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Your resource for behavioral health trainings, events, program information, news, and more around the Shore.

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A Horrific Crime on the Subway Led to Kendra's Law. Years Later, Has It Helped?

The New York Times

By Ali Watkins
Sept. 11, 2018

Nearly two decades ago, in a Manhattan subway station, a mentally ill man shoved Kendra Webdale, a promising young writer, to her death in front of an oncoming N train.

It was a horrific crime that shocked the city and the nation, highlighting deep flaws in the care of seriously mentally ill people and spurring a wave of state laws that use court orders to move them into outpatient treatment.

Last week, the man who killed Ms. Webdale, Andrew Goldstein, now 49, who has had schizophrenia since his youth, walked out of prison and into a mental health system that has been heavily influenced by his crime.

But whether those reforms have fundamentally improved that system — or just patched it over — remains an issue of intense debate among lawmakers, doctors and other mental health specialists. The so-called Kendra's Law program in New York, for example, is considered to be successful when it is used. But advocates and critics alike say it is underutilized and underfunded.

"There's still so much further to go," said State Senator Catharine Young, an upstate New York Republican who has been one of the law's chief supporters in recent years.

Now, 46 states have some version of the program popularized by Kendra's Law, known in the mental health lexicon as "Assisted Outpatient Treatment," or A.O.T.

The effectiveness of consistent treatment on the most seriously mentally ill, with or without a court order, is widely acknowledged. The treatment required by Kendra's Law in New York is proven to reduce a patient's risk of hospitalization, suicide and violence.

Championed by Ms. Webdale's family, Kendra's Law sought to plug cracks that

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Mr. Goldstein had fallen through. Records showed that he had been hospitalized more than a dozen times before killing Ms. Webdale, including one stay in the hospital just six weeks prior.

He was repeatedly released to live on his own, where he often shirked treatment, he later acknowledged.

Under longstanding law, people who are a danger to themselves or others can be committed to a psychiatric ward. But then there are those who are not deemed an immediate danger and thus do not meet that standard.

That was the case for Mr. Goldstein before he pushed Ms. Webdale to her death.

Under Kendra's Law, individuals like Mr. Goldstein can be brought to court and ordered to undergo outpatient treatment, including taking medication. There is no criminal penalty if they don't comply, but research has shown the program is effective.

Assisted Outpatient Treatment programs also require state health systems to prioritize patients with court orders, moving them to the front of waiting lists for treatment.

Advocates of this approach say it provides incentives for seriously mentally ill people to stay in treatment. Critics respond that the programs drag some of the most vulnerable patients through legal proceedings, only after the mental health system has failed them elsewhere. They also point to racial disparities in how the law is applied.

As of Tuesday, there were 3,158 patients under active Kendra's Law court orders in New York, according to state statistics.

There are more patients who could qualify for the program based on their mental health and criminal histories. "We guess that there should be around 8,000," said D. J. Jaffe, an advocate of Kendra's Law who is the executive director of Mental Illness Policy Org.

Kendra's Law restricts who can petition the courts to get patients into treatment. Doctors and parole officers can initiate the process, but the burden often falls on family members.

"One of the problems we have with the current Kendra's Law is family members aren't aware that it's available as a resource," Senator Young said. "The research clearly demonstrates that Kendra's Law has been effective in helping the seriously mentally ill get the help they need and increasing public safety. However, it is greatly underutilized."

Mr. Goldstein was sentenced to 23 years in prison, but was released after 19 years because of good behavior.

Despite years of treatment behind bars, Mr. Goldstein remains far from well. On the afternoon of his last day at Sing Sing prison, he frequently rambled during an interview.

He said that he hoped to be admitted to Creedmoor psychiatric hospital in Queens, where he spent time before his imprisonment. He said he knew he could not be trusted to maintain treatment on his own, and he would feel safer if someone was there to make sure he took his medication.

Mr. Goldstein said he knew that he killed Ms. Webdale, and while staring at his dirtied Converse sneakers, he described that day in 1999.

But he added: "I still don't know how responsible I am for that death."

It is unclear if Mr. Goldstein himself qualifies for care under Kendra's Law, which requires that a patient has been hospitalized or jailed, or has committed an act of violence, within the previous

48 months — and that the patient has not been compliant with treatment.

