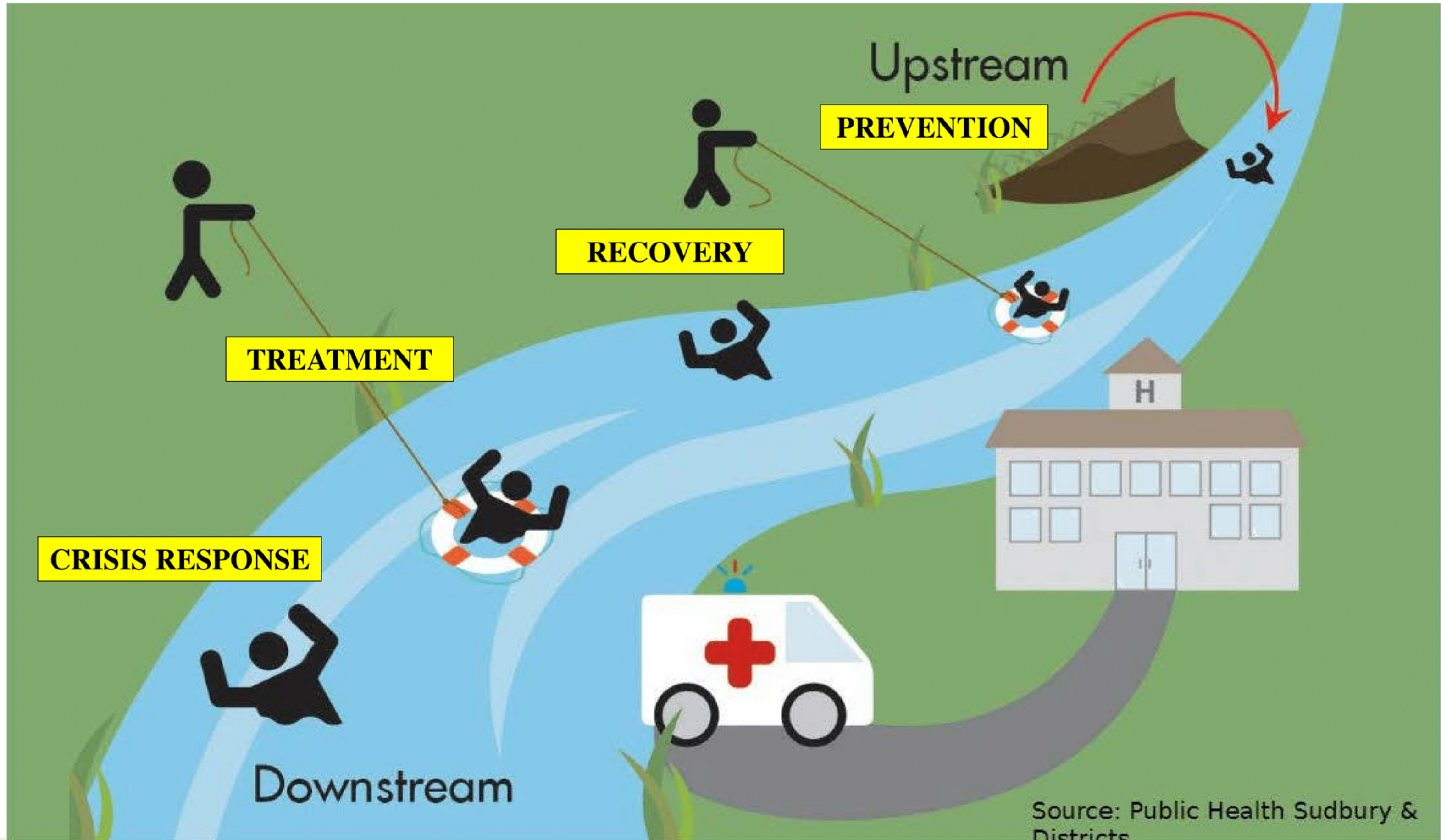
## □ Phase 2 – Implementation Plan w/Data-driven Strategies

- All OTF Teams met in August/September
- Identify Objectives that meet the following criteria
  - ✓ *Data-driven*
  - ✓ *Broad partnership support*
  - ✓ *Evidence-based*
  - ✓ *In line with team's focus area*
- Survey Task Force on proposed activities that meet criteria
- Final Draft of OTF Implementation Plan in next few weeks





