

Buffalo Opioid Intervention Court



Hon. Craig D. Hannah, Buffalo City Court



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Buffalo's Opioid Court Hopes To Show New Path In A...



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2:15



Drug Courts faced with the new opioid overdose epidemic must be capable of more rapid linkage to treatment (immediate rather than two weeks) and must fully integrate behavioral and medical treatment necessary for initiating and sustaining recovery.

Overall Project Strategy

Establish a new court calendar that will specialize in offenders at high risk for opioid overdoses using newly developed policies and procedures with enhanced partnerships to ensure that MAT is actively* coupled with counseling and supports.

** Not just passively allowing MAT*

Anticipated Outcomes

- Reduced opioid overdose rates (incidents and death) among Drug Court participants
- Reduced participant recidivism
- Increased program completion rates
- Increased functional outcomes (abstinence, employment, housing status, social stability, etc.)

Rapid Integration Approach

Designed to be highly individualized to overcome barriers or disparities in access to recovery service and opportunities

Rapid Integration Team

- Based on the evidence-based practice of Critical Time Intervention (CTI)* case management
- Three member team includes Team Leader, Rapid Integration Specialist, and Integration Monitor
- Provides immediate response for linkage and monitoring of new drug court participants determined to be at high risk for opioid overdose.

OPIOID INTERVENTION COURT (OIC)

The first of its kind in the Nation and is dedicated to treating the needs of the people first who come into contact with the law.

“Just because someone stumbles and loses their way, doesn’t mean that they are lost forever”.

GOAL

Saving Lives!! Nothing more, nothing less



Judge Craig D. Hannah, center, at the Opiate Crisis Intervention Court in Buffalo, N.Y.
Philip Montgomery for The New York Times

How Do We Measure Our Goal?

How do we measure same:

525,600 minutes, 525,600 moments so dear

How Do We measure a Year



[Quoting RENT]

Jonathan David Larson

**“In daylights, in sunsets, in midnights, in cups of coffee
In Weddings, in Movies, in laughter and strife . . .
[that’s how we measure a life]**

Purpose: Our Primary Purpose is to help people, or at the very least not hurt them.

- we want them to walk out of the courtroom better than when they came in
- deal with people at their lowest point
- it is our duty: (is to look after) the last, the lost, the least and the overlooked . . .
- Just b/c someone stumbles and loses their way, doesn't mean that they are lost forever.



Treat the “Whole Person”

Link with . . .

- Medication Assisted Treatment
- Behavioral Treatment (Counseling)
- Self Help
- Ancillary Services

Intervention Process

- Divert Participants at Arraignment
- Place in Treatment w/in 24 hrs.
- Hold Criminal Charges
- “Play by Vegas Rules”

- Link with Ancillary Services
- 8 pm Curfew
- Random Drug Testing
- Random “Wellness Checks”
- Daily Staffing

- Daily Face-to-Face Contact
- Case Conferencing During Treatment (Control Dates)
- Peer Advocates

Polling Question No.1

Q: Where does a shot of Dope lie?

-- **Scale 1 to 10** (10 most pleasurable/euphoric experience in your life)

examples: College graduation **5**; Wedding Day **8**; Birth of Child **10**

Divert the “Participants” Right at Arraignment

1st Contact with Court, Set the Tone (the way you start with a person is the way they will always be with you)

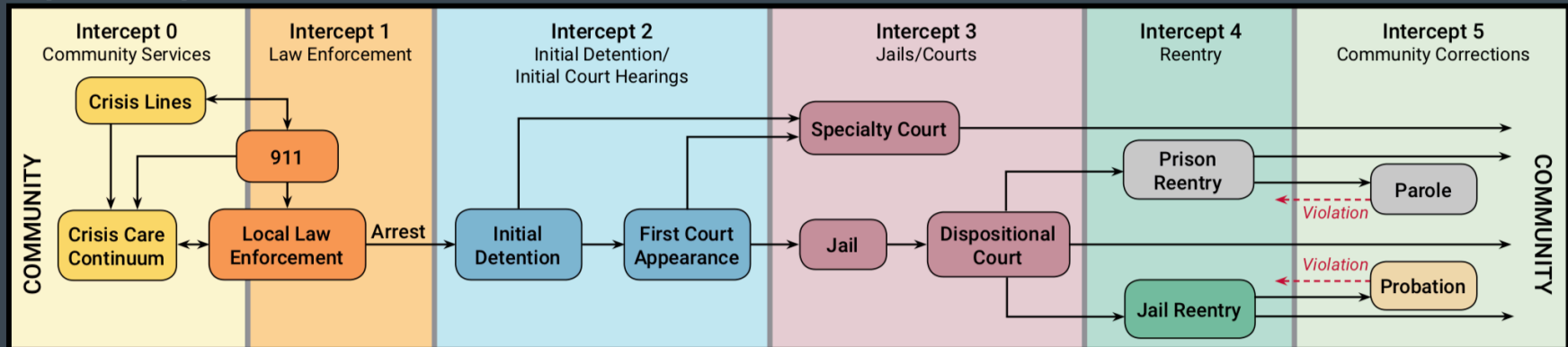
(Intervention) **At Critical Stage.** – People are ready for change b/c they don't want to be in Jail. (**Intercept 2***)