Mr. Goldstein's history before his imprisonment would have qualified him. However, Kendra's law did not go into effect until November 1999. Asked what that discrepancy meant for Mr. Goldstein's future, experts were split.

Mr. Goldstein was released on Thursday to "another state agency," the Department of Corrections said. The court order was sealed and no more details were available.

Families of mentally ill people in Kendra's Law programs said the threat of a court order was often enough to prompt a loved one into treatment.

"That was the magic trick," said Susan Marasciulo, who said her mentally ill son had his life transformed by Kendra's Law. "That was the turning point." She and her husband referred him into the program after a series of hospital stays and an episode involving the police.

Her son left the program a decade ago, she said, and has complied with treatment since, including after the family moved to South Carolina.

Assisted Outpatient Treatment is twofold. It requires the mentally ill to get treatment, and obligates state health systems to provide it.

"There's very, very wide variability in A.O.T. programs across the country," said Dr. Marvin Swartz, a psychiatry professor at Duke University, where he has helped lead several studies on the effectiveness of these programs. "New York is unique because with the legislation, it added the infrastructure."

New York State budgeted \$24.7 million for Kendra's Law last year, Senator Young said, adding that the program could use more financial support. She introduced legislation to strengthen the law that passed the Republican-controlled State Senate, but it hasn't passed the Democratic-controlled State Assembly.

Critics of Assisted Outpatient Treatment said the programs did not address broader problems in the mental health system.

"A number of the people that wind up on these programs are all too often people who are being failed by the system," said Harvey Rosenthal, executive director of the New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services.

"Once you open that option, it lets the system off the hook," he said. "You don't want to write the system off; you want to push the system to respond."

After the interview at Sing Sing, Mr. Goldstein said he was about to meet with his lawyer.

He said he was working with a legal team as he transitioned out of prison and, he hoped, into a Kendra's Law program.

"It is a silver lining," Mr. Goldstein said, during a moment of clarity. "If that's what you'd call it."

Reached later that week, a representative for the law firm Mr. Goldstein mentioned was troubled: Its lawyers had not worked with him in years.

Article: https://www.nytimes.com/2018/09/11/nyregion/kendras-law-andrew-goldstein-subway-murder.html?rref=collection%2Fsectioncollection%2Fhealth&action=click&contentCollection=health®ion=stream&module=stream_unit&version=latest&contentPlacement=23&pgtype=sectionfront

For All Seasons, Inc. is a private, non-profit human services agency offering outpatient mental health services, including psychiatry, for children, youth and adults, and crisis support for victims of rape, sexual assault and other traumas. We provide support and services to all individuals, groups, organizations and communities throughout the Mid-Shore to assist, maintain and enhance social functioning regardless of race, religion, income, sex or age.

For All Seasons, Inc. currently has IMMEDIATE openings for school-based mental health clinical team members in Caroline County.

JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:

Provide quality therapeutic care that is appropriate to the age, diagnoses, developmental state, and mental status of individuals, families, and groups as assigned to caseload.

Assess client's strengths, needs, abilities and preferences; formulates a diagnostic impression based on current DSM criteria; and in conjunction with the client, develops an individualized person-centered treatment plan.

Complete assessments, treatment plans, progress notes, discharge summaries, OMS authorizations, and other chart related documents and correspondence for assigned clients in a timely manner.

Provide direct behavioral health services (i.e., psycho/social assessments, consultation, individual/group/ family therapy, professional in-service training and community education services, etc.)

Make necessary referrals to community resources, complete and file paperwork associated with referral in chart.

Participate in treatment team to promote collaboration in developing strategies and interventions that promote wellness outcomes for all agency clients.

Attend regularly scheduled supervision and prepare with relevant case presentations, specific questions, ethical dilemmas, concerns, etc. to discuss with direct supervisor.

Maintain appropriate state license/registration/certification, which includes prescribed continuing education requirements for professional licensing board.