# OTF Strategic Approach



# Overdose Response Team Report

**Lisa Worden**, *Oneida County Health Department*

**Lt. Sean Dougherty, Junior Laracuenta & Cory White**, *Mohawk Valley  
Crime Analysis Center (MVCAC)*

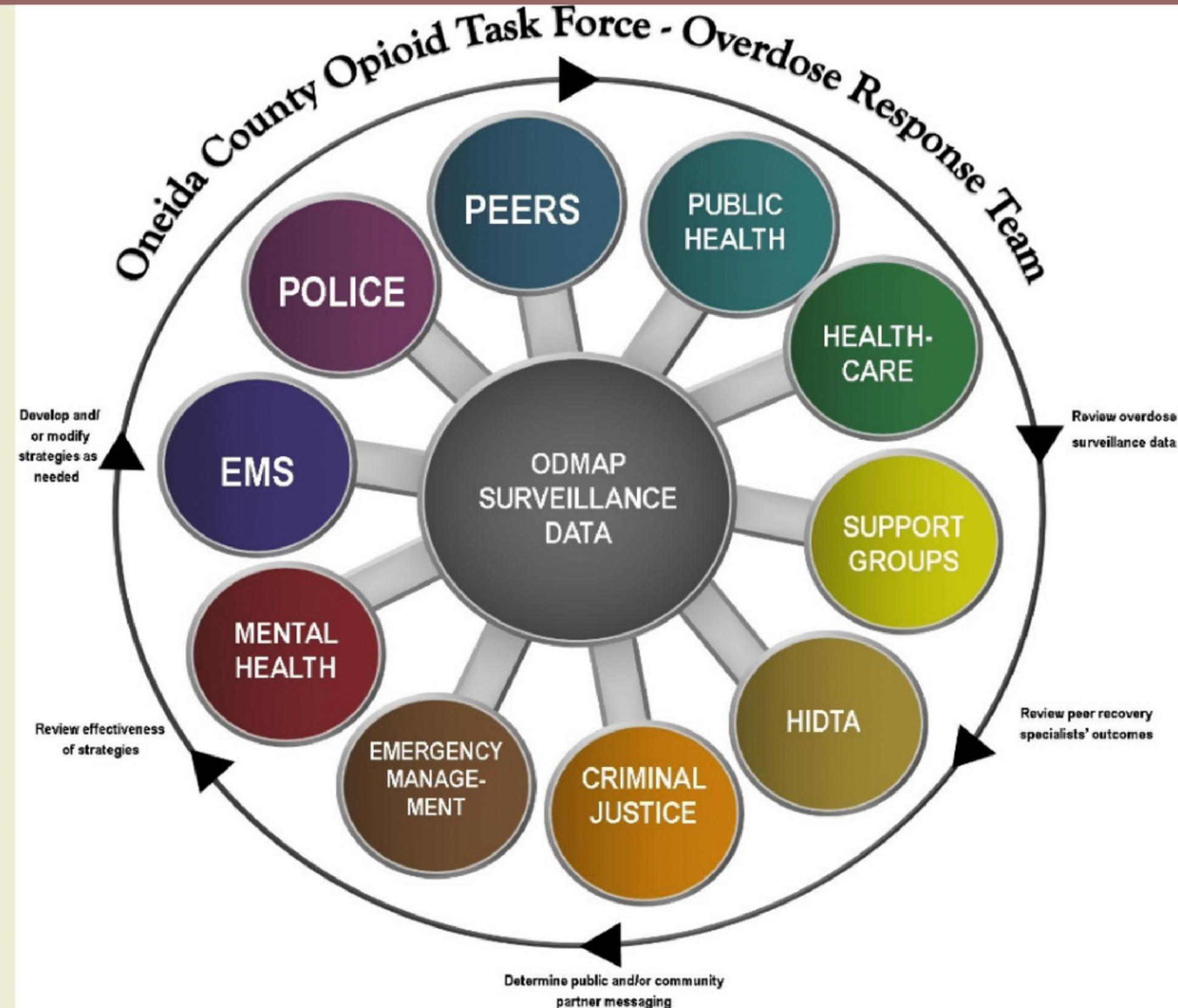
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Department*

**Jared Henderson**, *Oneida County Department of Mental Health*



# Overdose Response Team Initiatives

- **Data Collection, Analysis & Information Sharing**
  - “Real-time” data no more than 2 mos. old
- **OD Crisis Response**





# Overdose Response Team Initiatives

- **COMPLETED:**
  - ✓ Data Analysis Workgroup – ongoing surveillance, data enhancements
  - ✓ Implementing ODMAP to mobilize an immediate response to a sudden increase or spike in overdose events.
  - ✓ **Collaboration with ME to expedite access to data on suspected overdose death prior to forensic tox. data.**
- **IN PROGRESS:**
  - ✓ **Opioid/Drug Trend Dashboard**
  - ✓ Collecting real-time OD reports from hospital emergency departments
  - ✓ **Enhancement of Peer Follow Up Model and Rapid Response Team (in collaboration with Recovery Team)**
- **IN DISCUSSION:**
  - ✓ Testing drug paraphernalia
  - ✓ Overdose Fatality Review
  - ✓ Naloxone (Narcan) Expansion

