



## NMORC March Newsletter 3/28/2024

*Updates and reminders regarding NMORC efforts to support and promote Substance and Opioid Use Disorder events, resources and information. Links provided will connect you to associated pages with more information, such as registration pages, full FOAs, or complete documents.*

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### ***General Announcements***

## **County Jail Implementation or Expansion of MOUD Technical Assistance Offered in Michigan**

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) announce in February they had awarded a three-year contract to Health Management Associates (HMA) to serve as project administrator to provide technical assistance for up to 24

county jails seeking to implement or expand medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD) programs. Participating counties will receive grants up to \$25,000 to cover associated costs.

This project is funded through opioid settlement dollars and is designed to address significant overdose risks in incarcerated populations during and following incarceration by increasing access to MOUD programs. Since 2019, HMA has provided training and technical assistance to both jail and prison systems to support implementation of MOUD programs in more than 70 jails and four departments of corrections in 17 states, including here with the Michigan Department of Corrections.

To be eligible for participation, county jails must provide at least two of the three U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved medications for opioid use disorder and participate in the technical assistance learning collaborative. HMA is currently recruiting county jails to participate in the jail MOUD learning collaborative. Counties interested should contact: MI\_JailMOUD\_LC@healthmanagement.com.

## MCRH Workforce Webinar: Augmenting Your Workforce with Foreign Health Care Providers

MCRH invites you to a Zoom Webinar on April 1 at Noon that will address the immigration process from a health care organizational perspective. Michael E. Wooley, Partner, Immigration Attorney with Varnum LLP will be the speaker for the hourlong presentation. Mr. Wooley will present the process to legally employ foreign physicians, dentists, therapists and allied health care providers in rural Michigan. Register through this [link](#): **Passcode: MCRH**

### **Social Worker Grand Round: Clinical Assessments for Addiction Treatment - Second in Series on April 9**

Make sure to register for the upcoming Social Work: Behavioral Health Series Grand Rounds offered through Michigan Center for Rural Health (MCRH). The session will take place on April 9 from Noon - 1 PM via Zoom, this six-segment series is designed to explore ASAM Criteria specific to addiction treatment and continuum of care.

The focus of this second offering in the series will be "Determining Medical Necessity for Addiction Treatment." This course is led by NMORC's Project Assistant Gennie Groover, LLMSW, and provides Continuing Education of 1.0 contact hour for Social Workers and Addiction Professionals. The first session held in January was very well attended and reviews were outstanding! Though you may have missed it, you are still able and welcome to attend any of the remaining sessions.

For more detailed information you can follow this [LINK](#) or assess the registration information through this [flyer](#).

## Documentation, Coding and Billing

# Bootcamp Offered!

## One Day Event - May 22, 2024 - Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort

Register NOW to attend this training specifically designed for coders, billers, EHR professionals, clinical personnel (MD, DO, NP, PA, RN) as well as facility and financial managers who work in Michigan Rural Health Clinics (RHC), Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and lookalikes.

This no-cost training will be provided by the Michigan Center for Rural Health through an RCORP funding grant through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Educational content will be provided by Arch Pro Coding, a leader in coding and billing education for Rural based RHC, FQHC and Critical Access Hospitals.

The session will be held from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM with a one-hour lunch break (on your own). 11 CEUs and CME credits are offered for this training. Space is limited so be sure to sign up as soon as possible by following this [LINK!](#)



## 27th Annual Michigan Rural Health Conference Registration Open NOW!

Great speakers and dynamic content top the bill for the 27th Annual Michigan Rural Health Conference! You won't want to miss this annual event that also provides networking opportunities for Michigan rural health professional.

This year the theme, "The Ripple Effect: Ideas Into Action" will showcase state and federal resources and connections that will help spark innovation in each of our own organizations.

Taking place at Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort, the conference two-day conference will open on April 25, 2024. You can read all about the learning objectives, jam-packed agenda and how to register by following this [LINK](#). Hope to see you there!

## ***General Education, Training and Resources***

**Superior Health Quality Alliance** offers the following resources:

- **Anti-Stigma Campaign:** links to stories of lived experiences, education on person-first language, individual and organizational pledge, links to a podcast [LINK](#)



- **Fentanyl test strip informational poster and accompanying business sized cards with info on accessing test strips:** [Poster or Business Cards](#)
- **Naloxone toolkit for nursing homes:** [Document](#)

**SAMHSA's resource [Engaging Community Coalitions To Decrease Opioid Overdose Deaths Practice Guide 2023](#).** Comprehensive tool in revisiting the work of the consortium.

**Never Use Alone Hotline :** National Overdose Prevention Lifeline is available at 1-800-696-1996 (English). Website: [Never Use Alone Inc.](#)

**Updated Hepatitis C Testing Guidelines:** The CDC updated their Hepatitis C testing guidelines to include infants and children who have been exposed perinatally. [Updated guidelines](#)

**Recovery Ready Workplace Resources:** The White House released a Recovery-Ready Workplace [Toolkit](#) for businesses and a [State Model Law](#) for state governments as part of their efforts to help strengthen the economy and support the more than 44 million American adults who have an SUD.