Follow all HIPAA compliance and confidentiality policies and procedures in all areas of work in accordance with FAS policies and applicable laws.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Minimum of Master's Level Education and appropriate licensure.
- Ability and willingness to travel as assigned.
- Ability to manage self and maintain a calm environment in crises situations.
- Effective written and oral expression
- Cooperative, positive, and enthusiastic attitude toward fellow employees, clients and visitors.
- Prompt and on time for work, assignments and meetings.
- Complete assigned tasks in a timely manner with little supervision.
- Knowledgeable of Microsoft Office
- LCSW-Cs are preferred but LGSWs are encouraged to apply



The Maryland Employment Network

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Job Announcement

The Maryland Employment Network is looking to fill a newly created Career Consultant position! This position is highly independent, and primary responsibilities include assisting individuals with varying disabilities obtain and maintain jobs in the community, as well as building a network of employer partners. The ideal candidate must have a Bachelors degree, and experience in human services, marketing, or staffing/recruiting, as well as exceptional documentation and organizational skills. Current CPWIC certification is a plus, but not required at time of hire. For more information, please contact Keirstyn Silver (keirstyn.silver@maryland.gov).

COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE II

FULL-TIME CONTRACTUAL

Recruitment #18-004216-0053

DEPARTMENT MDH Local Health - Caroline County

DATE OPENED 8/22/2018 3:55:00 PM

FILING DEADLINE 9/17/2018 11:59:00 PM

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EMPLOYMENT TYPE Full-Time

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WORK LOCATION Caroline

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The Sante Group seeks **Full time, Part Time, and PRN Crisis Therapists (Social Workers)** to join our Eastern Shore Crisis Response System! The Crisis Therapist will assess, evaluate, and perform crisis intervention techniques, and will develop a crisis plan for continuation of services related to individual consumers. He or she will be responsible for all incident documentation, and will be the on-site resource for any relevant clinical information, as well as the liaison for collaboration with other involved parties including families, friends, and other community providers. This is a mobile position and the employee must be comfortable driving in a car for extended periods of time (company car provided). This is an excellent leadership opportunity with a leading non-profit organization in Maryland. If you have at least one year of social work or psychology experience, a desire to work on crisis response and a Master's degree, apply today! Our current positions are in Elkton and Chestertown, Md.

Qualifications:

- Master's degree in counseling, social work, or a related field of study
 - LGSW /LGPC/ LCSW/LCPC license preferred
 - Minimum one year of related experience
- Must be able to work individually as well as within a team
- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to drive a company vehicle. The employee must possess a valid Driver's License, proof of current automobile insurance and may not have more than two (2) points on their driving record
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Dr. Paul Katz, Addiction Specialist, joins Eastern Shore Psychological Services team



Paul M. Katz, DO, FACA, FASAM will join the medical team at Eastern Shore Psychological Services (ESPS) full time this month. As the Associate Medical Director for Recovery Services, he will lead the agency's in expanding state of the art recovery programs. Dr. Katz will provide direct care services primarily at ESPS' Kent and Talbot County locations. Dr. Katz is board certified in addiction medicine, anesthesiology and family practice. He received his doctorate from Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine and training in anesthesiology at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center. Dr. Katz is Diplomate of the American Board of Addiction Medicine and President-Elect of the Maryland-D.C. Society of Addiction Medicine. He is the founder of the Chesapeake Wellness Center where he has provided specialized treatment in substance abuse in Cecil County since 2000.

Dr. Ben Kohl, Director of Mid Shore Programs for ESPS notes, "We are thrilled to have Dr. Katz join our team. His philosophy of treating the whole person, commitment to promoting mental wellness and relapse prevention, and clear dedication to treating this epidemic in rural communities makes him a perfect match for our agency."

Eastern Shore Psychological Services was formed in 1999 in Salisbury, Maryland by Dr. Kathryn Seifert and has grown to become one of the leading providers of behavioral health on the Shore. The agency, which has locations in Somerset, Worcester, Talbot and Kent counties, annually helps over 3,000 consumers address mental health concerns, recover from substance use problems, and heal from the impact of trauma. Dr. Larry Pezor, ESPS Chief Medical Officer, adds, "Dr. Katz' expertise brings a level of care and quality of service unsurpassed by any agency on the Eastern Shore".

