

Public Health & Social Services Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: December 5, 2019 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: K.L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, C.O.B.
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Craig Lopez
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Nettie Tomshaw
PRESENT: Legislators Nolan, Collins, Brenda Maloney, Petit
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Mary Wawro, Marc Rider Deputy County Executive, Program Director Jeannette Corrow LMSW and Allison Curtis EDC Mental Health Association, Kara O'Donnell and Gay O'Donnell School Participation

Chair Lopez called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Motion No. 1: **Moved to Amend and Approve Minutes of the November 4, 2019 meeting**

Motion By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes APPROVED As Amended**

Legislator Nolan asked to strike wording regarding training under old business.

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- Ulster County Eating Disorder Coalition – Jeannette Corrow, LMSW Director of Wellness Services Mental Health Association In Ulster County

Chair Lopez called upon Ms. Corrow and Ms. Curtis who provided an overview of their program and annual progress. (see attached presentation)

Resolutions for the December 18, 2019 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 518: Calling Upon The Governor To Sign Legislation Regulating Toxic Chemicals In Children’s Products, Protecting Children’s Health

Resolution Summary: This memorializing resolution calls upon the Governor to sign legislation regulating toxic chemicals in children’s products to protect their health. Assembly Bill A6296A and Senate Bill 501B passed with bipartisan support in the 2019-2020 Legislative Session to amend the Environmental Conservation Law, in relation to the regulation of toxic chemicals in children’s products and prohibiting the sale of children’s products containing certain dangerous chemicals. No financial impact.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 518**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: Legislator Nolan summarized the overall legislation expressing full support for this resolution protecting children’s safety. The entire committee shared common support and passed the memorializing resolution as presented.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 534: Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Accept Laptops And Tablets From The New York State Association Of Counties And The New York State Department Of Health To Aid In The Battle Against The Opioid Epidemic – Department Of Health And Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizing the Ulster County Executive to accept up to (3) tablets and (2) laptops from NYSAC and the NYS DOH to aid in the battle against the opioid epidemic. The software included with the tablets will ease the burden of required Medical Examiner reports for programs such as the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles Fatal Accident Reporting System (“FARS”) and the NYSDOH National Violent Death Reporting System, and will assist with creating counts of specific types of deaths when requested No financial impact.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 534**
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan

Discussion:

Legislator Petit noted she would rather see funding on the front side – be proactive towards the opioid epidemic rather than when a situation becomes a crisis.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 550: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – HealthAlliance Hospital Broadway Campus – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contact with HealthAlliance Hospital for mental health state aid for crisis intervention services targeting adults, children and adolescents accessing the emergency department who have unmet needs for mental health, substance abuse, and or other community supports. Priority focus will be placed on those individuals who have had repeated visits to the ER and who fail to meet the criteria for inpatient hospitalizations. \$142.7K, 100% State, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 550**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: Legislator Maloney being employed with HealthAlliance abstained.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Abstention: 1 (B. Maloney)
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 551: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Family Services, Inc. for NYS Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS), with the Ulster Prevention Council (UPC) focused on preventing or delaying substance abuse in individuals, families and communities through education, environmental strategies, community capacity building, positive alternative and information dissemination. \$142.7K 100% State, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 551**

Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: Legislator Petit noted the contract also covers gambling.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 552: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Family of Woodstock, Inc. for NYS Office of Mental Health and Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) state aid for non-medicaid care coordination supporting individuals with serious mental illness and or children with serious emotional disturbance. Targeted population are individuals 18 years old and above who struggle with serious mental illness. \$1,104,781.00 75% State, 25% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 552**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:
Contract information was listed as a separate line item on tablet due to the size of document.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 553: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Access: Supports For Living Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Access: Supports For Living Inc. for NYS Office of Mental Health state aid for crisis intervention for mobile mental health services targeting adults, children and adolescents with behavioral health concerns in an effort to reduce unnecessary ER visits, psychiatric hospitalizations and readmissions. The program operates 365 days a year. \$712K, 100% State, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 553**

Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion:

Legislator Nolan noted the new SAMADHI (independent non-profit agency) program is using the mobile mental health services. Chair Lopez expressed the mobile mental health service helps reduce/ combat incoming emergency room levels, that at times aren't necessarily emergency issues. Legislator Nolan provided an overview of the work SAMADHI offers.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 554: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution executes a contract with Gateway Community Industries, Inc. and NYS Office of Mental Health and the Office for People with Developmental Disorders state aid for housing community services for individuals with serious mental illness, be 18 years of age or older and experience substantial impairments in functioning due to their SMI. \$2,525,365.00 96% State, 4% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 554**