Avoid Participant “Hitting Rock”. – Raise the level where Client is ready/amenable to treatment. Help Reach their “BREAK THROUGH POINT” w/in hitting rock bottom

* The Sequential Intercept Model

Advancing Community-Based Solutions for Justice-Involved People with Mental and Substance Use Disorders

The Sequential Intercept Model



Key Issues at Each Intercept

Intercept 0

Mobile crisis outreach teams and co-responders. Behavioral health practitioners who can respond to people experiencing a behavioral health crisis or co-respond to a police encounter.

Emergency Department diversion. Emergency Department (ED) diversion can consist of a triage service, embedded mobile crisis, or a peer specialist who provides support to people in crisis.

Police-friendly crisis services. Police officers can bring people in crisis to locations other than jail or the ED, such as stabilization units, walk-in services, or respite.

Intercept 1

Dispatcher training. Dispatchers can identify behavioral health crisis situations and pass that information along so that Crisis Intervention Team officers can respond to the call.

Specialized police responses. Police officers can learn how to interact with individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis and build partnerships between law enforcement and the community.

Intervening with super-utilizers and providing follow-up after the crisis. Police officers, crisis services, and hospitals can reduce super-utilizers of 911 and ED services through specialized responses.

Intercept 2

Screening for mental and substance use disorders. Brief screens can be administered universally by non-clinical staff at jail booking, police holding cells, court lock ups, and prior to the first court appearance.

Data matching initiatives between the jail and community-based behavioral health providers.

Pretrial supervision and diversion services to reduce episodes of incarceration. Risk-based pre-trial services can reduce incarceration of defendants with low risk of criminal behavior or failure to appear in court.

Intercept 3

Treatment courts for high-risk/high-need individuals. Treatment courts or specialized dockets can be developed, examples of which include adult drug courts, mental health courts, and veterans treatment courts.

Jail-based programming and health care services. Jail health care providers are constitutionally required to provide behavioral health and medical services to detainees needing treatment.

Collaboration with the Veterans Justice Outreach specialist from the Veterans Health Administration.

Intercept 4

Transition planning by the jail or in-reach providers. Transition planning improves reentry outcomes by organizing services around an individual's needs in advance of release.

Medication and prescription access upon release from jail or prison. Inmates should be provided with a minimum of 30 days medication at release and have prescriptions in hand upon release.

Warm hand-offs from corrections to providers increases engagement in services. Case managers that pick an individual up and transport them directly to services will increase positive outcomes.

Intercept 5

Specialized community supervision caseloads of people with mental disorders.

Medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders. Medication-assisted treatment approaches can reduce relapse episodes and overdoses among individuals returning from detention.

Access to recovery supports, benefits, housing, and competitive employment. Housing and employment are as important to justice-involved individuals as access to behavioral health services. Removing criminal justice-specific barriers to access is critical.

INTERCEPT 0

Expanding the Sequential Intercept Model to prevent criminal justice involvement



Crisis Response

Crisis response models provide short-term help to individuals who are experiencing behavioral health crisis and can divert individuals from the criminal justice system. Crisis response models include:

- Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics
- Crisis Care Teams
- Crisis Response Centers
- Mobile Crisis Teams



Police Strategies

Proactive police response with disadvantaged and vulnerable populations are a unique method of diverting individuals from the criminal justice system. Proactive police response models include:

- Crisis Intervention Teams
- Homeless Outreach Teams
- Serial Inebriate Programs
- Systemwide Mental Assessment Response Team



Tips for Success



Strong support from local officials



Community partnerships



Law enforcement training



Behavioral health staff training

Place in Treatment w/in Hours (usually w/in 24 hrs)

Can link with M.A.T. right in the courtroom

Methadone: (Can see a Dr. within hrs. of arrest/no more 6 week wait) Picked up from courtroom and driven to Dr.

Suboxone: (Can be picked up from the courtroom by treatment staff and taken to Dr. hrs. after the arrest).

Vivitrol: Can see a Dr. with 2-3 days of immediate linkage of outpatient Behavioral Treatment

Placement (cont.)