To learn more about how to access ESPS services please call 443-282-0102 or visit www.espsmd.com

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to college, BUT she fell into the grip of addic-
tion, prescription drugs that robbed her and me of her precious life. She
was denied the level of medical treatment necessary to treat this disease.

We need your support in fighting BIG PHARMA and in providing those
in need of the treatment they require.

By Liz Patterson

BIG PHARMA ... **BILLIONS** ...
... **Do not accept anything less!**

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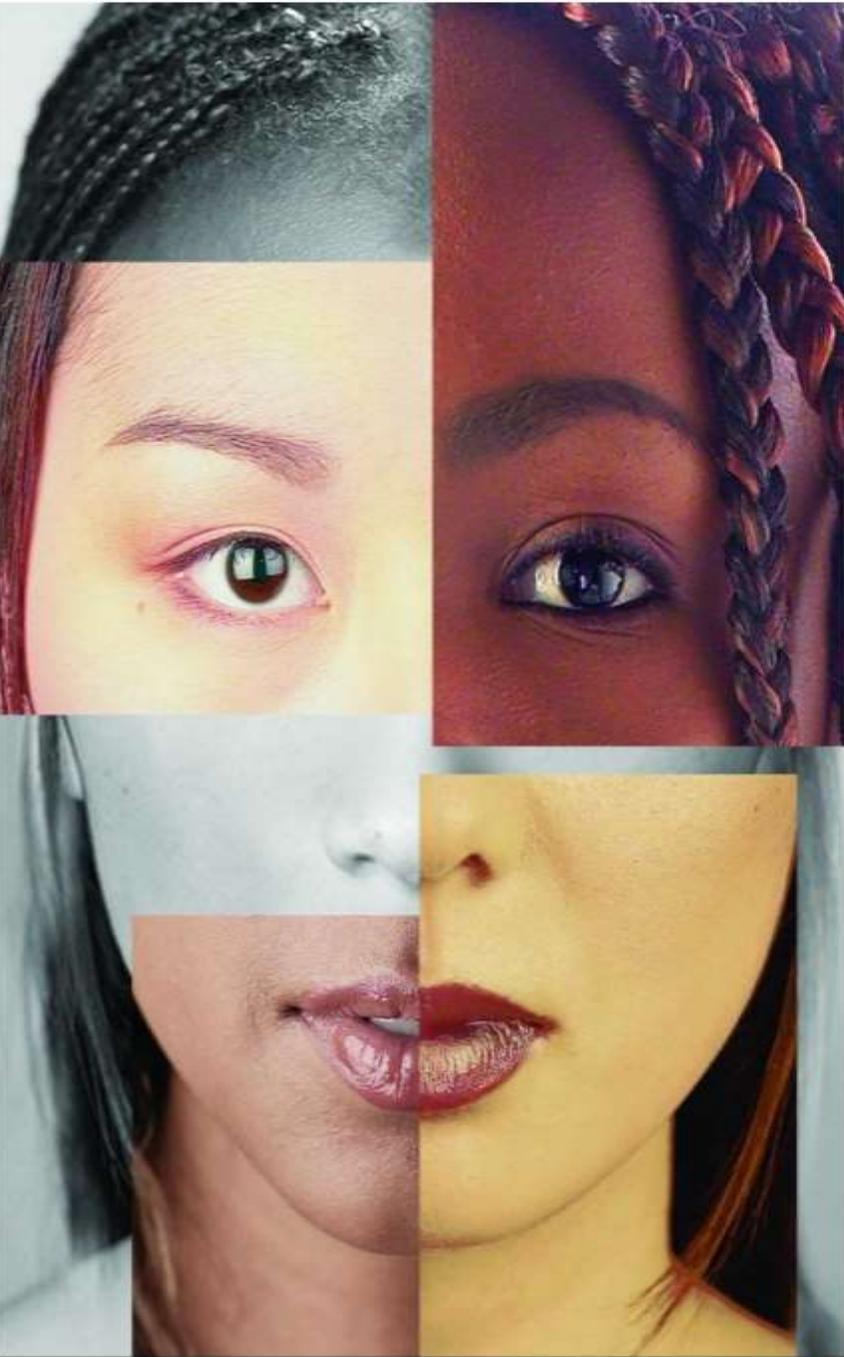
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Join the Conversation on Race

Be a part of an ongoing discussion
about the impact of race on our lives
and in our communities.