Motion Made By: Legislator Petit

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: Marc Rider provided an overview of the contract.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Abstention: 1 (Nolan)

Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 555: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Mental Health Association In Ulster County, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Mental Health Association in Ulster County, Inc. for NYS Office of Mental Health 2020 State Aid for advocacy support services for individuals or family members with behavioral health concerns and individuals in Ulster County seeking to advocate for behavioral health issues on a local, state and national level. \$2,034,232.00 96% State, 4% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 555**
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 556: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – PEOPLE: Projects To Empower And Organize The Psychiatrically Labeled, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with PEOPLE: Projects To Empower And Organize The Psychiatrically Labeled, Inc. for NYS Office of Mental Health 2020 State Aid for peer advocacy and support services including individual or systems advocacy or a combination of both. Individual advocacy assists consumers in protecting and promoting their rights, resolving complaints and grievances, and accesses services and supports of their choice. Systems advocacy represents the concerns of a class of consumers by identifying patterns of problems and working with program or system administrators to resolve or eliminate those problems on a systemic basis. \$310.1K, 96% State, 4% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 556**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:
Legislator Nolan confirmed the county has worked with this agency previously. Legislator Petit noted 125 individuals per year receive support services, confirming overlapping services are awarded among vendors as clients tend to be in one program – geographic location, etc. Commission discussion ensued.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 557: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Astor Services For Children & Families – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution executes a contract with Astor Services For Children & Families NYS Office of Mental Health State Aid providing health home non-Medicaid care management for children and youth ages 0-21 with serious emotional disturbances and family peer support services. \$381.2K, 69% State, 31% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 557**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 558: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. with NYS Office of Mental Health and Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services state aid for community residential housing for adults 18 years or older with a diagnosis of alcohol/substance use disorder, adults who are homeless, and adults experiencing substantial impairment in functioning due to their SMI. \$727.8K, 100% State, contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 558**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:

Legislator Petit expressed this agency is still looking to put a 16-unit facility into a residential neighborhood in her district.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney
Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 1 (Petit)
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 559: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – NYSARC, Inc. D/B/A The Arc Of Ulster - Greene – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with NYSARC, Inc. D/B/A The Arc Of Ulster-Greene for NYS Office of Mental Health and Office for People with Developmental Disorders State Aid for certified work activity/sheltered workshop for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities and significant barriers to employment. \$287.7K, 59% State, 41% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 559**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: Marc Rider provided an overview of a sheltered workshop.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 560: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – HealthAlliance Hospital Broadway Campus – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with HealthAlliance Hospital Broadway Campus for out-patient public methadone maintenance treatment program services including urinalysis drug testing, dispensing of methadone, medical supervision and arranging for appropriate laboratory tests for the initial and annual physical examinations, preparation and monitoring of treatment plans, maintenance of patient medical histories, prescribing methadone dosage, counseling as prescribed in the patients' individual treatment plans, and maintenance of records. \$100K, 100% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 560**
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan

Discussion:

Committee discussion included the evolution of the program. Legislator Nolan shared her professional experience with expectant mothers and new born treatment in a controlled environment.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Abstention: (1) B. Maloney
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 561: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing The Aggregate Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Berkshire Farm Center And Services For Youth – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #2 with Berkshire Farm Center and Services for Youth crisis respite program for youth up to the age of 18, who are referred by the County’s Department of Mental Health. The program provided temporary relief to parents and caregivers with the goal of strengthening and improving family functioning and avoiding out-of-home placement or hospitalization. 100% County, Prior Amt. \$179.4K, Amd. Amt. \$44.9K, Total Amt. \$224.3K, Contract term 12/31/2019 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 561**
Motion Made By: Legislator Collins
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: Marc Rider provided an overview.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 565: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Ulster County Community College – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with UC Community College for outreach and education SUCCESS program for outreach, information and access to UCCC resources, and provide academic and career advising to youth who reside in Ulster County. The program serves up to 75 high school-aged youth whose annual family income is no more than two hundred percent of poverty level. \$75K, 51% Federal, 49% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 565**

Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: Marc Rider provided an overview of the SUNY Ulster program helping DSS clients receive skill training and education.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 570: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Berkshire Farm Center And Services For Youth – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Berkshire Farm Center And Services For Youth for non-secure detention services for juveniles who are awaiting family court adjudication or disposition, or who are runaways awaiting transportation. Facilities are located at the Middletown Non-secure Detention and Burnham Youth Safe Center each have a 12 bed co-ed group facility. \$130K, 36% Federal, 29% State, 35% County, Contract term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 570**
Motion Made By: Legislator Collins
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan

