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Treme Health Fair features ADDICTIVE DISORDERS and the current application of services

News Summary

New Orleans, LA,
03.29.2014

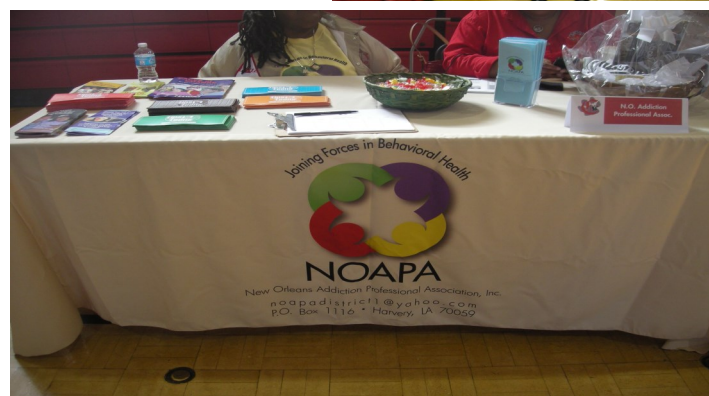
The New Orleans Addictive Disorders Professional Association represented the field in Addictions by supplying handouts and information on services provided under the health care continuum.

A booth was set up with an arrays of pamphlets and guides depicting Prevention, Counseling and Treatment for Youth, Young Adults and Families to deflect the many ills Addiction causes in today's current climate.

Many parents as well as teens stopped at the table to inquire of Addictive Disorder services.

A gift basket put together by Ora Kelley was raffled at the close of the Health Fair

M. Anthony Aubry



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

Harvey, LA

12.14.2013

Jimmy Chase, LAC

HIV and Mental Health: The challenges of Dual Diagnosis was presented outlining "a solid working knowledge of mental health and substance abuse issues is essential for understanding how to help people protect themselves from HIV infection, helping those already infected and to reduce adverse health consequences among those living with HIV." He summarized in order to effectively prevent the transmission of HIV, front line prevention providers must learn to effectively identify by situation and refer clients with mental health and substance use disorders for treatment.

01.25.2014

Evelyn B. Harrell, PhD.

The Role of Spirituality in the Recovery and Treatment process defined Spirituality within the context of recovery and treatment, explored historical spirituality links, applying spirituality in a cultural context and identifying opportunities for integration of spiritual dimensions in the recovery and treatment process. An open discussion on spirituality issues to clarify application concerns summed up the presentation.

02.22.2014

Dianne Pizzolatto, LMSW

Women and Addiction identified core issues of why women go into treatment, trends in

drug of choice of women, why consequences are so much worse for women and strategies that work for women. Dianne summed up her presentation with an open interactive discussion involving trauma informed services, supportive therapies with approaches based on awareness, understanding and trust that help women achieve and maintain sobriety.

Anyone interested in presenting Educational Development material at the monthly meeting, please contact the Educational provider by email at

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**“Objectives,
proposals
and
Procedures
for direction
are
welcome..”**

“It is the mission of NoAPA to provide quality services to meet the educational need of all Addiction Professionals through networking and public awareness, motivational speakers, discussion groups, continuing education, and leadership in education without limitations.”

Benefits of the Addiction Professional Association - 2013-2014



New Orleans Addiction Professionals Association

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MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the New Orleans Addiction Professional Association Inc. to provide addiction treatment and prevention services to the community and meet the educational needs of all addiction professionals through networking and public awareness, discussion groups, continuing education, and through collaboration with community based organizations to meet the addiction treatment needs of the community.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Professional Support
Educational Training Monthly
Occupational Opportunities
Professional and Student Development
Professional Networking
Updates on the Substance Abuse Movement at the State and International Level
Counselor advocacy supporting the advancement of Substance Abuse Counseling, Prevention, and Compulsive Gambling Counseling

VISION

Our vision is to provide quality continuing education to addiction professionals and rendering addiction treatment and prevention services to the community.

Community News



Please keep in prayer the family of Lucy Bates and Russell Mills.

Lucy Bates passed in November 2014. She was a dedicated Addictive Disorders Counselor who demonstrated her skills by educating younger counselors how to adapt to the changes in the profession over time.

Russell Mills was an Addictive Disorders student at Southern University at New Orleans. He was the brother of Professor Cheryl Mills, an instructor in the SUNO Social Work Program. He passed in January 2014.

The losses come with great sorrow - two friends and colleagues who passed so unexpectedly will be missed.