When:

Thursday, September 27, 2018
6pm – 8pm

Location:

Talbot County Education Center
12 Magnolia Street, Easton MD 21601

RSVP:

Katie Sevon - talbotfamilynetwork@talb-gov.org

There will be food!!

**Not everything that is faced can
be changed, but nothing can be
changed until it is faced.**

- James Baldwin

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Maryland's 30th Annual
Suicide Prevention Conference

"Suicide Prevention is Everybody's Business"

Conference Details:

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Martin's West
6817 Dogwood Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21244

Attendee Fee: \$95
Student Fee: \$55

The conference will offer 6.0 CEUs for psychologists, counselors, and social workers. All other professions will receive a certificate of attendance.



Keynote Speaker:
Chief Warrant Officer 4
Clifford W. Bauman
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Registration and workshop descriptions are available at:

<http://trainingcenter.umaryland.edu/pages/training-conferences.aspx>.



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Behavioral Health Administration

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WHAT:

Ethics Training
3 Category 1
CEUS

WHEN:

Thursday
October 4th
9:00-12:30pm

WHERE:

Peace of
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8614 Ocean
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Suite 4, Easton,
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Cost:
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TO REGISTER EMAIL HEATHER AT:

heather.peaceofmindmhs@gmail.com

Registration and check-in will begin at 8:30 a.m. Training will start promptly at 9:00 a.m.

If you have any questions, please email Heather or call 410-690-8181



REGISTRATION

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

8:30 am - 5:00 pm

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PLEASE INDICATE CEUs or COAs

- Continuing Education Units (social workers, CPRS, psychologists, alcohol/drug counselors)
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**Please mail or fax registration
by Thursday, September 19, 2018:**

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Baltimore, MD 21244
Phone: (410) 265-1300



From North:

Take I-95 S • Use the right 2 lanes to take exit 64 for I-695 W toward Towson • Merge onto I-695 • Continue on I-695 W for approximately 17 miles • Take exit 18 for MD-26/Liberty Rd toward Locheam/Randallstown • Continue straight onto Lord Baltimore Dr for approximately 2 miles (signs for MD-26 E/Locheam) • Turn left onto Dogwood Road • Martin's West will be on your right.

From South:

Take I-95 N • Use the left lane to take exit 49B for I-695 W toward Towson • Merge onto I-695 • Continue on I-695 for approximately 5 miles • Take exit 17 for Security Blvd toward Woodlawn • Continue straight on Security Blvd for approximately .3 miles • Turn right onto Belmont Avenue • Turn left onto Dogwood Road • Martin's West will be on your left.

From East:

Take US-301 S/US-50 W • Use the right 2 lanes to take exit 21 toward Baltimore • Continue onto I-97 N for approximately 17 miles • Keep right at the fork to stay on I-97 N, follow signs for I-695 W/Baltimore/Towson • Merge onto I-695 W • Follow I-695 W for approximately 10 miles • Take exit 17 for Security Blvd toward Woodlawn • Continue straight on Security Blvd for approximately .3 miles • Turn right onto Belmont Avenue • Turn left onto Dogwood Road • Martin's West will be on your left.

From West:

Take I-70 E • Take exit 94 to merge onto Security Blvd • Merge onto Security Blvd • Turn right onto Keman Dr • Turn left onto Dogwood Rd • Martin's West will be on your left.



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Wednesday, October 10, 2018

8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Guest Presenters

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Friday, October 26th

8:00 am – Noon

8:00 am – 8:20 am Sign-in and Continental Breakfast

8:20 am – 8:40 am **WELCOME and CASE INTRODUCTION**

8:40 am – 9:25 am **IMPLEMENTING PERSON-CENTERED, TRAUMA - INFORMED CARE** with Holocaust Survivors and Other Older Adults with a History of Trauma

9:30 am – 10:15 am **DO YOU HAVE LITTLE INTEREST OR PLEASURE IN DOING THINGS OR FEEL DOWN OR HOPELESS?:**
Overcoming Depression and Social Isolation

10:25 am – 11:10 am **PANEL PRESENTATIONS – Community Resources**

Presenters will discuss a range of community based support programs for frail, community dwelling older adults and their families.