Discussion: Marc Rider provided an over of the contract.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 571: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Family Of Woodstock, Inc. for the Truancy Habits Reduced Increasing Valuable Education (THRIVE) truancy reduction program engaging youth who are at risk of truancy-related Persons In Need of Supervision (PINS) filing. Community resources collaboration including school officials, mental health and mentoring to incentivize participation in school and increase attendance for youth at risk. \$57.6K, 62% State, 38% County, Contract term 11/1/2019 – 9/30/2020.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 571**
Motion Made By: Legislator Collins
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Nolan, Collins, B. Maloney, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

New Business:

Marc Rider explained senior staff will attend the committee meetings starting in 2020.

Committee discussion surrounded Legislative appropriation requests to become better formatted/structured for the 2021 budget with follow up reports throughout the year.

Chair Lopez thanked members for their contributions made while serving on the committee, expressing collectively the committee served the public and the county well. Legislator Lopez said it was a pleasure being Chair of the Public Health and Social Services Committee.

Chair Lopez asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:22 PM

Respectfully submitted: Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff

Minutes Approved: February __, 2020

Ulster County Eating Disorder Coalition
Eating Disorder Outreach, Education, and Expense Report
Fall 2018 through Fall 2019

Weekly Support Groups:

Path to Recovery, Tuesdays 6:30pm - 8:00pm

This professionally led group is for individuals who identify as having an eating disorder and offers education and support on various types of treatment.

Mindful Eating Group, Mondays 6:30pm-8:00pm

This group incorporates DBT skills into coping with emotional eating or overeating. Participants may be seeking support for Binge Eating Disorder, may struggle with obesity, and/or may be considering bariatric surgery.

Eating Disorder Family Support Group, Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:00pm

This professionally led group is for friends and family members of persons with diagnosed eating disorders or persons engaging in disordered eating behaviors.

Facilitators are paid \$50 per hour; approximately \$11,700 per year is allocated as support group funds.

Conferences and Workshops:

November 30, 2018- *Eating Disorders: Focusing on Emotions*, 88 registered, full-day conference- total cost \$6,252.00

May 10, 2019- *Eating Disorders: A Community Approach*, 84 registered, half-day workshop- total cost \$2,274.00

December 6, 2019- *Underreported, Underrepresented: Eating Disorders in Males and the LGBTQ Community*, 83 registered, full-day conference