# ODMAP & Drug Trend Updates

Lt. Sean Dougherty, Junior Laracuenta & Cory White, Mohawk Valley Crime Analysis Center (MVCAC)

## DATA HIGHLIGHTS:

Jan – June 2020

See Semi-Annual Report

NON-FATAL

180

OVERDOSES

FATAL

16

OVERDOSES

CONNECTED TO

35

TREAT/RECOVERY  
SERVICES

## DATA ENHANCEMENTS:

(as of July 2020)

### LOCATION TYPE\*



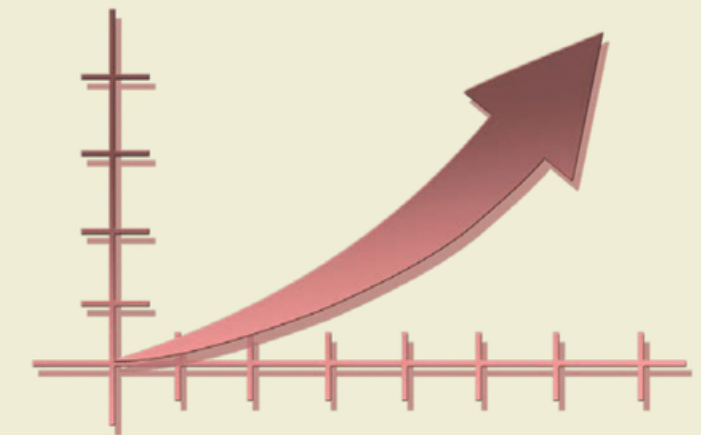
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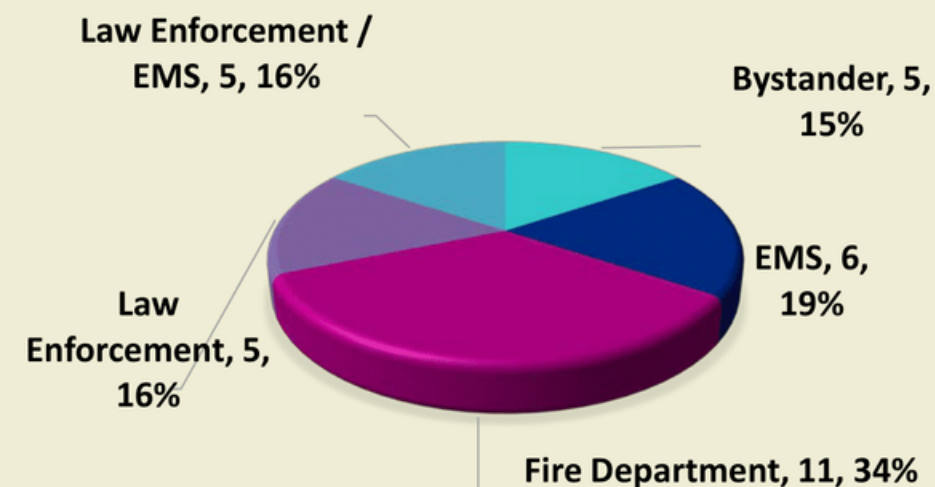
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## DRUG TREND UPDATES



### SOURCE OF NALOXONE ADMINISTRATIONS\*





# Data Enhancements

## Medical Examiner Probable OD Data

### “REAL-TIME” ACTIONABLE DATA

### DATA QUALITY IMPROVES

DAYS

MONTHS

#### LE Reports to ODMAP:

- Fatal and Non-fatal ODs
- On scene observations

#### Hospital ED Reports

- Fatal and No-fatal ODs
- Clinical Evaluation

#### Drug Intel Reports

- Community and/or agency drug trend intel

#### ME Forensic Investigator Probable OD Report:

- Fatal ODs
  - On scene observations
- Physical examination
- Follow up Interviews w/family, acquaintances