11:15 am – 12:00 noon **CASE DISCUSSION – Audience and Presenters**

12:00 noon Evaluations/Certificates

LOCATION: English Hall at The Eastern Shore Hospital Center 5262 Woods Rd, Cambridge, MD 21613

NO CHARGE TO ATTEND

ADVANCE REGISTRATION is required by October 19th to Lisa Widmaier at esahecgait@esahec.org or by calling 410-221-2600. Please indicate your preferred certificate - Social Work continuing education certificate or certificate of attendance. SPACE IS LIMITED SO REGISTER EARLY.

The Eastern Shore AHEC is a sponsor authorized by the Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners and participants will be awarded a certificate for 3 hours of Category 1 Social Work CEUs upon completion of this program.

LUNCH and LEARN series

All presentations are held from noon – 1 p.m. at Spring Grove Hospital Center.
Additional information is available at mdspin.eventbrite.com.

October 18, 2018

Talk Saves Lives: An Introduction to Suicide Prevention

Tammi Ginsberg, LCPC

President, Maryland Chapter, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

November 15, 2018

It's Real: College Students and Mental Health

Kat Olbrich

Maryland Area Director, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

December 20, 2018

Interactive Screening Program

Maggie Mortali, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

January 17, 2019

Problem Gambling and Suicide

Mary Drexler

Program Director, Maryland Center of Excellence on Problem Gambling

February 21, 2019

Postvention as Prevention: Supporting Suicide-loss Survivors

Sarah Montgomery, LCSW-C

Therapist, Chesapeake Life Center

March 21, 2019

Resources for Caregivers in Service to our Men and Women Who've Served

Dana Burl, MA

Director, Outreach and Advocacy Program, Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs

April 18, 2019

More Than Sad

Kat Olbrich

Maryland Area Director, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

May 16, 2019

You Matter: The Relationship of Bullying and Suicide

Shenetta Malkianding

Founding President and Executive Director, Empowerment Essence



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**Friday, November 16th,
2018**

9:30am-1:30pm

*Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center
600 Discovery Lane, Grasonville, MD*

**Free light breakfast and doors open
at 9am. Conference starts at 9:30am.**



Keynote Speaker:

**Loretta Veney
Motivational speaker
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**Vendor resources, giveaways, free
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Pre-registration is required as space is limited!

**To register please call Katy Harrison at the QAC Area Agency on
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MARYLAND ACCESS POINT

YOUR LINK TO HEALTH & SUPPORT SERVICES

CHILDREN'S SOCIAL SKILLS GROUPS

WHAT:

Elementary School aged Social Skills Group.

WHO:

2nd- to 5th grade

WHEN:

Saturdays at 12:30
Dates:

10/13, 10/20, 10/25

11/3, 11/10, 11/17

12/1, 12/8, 12/15

WHERE:

Peace of Mind, LLC
8614 Ocean Gateway,
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Join us for our elementary aged social skills group for children in grades 2nd to 5th. Participants will learn basic social skills in a group environment. The comprehensive curriculum which runs nine weeks will have creative tailored interventions. The program will teach a variety of core components necessary to the goal of building strong social skills, allowing for confidence and age appropriate communication.

Early registration is advised as slots are limited.

TO REGISTER FOR THE GROUP:

PLEASE CALL (410) 690-8181.

Dorchester County 3rd Annual 2018 Walk

September 22, 2018

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Train Station: Hurlock Md

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SEPTEMBER 22, 2018
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

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for more info (410)228-3230 visit us www.dri-dock.org

Walk to Fight Suicide

Mid-Shore Out of the Darkness Walk
Idlewild Park, Easton
September 29, 2018 - from 10 am to 1 pm

Register Today!
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Prevention



MIDSHORE OPIOID MISUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM COALITION MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018 5:30PM

Help us reach our goals to :

- Raise awareness of how to access drug treatment and understand treatment procedures
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COME JOIN US!