If participant chooses an ***abstinence based*** treatment protocol (Def's choice): link immediately with Behavioral Treatment within hours

Outpatient services; coupled with daily reporting (eyes on Def every weekday)

Inpatient: if outpatient is not recommended by his/her treatment provider (1-2 day turn-around) from arrest to treatment bed

Criminal Charges : Held in abeyance until we “stabilize” the participant

- Criminal Charges are put off **60-90 days** while we focus on the Participant’s Health and Recovery
- DA and Defense Bar agrees to waive Speedy Trial Time and Preserve/Delay Motion Practice
- Dismissible Matters (Good Samaritan Law cases) are handle after Participant is stabilized

Play by “Vegas Rules”

We need trust, complete honesty and Prudence (practical discretion) so we can treat the individual.

Yes, we are acting as a **TRIAGE**. At ER you tell the Doctors what is wrong so they can correctly assess the problem.

Honesty: is the most imp. part of program; cannot treat client unless we know what's wrong.

-- we need know what we are dealing with to affectively treat our Clients.

Vegas Rules (cont.)

-- **Honest vs. Abstinence:**

Relapse: R. is a normal part of Recovery. P. may struggle and use Opioids (don't throw the baby out with the bath water)

-- We **DO NOT** sanction use, we sanction behavior**

-- How do ask person not to do the greatest euphoric feeling in their life

** (e.g. masking/fake urine; absconding from treatment; not following treatment protocol)

Polling Question No.1

Q: Where does a shot of Dope lie?

-- **Scale 1 to 10** (10 most pleasurable/euphoric experience in your life)

examples: College graduation **5**; Wedding Day **8**; Birth of Child **10**

Polling Question No.1 Answer

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Getting High on heroin is like
for a **Christian to Kiss**
Jesus Christ!

Vegas Rules (cont.)

"Take the best
orgasm
you've ever
had...
Multiply it by
a thousand.
And you're
still nowhere
near it.



Vegas Rules (cont.)

- Use **Therapeutic Measures** (e.g. Groups, Self Help Recovery, Writing/Oral Assignments) *"Invictus"*** and
- **Graduated Sanctions:** Penalty Box and Detainers (1/2 day, 1 Day, 2 Day) anything more than 3 days is not beneficial to treatment (MAT and/or Treatment)

[Remember] **Recovery is a lifelong healing process and relapse is not a sign of failure** but rather a sign that you need to re-evaluate and modify your (treatment) strategy.

Invictus (latin: “unconquerable” or “undefeated”) poem by William Ernest Henley

Out of the night that covers
me, black as the Pit from
pole to pole, I thank
whatever gods may be For
my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of
circumstance I have not
winced nor cried aloud.
Under the bludgeoning of
chance

My head is bloody, but
unbowed.

Beyond this place of wrath

and tears, looms but the
Horror of the shade, And
yet the menace of the years

Finds, and shall find, me
unafraid

It matters not how strait the
gate

How charged with punishment
the scroll

I am the **master** of my **fate**

I am the **captain** of me **soul!**

Polling Question No. 2

Q: What percentage of Americans prefer referring addicts to treatment over punishment?

Link with Ancillary Services

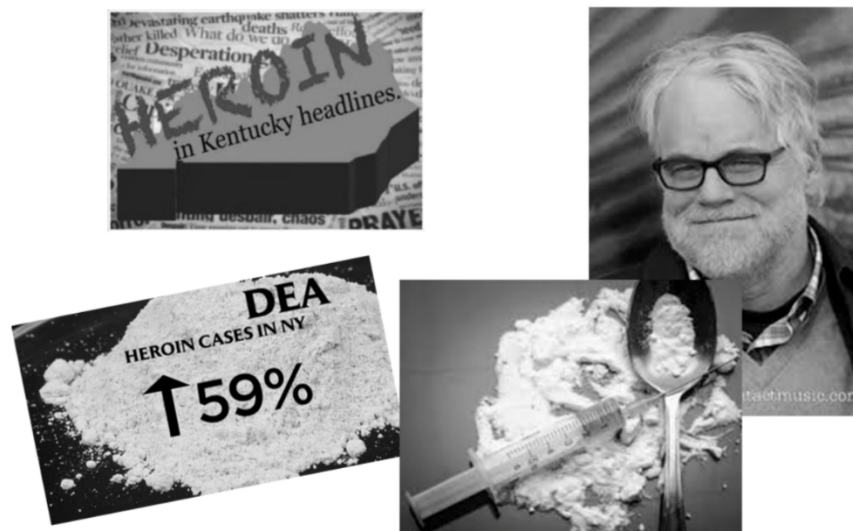
Treat the “Whole Person”

Want Them to Leave Out of Court Better Than When They Came In . . .