#### ME Toxicology Report:

- Fatal ODs
- Identify toxins

#### ME Death Certificates:

- Fatal ODs
- Confirmed Cause/Manner of Death

#### NYS Hospitalization Data

- Non-fatal ODs



# Data Enhancements

## Opioid Dashboard

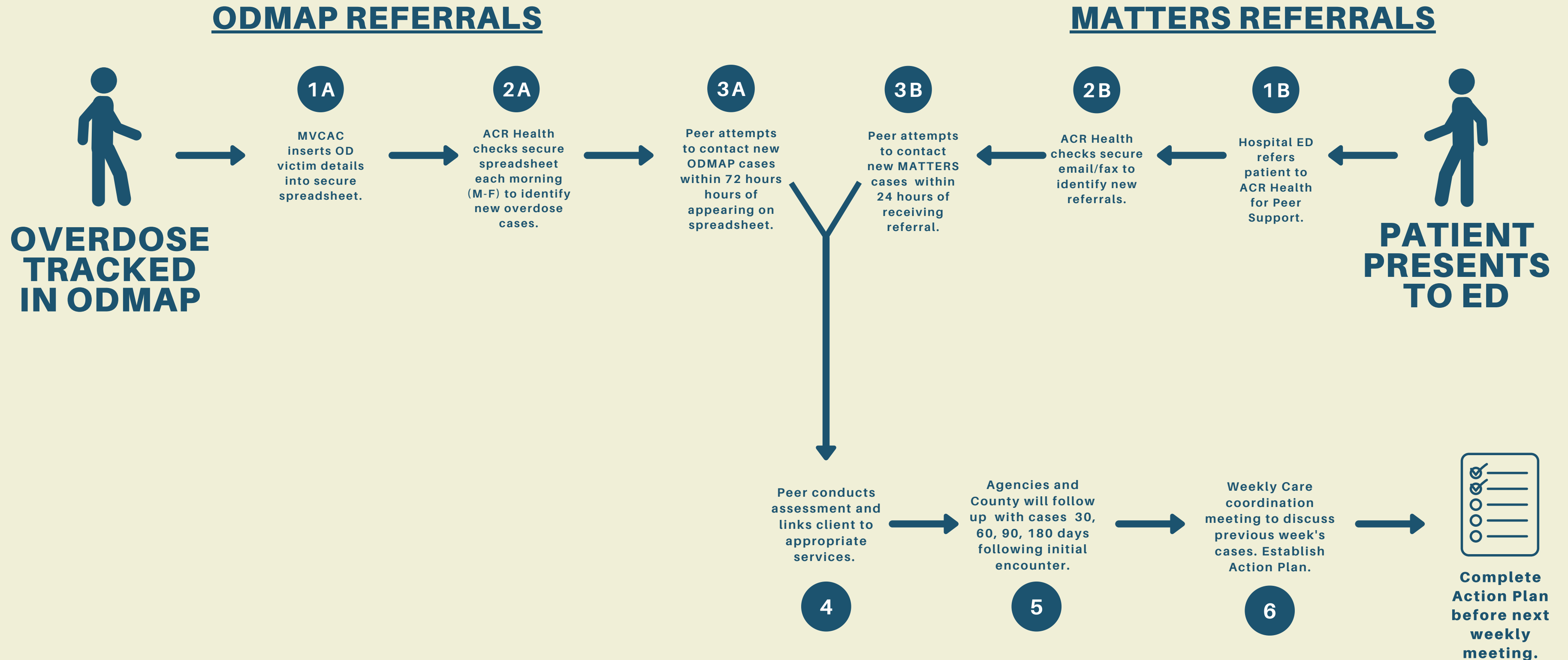
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**Rick Reichert**, *Sr. GIS Analyst, Oneida County Planning Dept.*

**Jenna Webb**, *GIS Technician II, Oneida County Planning Dept.*



# Enhanced Peer Follow-Up Process



# Treatment Enhancement Team Report: Objectives

- New York MATTERS & Network Expansion
- Buprenorphine Waiver Trainings & Provider Detailing
- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Expansion

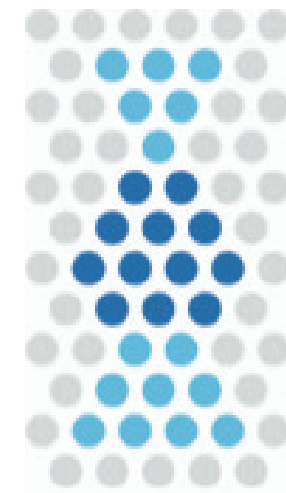


# New York MATTERS & Network Expansion

## Guests:

- **Dr. Joshua Lynch**, *DO, EMT-P, FAAEM, FACEP, New York MATTERS*
- **Caleigh Loughran**, *Program Coordinator, New York MATTERS (Buffalo Region)*
- **Lisa Skill**, *New York State Department of Health*
- **Matthew Fallico**, *New York State Department of Health*

Officially 'LIVE' in Oneida County!