**CHESAPEAKE COLLEGE- EDC Room 27
WYE MILLS, MD**

RSVP by: Sept 15, 2018

Contact us at: erin.hill@maryland.gov or
410-901-8134

**FREE TO PUBLIC
SEATING LIMITED**

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JOIN US
MONDAY
SEPTEMBER 10TH!

Join us for a whole day of food and fun at Ledo Pizza in Easton. Any purchases made on September 10th will help to raise money for the Talbot County Senior Center!

Karaoke with Shelley Abbott will start

at 7pm!



For more information contact Brookletts Place at (410) 822-2869.

All day fundraiser at:



Easton, MD

In support
of
Brookletts
Place
Senior
Center!

\$5 Calzones and Stromboli!

Paint Night also available! Contact Ledo's for more information on Paint Night.



Celebrate the End of Summer With a Crab Basket !!



Inside the basket you will find items such as:

- A Certificate for one bushel of Steamed No. 1 Crabs donated by Danny Ashley ~ will be available for pick up on September 29, 2018
 - Old Bay Crab Seasoning
 - Crab Mallets
 - Utensils and Plates for Four
 - A Case of Beer
 - And many more items

Raffle Tickets are available ~ 3 for \$5.00

The drawing will take place on
21st September 2018

Brookletts Place ~ Talbot County Senior Center
400 Brookletts Avenue ~ Easton, Maryland 21601
410.822.2869



BBQ Fundraiser
Pit Beef and Turkey
Catering by Jamie
Brookletts Place

Talbot County Senior Center
Friday, September 21st, 2018
11:00am until 2:00pm

For \$8.00 you'll receive a sandwich, chips and your choice of soda or water



We will deliver orders of 5 sandwiches or more (within a 5 mile radius)

For deliveries, please place your order no later than September 14th, 2018 (monies must be collected by this date for delivery).

Call the Talbot County Senior Center at 410.822.2869 to place your order

The Talbot County Senior Center is located at 400 Brookletts Avenue, Easton, Maryland
Proceeds to benefit the fund raising campaign



"FREDERICK"

A MUSICAL NARRATIVE
FEATURING JASON S. MCKINNEY
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2018
6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

THE WATERFOWL BUILDING, HARRISON & SOUTH STS
EASTON, MD

The world premiere of the original work "Frederick" is being co-sponsored by Brookletts Place Talbot County Senior Center, the Frederick Douglass 200 Celebration Committee and the Frederick Douglass Honor Society to commemorate the bicentennial of the birth of Frederick Augustus Washington Bailey Douglass. This adaption of the written and spoken works from the great US Statesman and Talbot County native explores his life and legacy. The production is written and performed by Mr. McKinney, who has performed on stage in venues such as The Kennedy Center, The White House, The Semper Opera House in Desden Germany and the Theatre Carre in Amsterdam Netherlands, to name a few. Mr. McKinney recently portrayed Paul Robeson for the Center this past fall at the Easton High School Auditorium.

CAROLINE GOES PURPLE



FREE COMMUNITY FILM SCREENINGS

The monthlong awareness campaign will culminate with two community showings of the film "If Only," which chronicles a teen's pathway to addiction. Both screenings include FREE raffles, a resource fair and ice cream social.

SEPT. 24 AT 6:30 PM

NORTH CAROLINE HIGH SCHOOL

SEPT. 27 AT 6:30 PM

COLONEL RICHARDSON HIGH SCHOOL

September is National Recovery Month, and its signature color is purple. For the month of September, we encourage all Caroline County residents to "Go Purple" in any way they can and to focus their attention on this issue their community is facing.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT // STAND UP AGAINST SUBSTANCE ABUSE

- **Go Purple!** Light your home purple and think of creative ways your workplace or business can show support and raise awareness by Going Purple.
- **Spread the word!** Share our educational messages on social media.
- **Talk about it!** Engage in a conversation with your family about prescription drugs, and really listen to what your kids say.
- **Take action!** Lock up your prescription drugs and safely dispose of ones you aren't using. Get Narcan trained and carry it with you – you could save a life.
- **Join the conversation!** Attend one of our community conversations about the opioid crisis.

For more information on Caroline Goes Purple, please contact Jennifer Farina at purple@drugfreecaroline.org or 410-479-0660.