- Assist w/getting **Insurance** (Medicare/Medicaid)
- Assist with **Transportation** (bus passes and tokens)
- Assist with **Distal Goals**:
 - Education (ECC) on site
 - Refer to family court for visitation
 - Restoration of Driver's License

8 pm Curfew

Heroin/Opioids



We want our Participants either home, or sober linked activity by **8:00 pm**

-- Self Help, family-based event (encourage restoring family linkages)

- Must call at **8 pm** and “ping” their location from smart phone
- Hear their voice
- Ensure that they are home (not partying)
- Whodini used to have a song called “**The Freaks Come Out at Night**”

Random Drug Testing

- On-Site Testing
- Has to be “Random” (dealing with **Slicksters** who are trying to out slick you)
- Test on Mondays and After Holidays and Special Occasions
- Testing is Observed
- **Sanctionable Offense**: masking urine; other ppl urine

Random “Wellness Checks” and Aggressive Warrant Checks



More Fires Another
Commissioner, After
High Murder Rate

Never Old.
Never New
[Get yours >](#)

Defendants wait to
speak with Judge
Hannah at the court.
Philip Montgomery for
The New York Times

Random “Wellness Checks” and Aggressive Warrant Checks (cont.)

Warrants: Sign of using; Participant Afraid to Come to Court

- Go Find Absconders to Prevent Overdose
- Do Not wait until Absconders are picked up on new charges (maybe too late)

Done in Conjunction with County Sheriff and Probation

- Ensure Participants are Home
- Ensure They are Safe
- Ensure They Are Not Using at Home

Daily Staffings

- “**Staffings**” are meetings of the Judge and other members of the treatment team
- Occur immediately prior to the session
- Held outside of the court session or proceeding
- Designed to review the progress of the participant, and
- Determine the action the court should take at the session (e.g. revise treatment plan, impose sanctions, award incentives, etc.)

Daily Staffings (cont.)

- Provide an opportunity discuss issues relating to the participant
- (Several) Issues are Confidential and/or Inappropriate to discuss in open court
- Reach Consensus on Treatment Decisions (e.g. all on the same page)
- Critically Important/Best Practices

Daily “Face-to-Face” Contact with Judge

Put “**Eyes**” on the Participants

- Get to Know Them
- Get to Know When They Are “Off”
- Get to Know When They Are ‘High’
- Consistency and Habit -- we maybe the only positive contact our clients have (burned a lot bridges); look forward to talking to the judge
- Habit: takes about 30 days for form a habit; creating the habit of going to treatment; habit of **Recovery**

Control Dates: Case Conferences

Work on legal issues while the participant is in treatment (MAT and/or Behavioral)

- Ready to depose of the matter at the end of Intervention Process
- Usual Trajectory (path) leads case to est. Drug Court
- Set Compliance Dates (biweekly or monthly) for minor cases that do not transition into Drug Court

Control Dates: Case Conferences (cont.)

- Encourage Participants to continue Treatment; even on the "Medically Necessity" Case (Good Samaritan Law)
- Have Participant Achieve Some Proximal Goals (e.g. prepare resume, housing)
- Set Some Distal Goals (return to school; employment)
- Open Door (encourage to come back if help is needed)

Peer Advocates

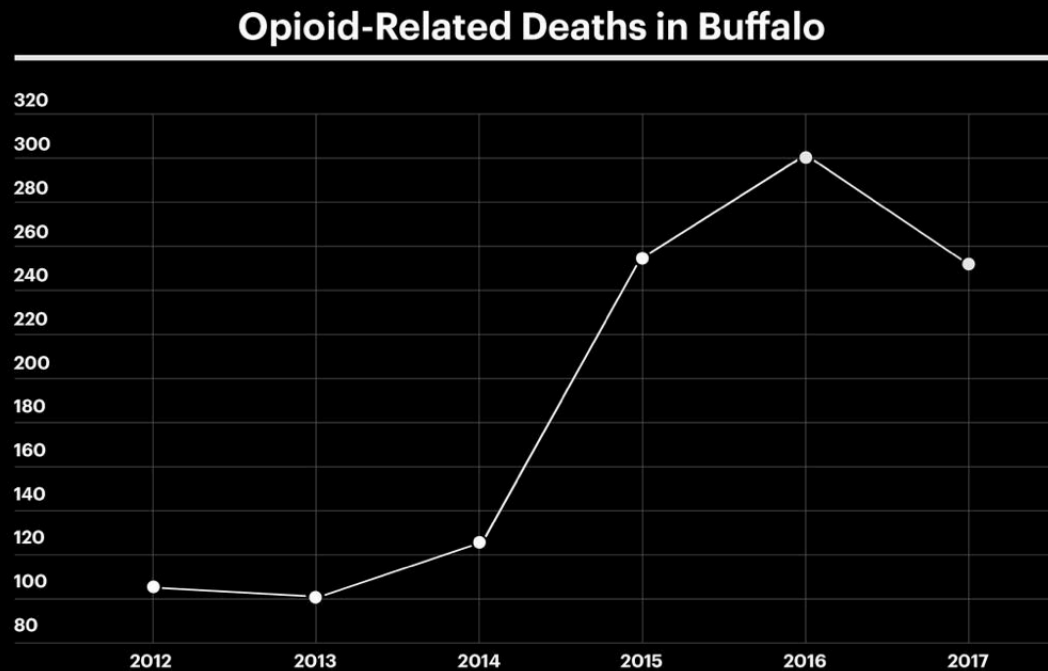
- Peer Support/Peer Guided Services
- Self/Help
- Sponsors
- One-on-One Meeting Time
- Meet the client 'at their level' and help with access to services