**NEW YORK**  
**MATTERS**  
Medication Assisted Treatment & Emergency Referrals



ROME  
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
*An Affiliate of St. Joseph's Health*

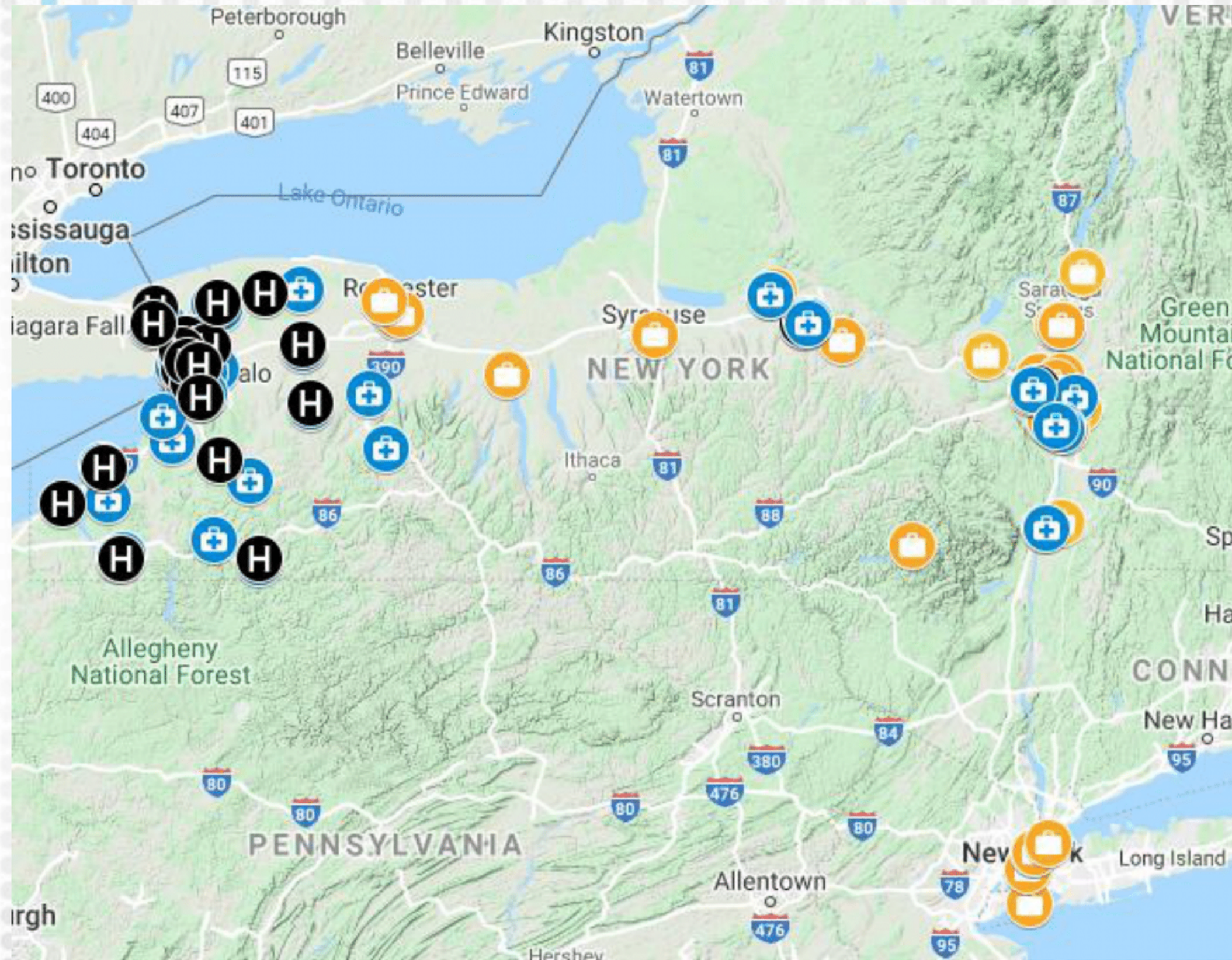


BEACON CENTER  
LIGHTING THE WAY

**Community  
Recovery  
Center (CRC)**

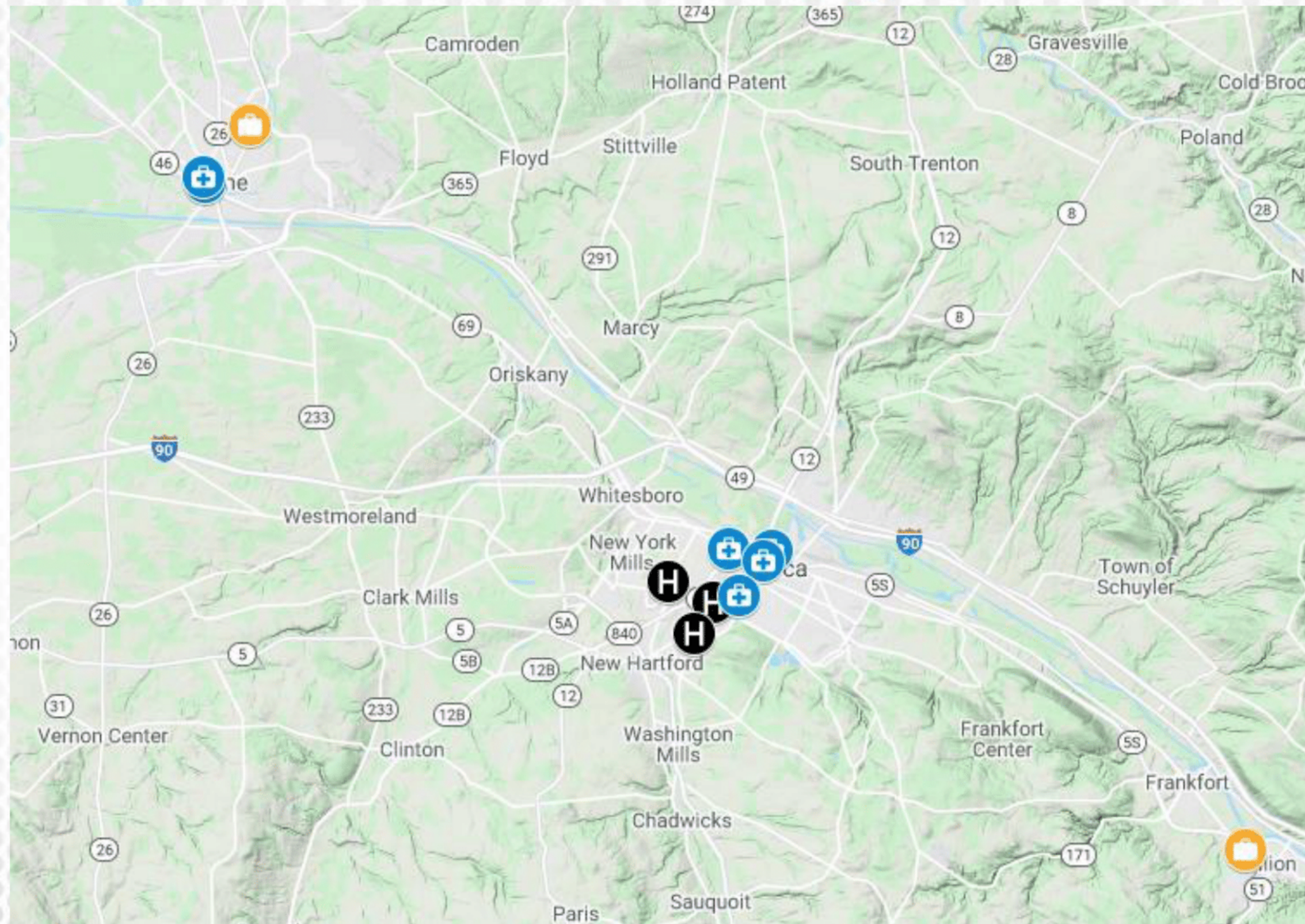


## EXPANSION ACROSS NEW YORK STATE





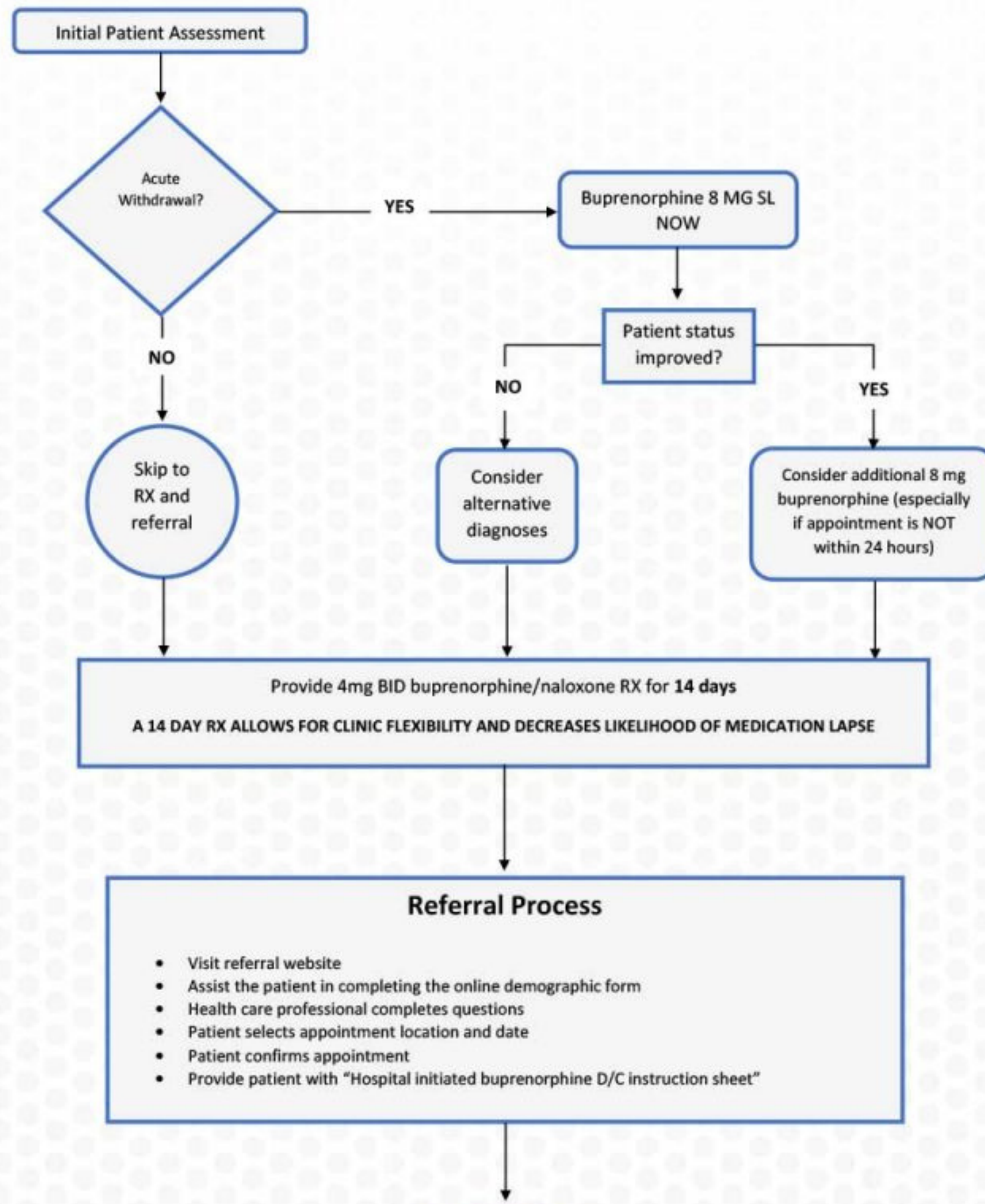
# ONEIDA REGION







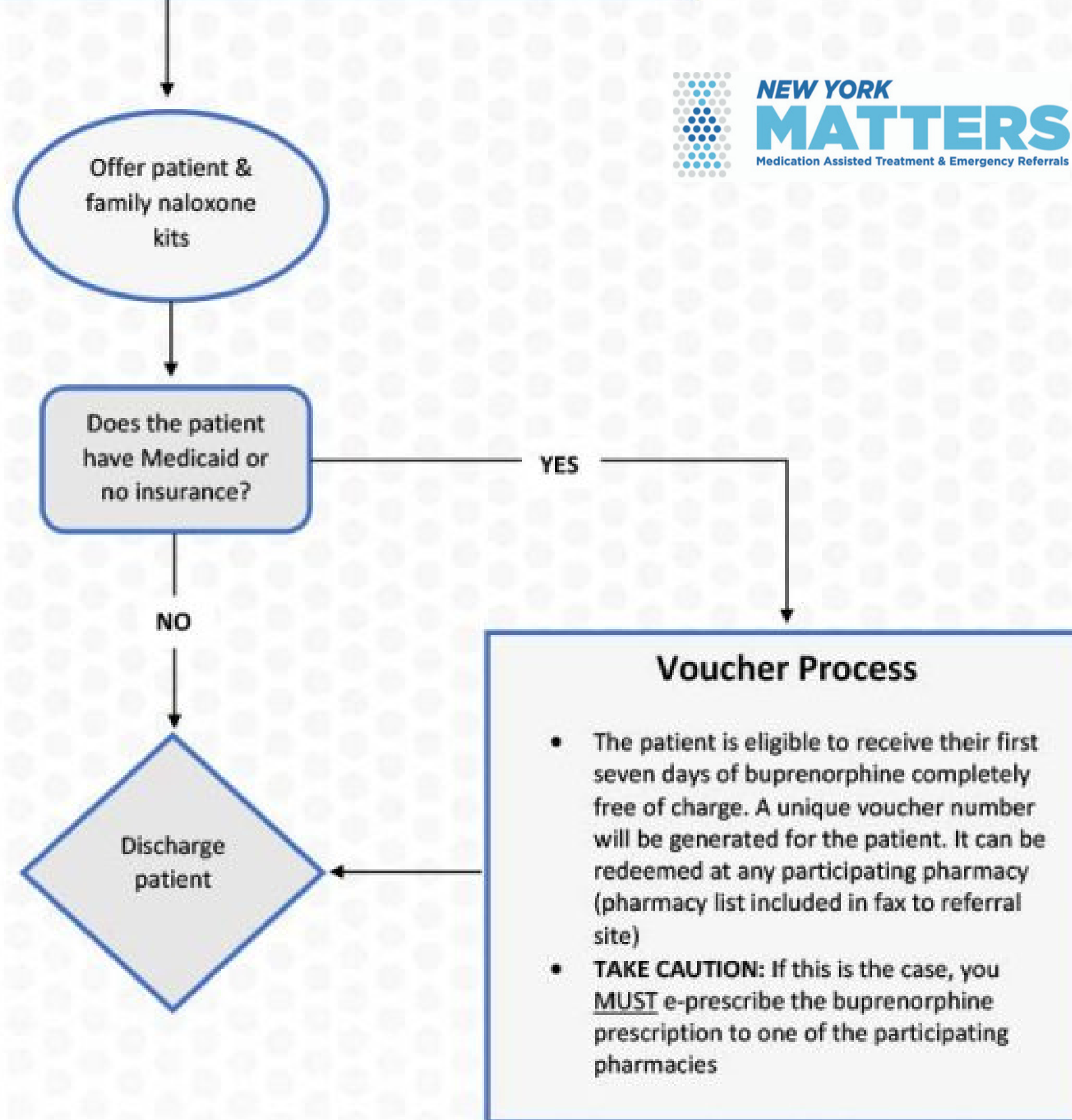






Vouchers accepted at:

*Walgreens*  
*Wegmans*







**[newyorkmatters.org](http://newyorkmatters.org)**

**Joshua Lynch, DO**  
Medical Director

**Caleigh Loughran**  
Program Coordinator

Questions?  
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# Hospital Partner Update

## Guests:

- **Dr. Avinash Kambhampati**, *DO, Assistant Medical Director,  
Mohawk Valley Health System*



# Recovery Team Report

## Co-Chairs:

- **Ambi Daniel**, *CASAC-T, Director of Family Support Navigation, Center for Family Life and Recovery (CFLR)*
- **Tom Reilly**, *Chapter President, Friends of Recovery - Oneida (FOR-O)*