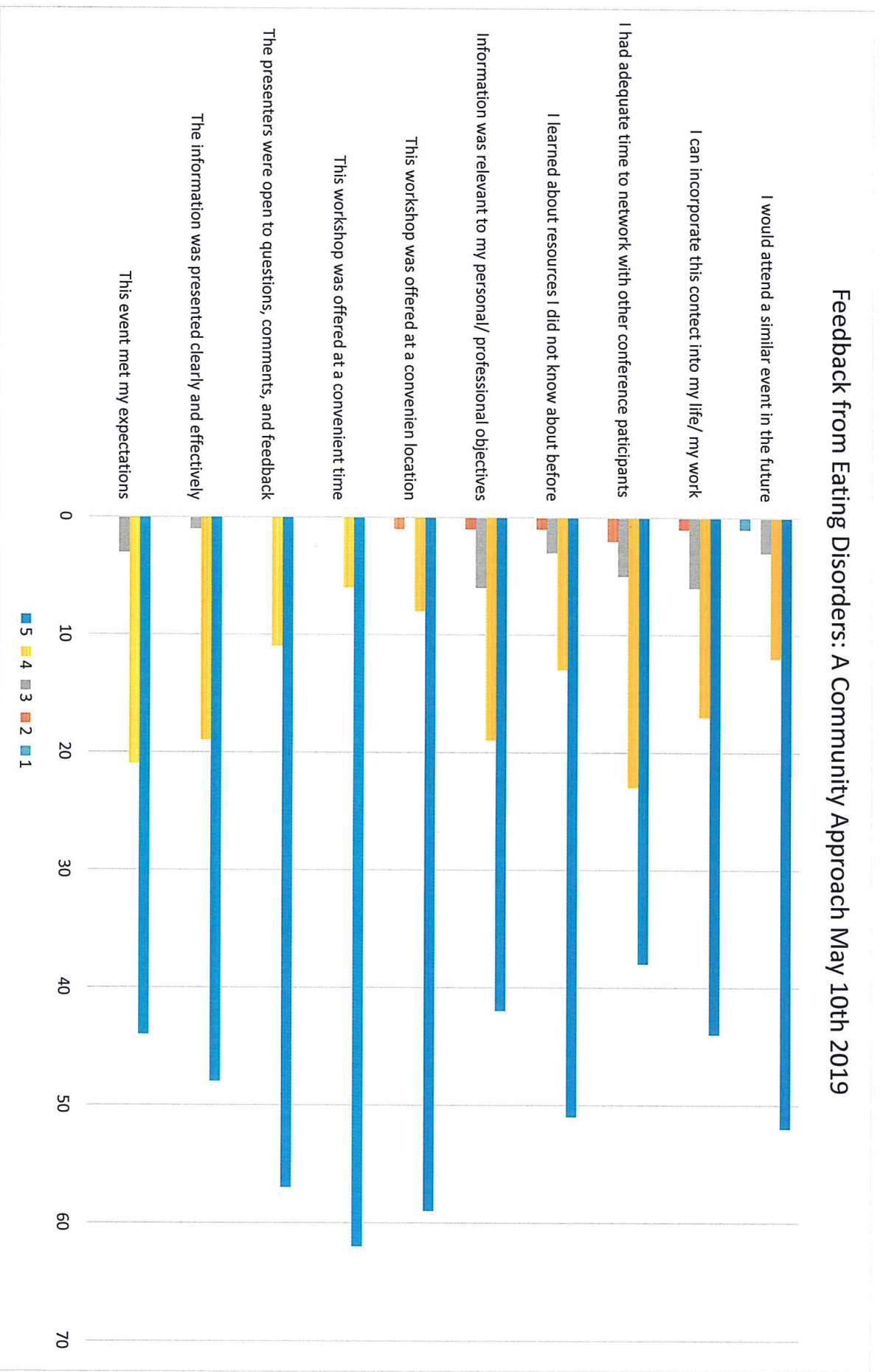
Social workers licensed in New York received 4 free continuing education units (CEUs) for attendance at the 2019 events.

Eating Disorder-Specific Outreach and Education

February 25th and March 1st - spoke with 65 students at SUNY New Paltz at a tabling event for Eating Disorder Awareness Week.

October 11th - presented about eating disorders and body image to 49 students at Kingston High School as a part of their mental health curriculum.

Feedback from Eating Disorders: A Community Approach May 10th 2019





EATING DISORDERS: A COMMUNITY APPROACH

Presented by The Mental Health Association in Ulster County, a **FREE** workshop for professionals interested in learning more about the treatment of eating disorders.

- Reexamine the basics of the signs and symptoms of various eating disorders.
- Discover the details of diagnosing, and how to involve the whole treatment team.
- Learn the difference between the treatment of children, adolescents, and adults.