Conclusion

Educating Others: Judiciary, Police, Community

- “Hug-a-thug” Court/Tree Huggers
- Breaks the revolving door of the criminal justice system
- Combat the Root Problem
- Saving Valuable Tax Dollars and Resources
- Attitudes are Changes; This Is an Illness, People should not be afraid/embarrassed to seek help

e.g.: recently my coordinator emailed me saying a colleague would not release a hold to next Thursday so my client can get into treatment. (**Wants to appear tough on crime**)



From 2009 to 2016, opioid overdose deaths doubled in New York State.

However, a few areas have begun to see a decrease in fatalities, including the city of Buffalo and surrounding Erie County. What's behind the decline?

Polling Question No. 2

Q: What percentage of Americans prefer referring addicts to treatment over punishment?

Polling Question No.2 Answer

How Should We Address Opioid Addiction?

AMERICAN
PSYCHIATRIC
ASSOCIATION 

58%

of Americans
favor treatment

67%

of Democrats
favor treatment

51%

of Republicans
favor treatment

TREATMENT



or

PUNISHMENT



26%

of Americans
favor punishment

18%

of Democrats
favor punishment

34%

of Republicans
favor punishment

Results based on April 2017 ORC International CARAVAN Omnibus Survey

Our Mission is Keeping Our Participants Alive!

OIC Partners

BestSelf Behavior Health
Buffalo Police Department
Buffalo Public Schools
C.O.U.R.T.S. Program
Erie Community College
Erie County Dept. of Health
and Mental Health Services
Erie County District
Attorney's Office
Erie County Probation and
Pre-Trial Services
Erie County Sheriff's
Department
HOPE Program
Horizon Health Services
Legal Aid Bureau
Save the Michaels of the World
Sisters of Charity Hospital
(Pathways)

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These are **24-Hour hotlines** to call
if you are struggling:

**Crisis Services 24-Hour
Addiction Hotline**
716-831-7007

Addict to Addict Peer Recovery
716-836-2726

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Honorable Craig D. Hannah
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Judge Craig D. Hannah, seated at the Opioid Crisis Intervention Court in Buffalo, N.Y.
Photo courtesy of the Buffalo News

Program Overview

The Buffalo Opioid Intervention Court (OIC) is presided over by the Hon. Craig D. Hannah and a network of professional staff members and agencies committed to helping you stabilize and start changing your life.

Intervention Process

- Divert Participants at Arraignment
- Place in Treatment w/in 24 hrs.
- Hold Criminal Charges in Abeyance
- “Play By Vegas Rules”
- Link with Ancillary Services
- 8 pm Curfew
- Random Drug Testing
- Random “Wellness Checks”

“Once you think that you have this thing beat, that’s when it comes back like a monster and hits you like a sledgehammer”.
- OIC Participant

- Daily Face-to-Face Contact
- Case Conferences During Treatment

Focus on What’s Important

Participating in the OIC requires regular court appearances before the Hon. Craig D. Hannah and the treatment team. You will be required to follow a treatment plan. Treatment begins immediately upon your first appearance in Court. You will be referred to the COURTS Program for an initial screening and evaluation. Treatment plans may consist of Medication Assisted Treatment (M.A.T.), outpatient or inpatient treatment, alcohol/drug and/or mental health treatment, self-help attendance, employment assistance, job readiness programs and schooling.

The entire program will be explained to you at your first appearance. You are required to appear in Court **daily** and depending on your progress, your appearances in Court may later be reduced.

Opioid Court Guidelines

- You are required to report to court **EVERY DAY** (Monday-Friday) between **10-11am** for daily reporting (**6th Floor, Part 12**), as well as counseling each day
- If you have any conflicts (doctor’s appointments, court appearances, etc.) that may interfere with daily reporting, **let Brooke know as soon as possible at 716-225-7147 or 716-845-2503**
- You have an **8pm Curfew**. You must call Megan at **716-909-8575** each night including weekends. If you do not reach her, leave a message. Send your location using your smart phone to the call-in number
- If you attend an evening self-help meeting, **call the curfew number before and after your meeting**. Get self-help slip signed and bring to court the next day
- Expect to take fully-observed random and scheduled urine tests (Toxes) throughout the program. It is important to admit any use to the judge **BEFORE** being asked to tox