# Recovery Team Objectives

## **Recovery Community Outreach Center (RCOC)**

- *Community Foundation Grant Application (Pending)*
- *Applications for other supportive programming grants started*
- *Team identified services to be included*
- *Team detailed advisory committee agency/professional/community targets*

## **Community Trainings on Addiction and Recovery**

- *Targets: general community, schools, professionals, recovery community*
- *Goal: Understanding Addiction and Recovery as an Individual Process*
- *(2) hour long trainings*
- *Outcomes: practice 4 tools to help create personal definitions of recovery, navigating case studies, utilizing Motivational Interviewing, and Trauma Informed Care.*

# Recovery Team Objectives

## Peer Training

- *Large Bank of options that include:*
  - *CRPA Certification*
    - *RCA*
    - *Ethics*
  - *De-escalation*
  - *Non-Crisis Peer Tools*
  - *Motivational Interviewing*
  - *Mandated Reporting*
  - *Supervision tools for both the supervisor and supervisee*
  - *Stages of Change*
  - *Navigating coaching in various stages of recovery*



# Recovery Community Outreach Center (RCOC)

*CF Grant Application Pending*

## Description

- The central mission of this Center is to provide individuals recovering from a substance use, mental health or behavioral disorders the skills to embrace a better quality of life through sustained recovery.
- The Center will be centrally located at the Salvation Army in Utica, NY, and services will be accessible during the day, evenings and weekends.



## 4 Pillars of Recovery

- Health
- Home
- Purpose
- Community

Programs and services offered will be linked to each of the Pillars of Recovery, and will promote long-term recovery through skill-building, recreation, wellness education, employment readiness, and social activities.

## Grant Details

- **Grant Submitted:** Early August
- **Expected Announcement of Awards:** Early October
- **Approx. Budget** \$300,000/yr.
- Sustainability plan in development.
- Roll in plan of stages in process



## Partner Commitments

- The Salvation Army of Utica
- Oneida County
- Helio Health
- Beautiful Dream Yoga
- Core Boxing
- Women's Empowerment Resource Center
- ACR Health
- And many more...

# Prevention Team Report

## Co-Chairs:

- **Jeannette Pavlus**, *LMSW, Master CASAC, Director of Alcohol, Substance Abuse and Dual Recovery, Oneida County Department of Mental Health (OCDMH)*
- **Jodi Warren**, *Director of Prevention Services, Center for Family Life and Recovery (CFLR)*

# Prevention Team Objectives

- Last Meeting: *August 26, 2020*
- **Demographic Focus**
  - Ages 0-5
  - K-12
  - Seniors
- **MedReturn Unit Education/Awareness**
- **Mental Health Resource Bags**
  - Boonville
  - Camden
  - Seniors





# Coordinator Updates

**Lisa Worden**, *Oneida County Health Department*

**Jared Henderson**, *Oneida County Department of Mental Health*

## Updates

- Partner Survey
- Interested in joining a team?
  - Contact Lisa or Jared.

# Partner Updates & Discussion

# Thank you!

If you have any questions about today's meeting or would like to learn more about the Oneida County Opioid Task Force, please contact:

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