**Veteran Safety Plan App:** The VA's National Center for PTSD has just announced the release of the Safety Plan app! Safety Plan helps Veterans create a personalized step-by-step action plan to keep themselves safe during a crisis. It is highly customizable and provides access to coping tools, self-assessment measures, and crisis support resources. The Safety Plan app was developed by the National Center for PTSD Mobile Mental Health program with input from the VA Suicide Prevention Program. The app can be recommended to any Veteran who is at-risk for suicide. The goal of this app is provide Veterans with options to access their Safety Plan in a format that works for them. Select [this link](#) to learn more. Point your device's camera at the QR code to download Safety Plan!

**NMSAS Recovery Center:** NMSAS Recovery Center provides a great line up of training opportunities as well as ongoing coach check-in and virtual recovery group opportunities. See the You Pick Recovery [Website](#) to find support for your journey in recovery as well as resources for becoming a coach and helping others. They also recently released a list of northern Michigan resources, click [here!](#)

**Opioid Settlement Updates:** The Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) provides updates on opioid settlement dollars disbursement to counties on a monthly basis. For the latest news and resource updates on opioid settlements you can also follow these links:

- [Opioid Settlement Resource Center - The Michigan Association of Counties \(micounties.org\)](#)
- [Opioid Settlement Overview Table](#)

MAC's Amy Dolinky is also available to consult with counties as they plan out their opioid responses. She can be reached at [dolinky@micounties.org](mailto:dolinky@micounties.org).

**Michigan Center for Rural Health** offers a robust docket of educational opportunities for many different professions through Grand Rounds, Project ECHO and EMS Continuing Education. For more information or to see what's on tap, follow [this link](#).

**Saginaw Valley State University Project ECHO** is a program with a focus on Substance Use Disorders (SUD) including treatment, recovery, intervention and prevention. This learning opportunity is designed for any healthcare provider, mental health or substance use disorder professional, social worker, peer recovery specialist, administrator, or student with interest in the program topics.

Project ECHO for Substance Use Disorders (SUD ECHO) is offered along with our partners Recovery Pathways, Bay-Arenac Behavioral Health Authority, Ferris State University and Peer360 Recovery Alliance and provides the latest information and case-based learning in substance use disorder prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery.

To access the flyer with more details on this training, click here: [SUD Project ECHO](#) or an additional link to this program can be found further down in the General Education section of this brief.

**Saginaw Valley State University Project ECHO** for Perinatal Substance Use Disorder (PSUD ECHO), in partnership with Recovery Pathways, LLC, Ferris State University and Peer 360 Recovery Alliance, this effort provides educational information and practice support for healthcare professionals treating those who are pregnant with co-occurring substance use disorder. [Click Here to Register for PSUD ECHO.](#)

**CATCH My Breath** is a peer-reviewed, evidence-based youth vaping prevention program developed by The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth) School of Public Health. The program provides up-to-date information to teachers, parents, and health professionals to equip students with the knowledge and skills they need to make informed decisions about the use of e-cigarettes, including JUUL and disposable devices. CATCH My Breath utilizes a peer-led teaching approach and meets National and State Health Education Standards. For more information [Click Here.](#)

**Overdose Prevention Engagement Network** recently merged with the Michigan Opioid Collaborative and Melissa DeMarse, LPC, CAADC is their Behavioral Health Consultant. Check out these great resources and events! :

- **Free Upcoming Events**
- **Free On-Demand Trainings (meets the new DEA SUD training requirements)**
- **Our Many Resources**
- **Patient Consultations**

*We hope you find all of the SUD information you need and look forward to seeing you attend our events and educational webinars!*

## ***Recovery and Other Resources***

### **Young Adults All Recovery Meeting**

Thursdays from 7:00pm-8:00pm - Virtual

Open to young adults (18-30) in Recovery and loved ones regardless of Recovery Pathway!

*Zoom Meeting ID: 353 536 5087  
Password: Rule 62*

For more information, please contact:  
[BenzieCountyRecovery@gmail.com](mailto:BenzieCountyRecovery@gmail.com)

### **Virtually Inspired Recovery Series**

Join every Tuesday and Thursday from 12pm-1pm for Recovery Hour. An open discussion on topics related to Recovery. All are Welcome.

*[Click Here for Zoom Information](#)*

## ***Prevention Resources***

### **FREE Naloxone Resources**

#### **Ordering Bulk Quantities of Naloxone**

Eligible organizations can receive free Naloxone by filling out a PDF form and

emailing it to MDHHS to request supplies be mailed to your location. Simply fill out this form: [Naloxone Request Form](#). Once that is done make a pdf of that document, there is a submit button at the top of the page that hasn't ever worked for me, but it also lists an email address to send the completed document. Use the email address listed at the top of the document, you'll thank me later! Here's that email address: MDHHS-NalxneRqst@michigan.gov.

**Naloxone for All**

Online/By Mail

[nextdistro.org/michigan](http://nextdistro.org/michigan)

**Families Against Narcotics (FAN)**

Online/By Mail

[FamiliesAgainstNarcotics.org/naloxone](http://FamiliesAgainstNarcotics.org/naloxone)

**Harm Reduction Michigan**

Text or call: 231.493.5124 or by Mail or Personal Delivery at

[facebook.com/HarmReductionMI](https://facebook.com/HarmReductionMI)



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