9:00A	THE MORNING AFTER [OD, ST, IP] 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
10:00A	ENJOY LIFE (BT, TD, OD, HA) 750 Wehrle Dr, Cheektowaga 14225
10:00A	RECOVERY AT THE VA [OD] 3495 Bailey Ave, Buffalo 14215(10thfloor)
10:00A	RECOVERY MUST COME FIRST(ST,TD,IP,SP) 160 Chestnut Hill Ln S, Buffalo 14221
12:00P	HOPE FOR THE HURTING (ST, TD, BT) 28 Edison Ave, Buffalo 14215
11:30A	FREE TO LIVE (BT, IW, SWG, HA) 3297 Bailey St, Buffalo 14215
6:00P	STEP UP NOT OUT (LT, OD) 200 Cazenovia St, Buffalo 14210 @WIC office
6:30P	DESIRE (BT, GB, OD) 400 Northampton St, Buffalo 14208
7:00P	WE CAN ALL RECOVER (LGBT) 2784 Seneca St, Buffalo 14215
7:00P	FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS [OD, SP, HA) 306 E Main St, Batavia 14020
7:00P	THE LIE IS DEAD [LT, SP] 13298 Broadway St, Alden 14004
7:15P	JUST DO IT (Step Study, IW) 66 Englewood Ave, Buffalo 14214
7:30P	I SURRENDER [OD] 85 Grove St, Tonawanda 14150
7:30P	ACCEPTANCE, LOVE & FAITH (BT) 67 Lake Ave, Blasdell 14219
7:30P	THE JOURNEY CONTINUES [OD, HA, UT) 496 Terrace Blvd, Depew 14043
8:00P	INNER PEACE (1 st ,2 nd ,3 rd ,BT,4 th IP,SP,Last) 340 Military Rd, Buffalo 14207 @ Hertel
8:00P	NEW BEGINNINGS [OD, No Kids) 1570 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls 14303
8:30P	LAST HOUSE ON THE BLOCK (ST, SP) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
9:30P	LATE NIGHT [OD, UT) 781 Maple Rd, Amherst 14221

10:00A EXPERIENCE STRENGTH & HOPE (SP)
26 Brunswick Blvd, Buffalo 14208

10:00A SUNRISE II (OD)
140 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls 14303

11:00A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING (BT, LIT, JFT, OD)
216 Beard St, Buffalo 14214 @ Wesley

11:00A DIGNITY, INTEGRITY & GRACE (OD, LIT, HA)
73 Ashton Pl, Buffalo 14220

12:30P FRESH START (OD, BT, LIT, SP)
2525 Bailey Ave, Buffalo 14215

3:00P NO NAME GROUP (BT, JFT, 5P 5th Sat)
1187 E Delevan Ave, Buffalo 14215

7:00P RECOVERY STARTS HERE (OD, BT, SP)
930 Lake St, Angola 14006

7:30P RECOVERY ON THE LAKE (OD, LIT)
2784 Seneca St, Buffalo 14224

7:30P BACK TO BASICS (BT, ST, TD)
15 Fernhill St, Buffalo 14215

8:00P I CAN'T; WE CAN (LIT, OD, 5th SP)
496 Lafayette Ave, Buffalo 14222

8:00P MAKE IT HAPPEN II (OD, LIT, HA)
4275 S. Harris Hill Rd, Williamsville 14221

8:00P THE WAR IS OVER (SP)
2740 Allen Ave, Niagara Falls 14303

8:00P WHOLE LIFE (SP, No Kids)
1570 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls 14303

10:45P ANOTHER DAY CLEAN (OD, LIT)
995 Dodece Rd, Getzville 14058

CD- Closed Discussion (Addicts Only)	BT- Basic Text
IP- Information	GB- Grab Bag
Pamphlet	LIT- Literature
IW- It Works How & Why	ST- Steps
JFT- Just for Today	SP- Speaker
SWG- Step Working Guide	TD- Traditions
JC- Journey Continues	TP- Topic
GP- Guiding Principles	
OD- Open Discussion	RR- Round Robin
HA- Accessible	WG- Women's Group

1:00P Saturdays Recovery in the Woods
Buffalo State College 1300 Elmwood
Parking Lot I-35 Bulger Communications Building
12:00P Hospitals and Institutions 2nd Sunday
1:00P Phone Line, 2nd Sunday
2:00P Buffalo Area Service, 2nd Sunday
7:00P Public Relations, 1st Thursday @ St. Simons

CALL BEFORE YOU USE!

[illegible]

I will have faith in someone in NA who believes in me and wants to help me in my recovery.