**“Humility is
not
thinking
less of
yourself, It
is thinking
of yourself
less.”
AA Slogan**

Community News Treatment and Education Work

March 6, 2014

by Shannon Brys

Addiction treatment outcomes don't get taken seriously – not by the public, not by other medical professions, and certainly not by insurers. Tom McLellan, chief executive officer of Treatment Research Institute, said as far as substance abuse is concerned, “we got it wrong for about 40 years.”

Addiction is typically looked at as “a criminal justice issue” and “a bad habit” while substance use is considered the product of poor morality, bad parenting, poor self-control, etc., explained McLellan, who spoke at the Rosalynn Carter Symposium on Mental Health Policy.

He explained that the treatment process in the addiction field is much like a washing machine in that the sub-

stance abuser gets placed into treatment for 30 days or 12 sessions and then after that, there is an expectation that the patient will have learned his lesson, that he will “get it.” At this point, there is a graduation ceremony.

As mental health and substance abuse services integrate into the rest of healthcare McLellan implored the field to utilize the right model and set sensible measures.

“Evaluation has always occurred as you might evaluate the results of a cast for a broken leg,” he said. “It's always occurred following the completion of care – six months or a year later.” Another thing about evaluation for the field is that it has

never been a clinical activity as it is not reimbursed or considered.

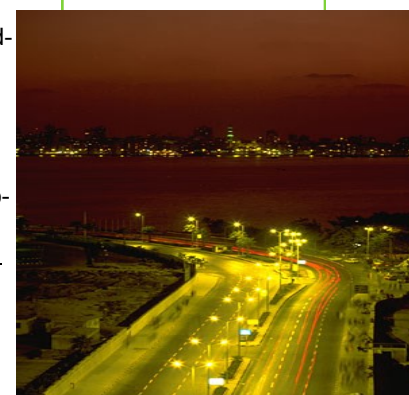
“[Integration] is not a gift to the mental health and substance abuse field. We're not being given something just because it's fair, just because it's our time, or just because there's a Democratic administration. You can't run the rest of healthcare if you don't manage substance use and mental health.”

Behavioral Healthcare Magazine

If any further information is needed, or you would like to place a storyline please feel free to contact

The New Orleans Addiction Professional Association News at noapadistrict1@yahoo.com

**“Treatment
Works”**



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Florida Parishes

Livingston, St. Tammany Tangipahoa & Washington

River Parishes

St. John, St. Charles & St. James

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Upcoming Events

LASACT 2014 New Orleans

• August 3—August 6, 2014 •

Crowne Plaza Hotel
739 Canal St at Bourbon
New Orleans, LA 70130
(504) 962-0500

“Behavioral Health and Trauma”

New Orleans Addiction Professional Association, Inc. is the member host for the event. Check the LASACT website for definitive information for Sponsorship and Advertising or contact the

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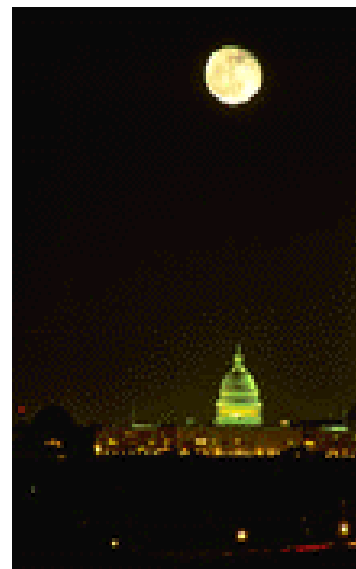
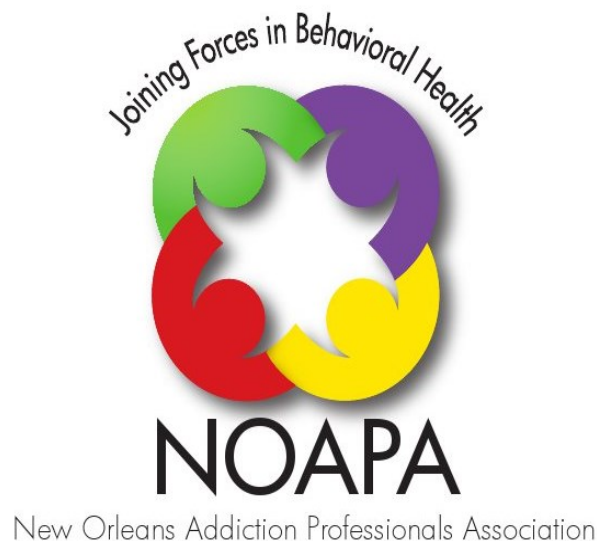
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