Friday, May 10th 9:00 am- 1:00 pm

Registration begins at 8am

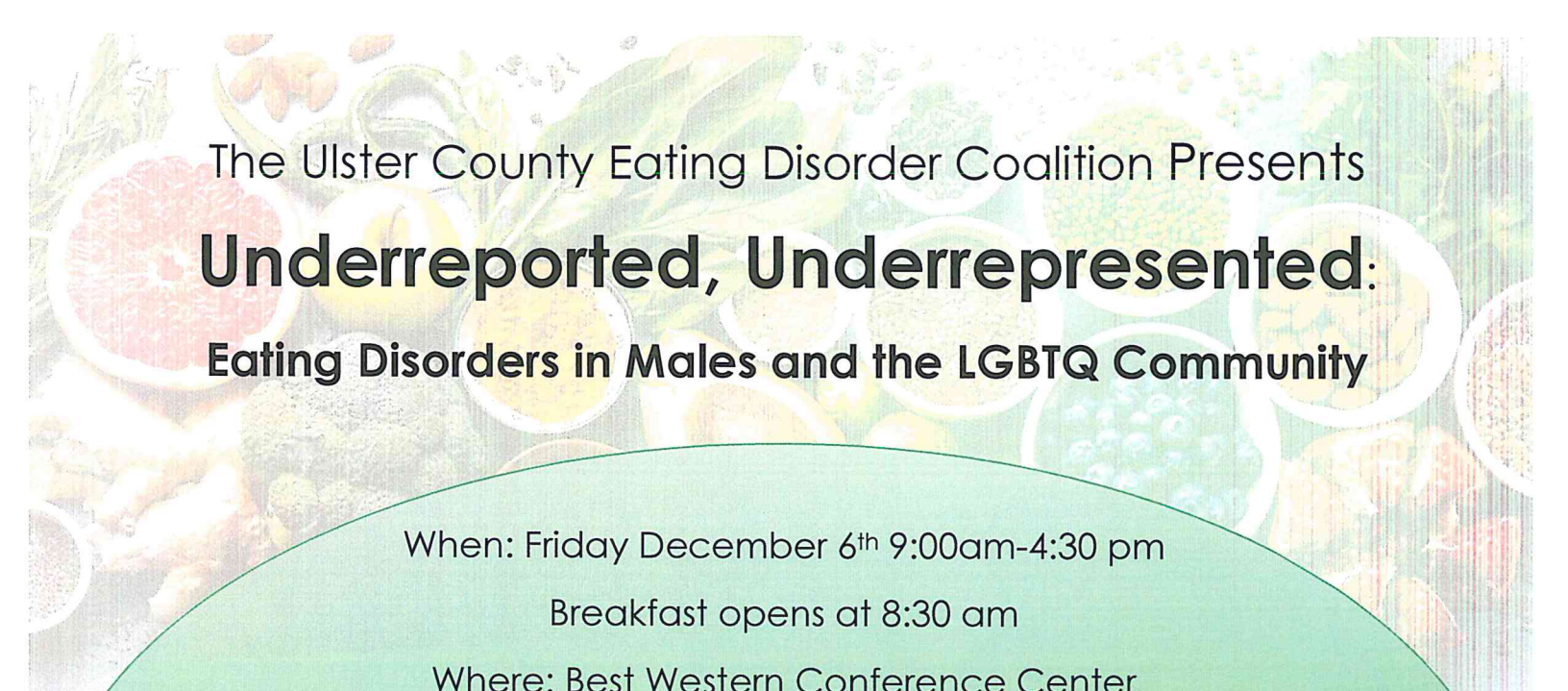
Breakfast provided at 8:30 am

Licensed social workers will receive 4 continuing education unit's

Best Western Conference Room

503 Washington Ave, Kingston, NY 12401

Call 845-339-9090 ext. 2202 or email zmahan@mhainulster.com to register



The Ulster County Eating Disorder Coalition Presents

Underreported, Underrepresented:

Eating Disorders in Males and the LGBTQ Community

When: Friday December 6th 9:00am-4:30 pm

Breakfast opens at 8:30 am

Where: Best Western Conference Center

Kingston NY, 12401

Call 845-339-9090 ext. 2207 to sign up!

Hear individuals share their personal journey with eating disorders

Compare and contrast the contributing factors for eating disorders in males vs. females

Learn how disproportionately affected the LGBTQ community is by eating disorders

Discover resources available to our community

This conference offers two tracks: a clinical track, and a non-clinical track

The clinical track will offer 4 FREE CEU's to social workers licensed in New York

The clinical track will include presentations on:

- Eating disorders in the LGBTQ community
- Eating disorders in males
- When to refer to a higher level of care

The non-clinical track's afternoon will include:

- A guided meditation
- A presentation on Eating disorders in males and the LGBTQ community
- Information on the prevention of eating disorders, and warning signs.

The Ulster County



The 2018 Eating Disorder Conference

Eating Disorders: *Focusing on Emotions*

A FREE Conference funded by the Ulster County Legislature

The Conference Agenda Includes

- Complimentary Continental Breakfast
- Welcome Address from Ulster County Legislature and the Ulster County EDC
- Keynote Speaker Nancy Graham, LCSW Professional Relations Representative at The Renfrew Center Of Northern New Jersey, presenting:
“Focusing on Emotions: Transdiagnostic Approach to Treating ED’s”
- Maggie Garin, RD, Registered Dietitian at The Renfrew Center of Northern New Jersey, presenting: *“Food & Feelings: The Emotional Experience Of The Meal”*
- Complimentary Lunch
- *Eating Disorders: The Family Perspective*
- Resource Sharing, Networking and More.

Friday, November 30th 2018

9:00am - 3:30pm

At The Best Western Plus

503 Washington Avenue in Kingston NY

SPACE IS LIMITED & REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

To Register Please Send Your Name, Phone Number & Email Address to
Andrea Chrisjohn at Achrisjohn@mhainulster.com or call (845) 339-9090

Accessible to all: Please Request for Reasonable Accommodations by November 22nd

www.EatingDisordersNY.com