PO Box 736, Buffalo, NY 14207
nawny.org

WNYRCCNA PO Box 736, Buffalo, NY 14207

PO Box 834 Buffalo, NY 14240-0834

A black silhouette of a bison facing left. On its back, there is a small square logo containing a stylized circular emblem.

buffalo

1. We are powerless over our addiction and our lives are unmanageable.

2. Although we are not responsible for our disease we are responsible for our recovery.

3. We can no longer blame people places and things for our addiction. We must face our problems and our feelings.

-Basic Text Page 15

Buffalo Area Hot-Line (716) 878-2316
 Chautauqua Area Help Line (716) 240-5983
 Niagara Falls Area Help Line (716) 304-6880
 Niagara Orleans Area Help Line (716) 478-6992
 North East WNY Area Help Line (716) 777-4172

SUNDAY	
10:00A	MUSTARD SEED (RR, JFT, SP, HA, NS) 1300 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo 14222 (lot 1-35)
10:00A	CLEAN & SERENE (BT, IW, IP, SP, OD) 1570 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls 14303
10:30A	RECOVERY IN SOUTH BUFFALO (CD, BT) 200 Cazenovia St, Buffalo 14210
1:30P	I QUALIFY (ST, SP) 144 Mills St, Buffalo 14212
5:00P	HUGS NOT DRUGS (OD, SP 1st Sun, HA) 3495 Bailey Ave, Buffalo 14215 (10th Flr)
5:00P	SERENITY GROUP (BT) 621 10th St, Niagara Falls 14301 (1st Floor)
6:00P	SECOND CHANCE (SP, OD) 66 Engelwood Ave, Buffalo 14214
6:30P	COMMON GROUND (1 Hour) (OD, LIT, SP) 49 Indian Church Rd, Buffalo 14210
7:00P	KEEPING RECOVERY FIRST (OD) 340 Military Rd, Buffalo 14207 @ Hertel
7:30P	WEEEEEE RECOVER (OD, ST, JFT) (SP-last Sunday of the month) 781 Maple Rd, Williamsville 14221
8:00P	I AM (OD, BT, SP 3rd Sun, HA) 75 Hickory St, Buffalo 14204
8:00P	LIVING THE PROGRAM I (SP) 822 Cleveland Ave, Niagara Falls 14305

MONDAY	
9:00A	THE MORNING AFTER (OD, ST, IP) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
12:00P	HOPE FOR THE HURTING (LIT) 28 Edison Ave, Buffalo 14215
1:00P	WOMEN DO RECOVER (WG, LIT, OD) 2784 Seneca St, Buffalo 14224
2:00P	RECOVERY IS THEN POSSIBLE 1327 Jefferson Ave, Buffalo 14208 @ Utica
5:00P	HIGHER POWER (LIT) (Closed Holidays) 633 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo 14222
6:00P	UNITED WE STAND (BT, JFT, ST, TP, SP) 923 Sycamore St, Buffalo 14212
6:00P	HOPE FOR THE HURTING II (JC, GP) 28 Edison St, Buffalo 14215
6:30P	PRIMARY PURPOSE (LIT, HA) 265 Falconer St, N. Tonawanda, NY 14120
7:00P	APPLYING THE SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES (OD,LIT) 5477 Broadway St, Lancaster 14086
7:00P	MIRACLES OF NA (OD, IP, BT, ST) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
7:00P	RECOVERY UNDERGROUND (OD) 340 Military Rd, Buffalo 14207

MONDAY	
7:00P	BACK TO BASICS (BT, IT) 1570 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls 14303
7:00P	RECOVERY IN THE WARD (BT, HA) (One Hour) 62 Republic St, Buffalo 14204
7:00P	RECOVERY IN TIORUNDA (ST, TD, OD) 425 Maryvale Dr, Cheektowaga 14225
7:30P	RECOVERY IN SPRINGVILLE (OD) 591 E. Main St (Rt. 39), Springville 14141
7:30P	STEPS TO RECOVERY (ST, SP, LIT) 1218 Seneca St, Buffalo 14210
8:00P	FULL EFFECT (BT, CD, HA) 418 N. Division, Buffalo 14204 @ Hickory

TUESDAY	
9:00A	THE MORNING AFTER (OD, ST, IP) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
10:00A	KEEP COMING BACK (JFT, BT, IW, SWG) 1131 Broadway St, Buffalo 14214 (Upstairs)
1:00P	HOPE & FREEDOM (LIT, HA) 750 Wehrle Dr, Cheektowaga 14225
3:00P	HOW IT WORKS (LIT) 2525 Bailey Ave, Buffalo 14215
4:00P	IT'S ABOUT CHANGE (ST) 225 High St, Buffalo 14202 @ Mulberry
6:00P	ALIVE ON THE BOULEVARD (IP, BT, OD) 1370 Niagara Falls Blvd, Tonawanda 14150
6:00P	CLEAN & SERENE (BT, TP, SP Last T) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
6:00P	SPIRITUAL GROWTH (ROT LIT) 216 Beard St, Buffalo 14214 @ Wesley
6:00P	JUNKYARD (JFT) Door #5 Rm L12 4999 McKinley Pkwy, Hamburg 14075
7:00P	LAST RESORT (CD, SP) 292 High St, Buffalo 14204
7:00P	FAITH, HOPE & LOVE (1 st BT, 2 nd IW, 3 rd SP, 4 th OD) 1049 French Rd, Cheektowaga 14227
7:00P	LOST DREAMS AWAKEN (BT, OD) 5505 Broadway St, Lancaster 14086
7:30P	TO LIVE AND DIE IN NA (CD, HA) 340 Military Rd, Buffalo 14207 @ Hertel
7:30P	WHY (BT, IW, OD, SP 3rd Tues) 1218 Seneca St, Buffalo 14210
8:00P	WHY ARE WE HERE? (OD) 621 10th St, Niagara Falls 14301
8:00P	MAKE IT HAPPEN (OD, L, JFT, HA) 4275 S. Harris Hill Rd, Williamsville 14221
8:00P	THOROUGHLY BEATEN, NOW WILLING (VA Hosp) 3495 Bailey Ave, Bflo 14215(ST, TD, SWG, SP)
9:00P	COOL BEANS (BT, CD) 6220 McKinley Pkwy @ Newton, Hamburg 14075

WEDNESDAY	
9:00A	THE MORNING AFTER (OD, ST, IP) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
12:00P	PROMISE OF FREEDOM II (1 Hour) (OD, JFT) 2784 Seneca St, Buffalo 14224
12:00P	HOPE FOR THE HURTING (LIT) 28 Edison Ave, Buffalo 14215
12:00P	SIMPLICITY (OD, HA) 531 Farber Lakes Dr, Williamsville 14221
12:30P	IT WORKS HOW AND WHY (OD) 140 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls 14303
4:30P	CHANGE CAN HAPPEN (OD) 699 Hertel Ave, Buffalo 14207
6:00P	HONEST SOLUTIONS (behind Church) 418 N Division St @ Hickory, Buffalo 14204
6:00P	RECOVERY IN THE FRUIT BELT (LIT, OD) 76 Orange St, Buffalo 14204
6:45P	THE HARVEST (OD) 5087 Broadway, Depew 14043(corner of Penora)
7:00P	THE SOLUTIONS GROUP (BT,CD) 66 Englewood Ave, Buffalo 14214
7:30P	HIP TO BE THERE (BT, IP, OD/GB, 1 st SP) 1218 Seneca St, Buffalo 14210
7:30P	WE ARE RESPONSIBLE (BT, IP, IW, SP) 1345 Indian Church Rd, West Seneca 14224
8:00P	THERE'S HOPE AFTER ALL (SP) 9136 Sandrock Rd, Eden 14057 (off Route 62)
8:00P	RECOVERY IN LACKAWANNA (OD, IW) 682 Ridge Rd, Lackawanna 14218
8:00P	SUNRISE I (OD, SP 3rd Wed) 2740 Allen Ave, Niagara Falls 14305
8:00P	NEVER TOO LATE (TP, 3 rd SP, HA) 657 Best St, Buffalo 14211 @ Herman

THURSDAY	
9:00A	THE MORNING AFTER (OD, ST, IP) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211
10:00A	STARTING OVER (TP, SP Last Thurs) 2470 Allen Ave, Niagara Falls 14303
12:30P	CHANGING OUR WAYS (BT) @ Union 3512 Clinton St, West Seneca 14224
12:30P	COURAGE TO CHANGE (OD) 939 Ontario Ave, Niagara Falls 14305
12:30P	RECOVERY ON ELMWOOD (IW) 695 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo 14222
3:00P	HOW IT WORKS II (LIT) 2525 Bailey Ave, Buffalo 14215
5:30P	RENACER (Spanish/English, OD) 951 Niagara St, Buffalo 14213(near Hampshire)
6:00P	HOPE FOR THE HURTING II (JC, GP) 28 Edison St, Buffalo 14215
6:30P	HOPE ON HERTEL (IP, BT, JFT) 310 Starin Ave, Buffalo 14216 (near Hertel)
7:00P	RECOVERY IN WEST SENECA (BT, HA) 2784 Seneca St, Buffalo 14224
7:00P	RECOVERY HOW & WHY (IW, ST, TD, OD) 265 Falconer St, N. Tonawanda 14120
7:30P	HAPPY, JOYOUS & FREE (OD, LIT) 781 Maple Rd, Williamsville 14221
7:30P	STRAIGHTWAY (OD, HA) 4369 South Buffalo St, Orchard Park 14127
7:30P	FUTURE OF HOPE (OD) 3 Doat St, Buffalo 14211

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(DATE)

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