FALL SOCIAL



OCTOBER 9, 2018, 1:30PM

ENJOY FALL TREATS,

NETWORK WITH OTHER OUTREACH WORKERS,
LEARN ABOUT THE MIDSHORE ROUNDTABLE ON
HOMELESSNESS

Midshore Behavioral Health: 28578 Mary's Ct., Ste. 1
Easton, MD 21601
410-770-4801

Mid Shore Roundtable
on Homelessness



Serving Children, Children, Youth, and
Young Adults in the Tidewater Region

Christ Church Parish

presents a benefit concert featuring

The Chesapeake Reed Trio



www.chesapeakereedtrio.com

A professional ensemble featuring Emily Madsen, oboe; Sheila Cullen, clarinet and Micahla Hendrix, bassoon.

Sunday, October 21st at 3 p.m.

Free and open to the public. An offering will be collected to benefit Haven Ministries and the Lighthouse Center. A reception will follow the concert.



830 Romancoke Rd.
Stevensville, MD 21666
ccpki.org
410-643-5921





GOOSEBUMP JUMP 2018

SATURDAY, NOV. 10
BETTERTON BEACH

9:30am The fun begins on the beach
11am JUMP IN THE BAY!
Meltdown party, lunch, and
prizes to follow.



REGISTER AND FIND
OUT MORE AT
KENTCENTER.ORG



SHATTERING THE SILENCE

4-week Grief Support Group for families impacted by the death of a loved one due to OVERDOSE or SUICIDE.

TUESDAYS: OCTOBER 2, 9, 16, 23
6:30–8:30 P.M.

586 CYNWOOD DRIVE, EASTON
FREE OF CHARGE and open to the public.
Registration required, call 410-822-6681.


Talbot Hospice

For additional information contact
Becky DeMattia at 410-822-6681 or
bdemattia@talbothospice.org.

For a complete list of grief support groups VISIT [TALBOTHOSPICE.ORG](https://www.talbothospice.org)



Are you a senior who wants to "age in place," but are wondering how that might work out over time?

Are you a family member or friend of a senior, and you're wondering what their next stage might look like?

Then you'll want to come to this presentation
Kent Island Senior Center

891 Love Point Road
Stevensville, MD 21666

Friday, September 28, 2018
at 11:00 am

Grasonville Senior Center

4802 Main Street
Grasonville, MD 21638

Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at
11:00 am

Queen Anne's At Home



Call (410) 635-4045
for more info

We are a new non-profit,
home-grown here in Queen
Anne's County helping
seniors fulfill their wishes

to...

**Stay Active
Stay Healthy
Stay Safe
&**

Stay Connected At Home

**"This is the most exciting thing to happen for
Queen Anne's County
seniors in years!"**

Queen Anne's at Home is a component fund of the Mid-Shore Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization-donations to which are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law



PROVIDER ALERT

E-PREP TRAINING AND ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE UPDATE FOR OUTPATIENT FACILITIES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2018

In addition to phase 1, 1.1, and 2.1 providers, phase 2.2 providers should begin utilizing the Electronic Provider Revalidation and Enrollment Portal (ePREP) on **September 17, 2018**. ePREP is the one-stop shop for provider enrollment, re-enrollment, revalidation, information updates, and demographic changes. ePREP can be accessed at the following website <https://eprep.health.maryland.gov/sso/login.do> .

Phase 2.2 providers include:

- 1915(i) Intensive Behavioral Health Services for Children, Youth, and Families - Facilities (PT 89)
- Opioid Treatment Facilities (PT 32)
- Community Based Partial Hospitalization Programs (PT MH)
- Mental Health Case Management Providers (PT CM)
- Mobile Treatment Programs (PT MT)
- Outpatient Mental Health Clinics (PT MC)
- Psychiatric Rehab Services Facilities (PT PR)
- Substance Use Disorder Programs (PT 50)
- Supported Employment (PT SE)

Additionally, Automated Health Systems (AHS) is sponsoring a series of webinars for outpatient facilities on how to use ePREP

This ePREP webinar will teach you the basics of ePREP such as user set up, Business Profiles, application types, adding addenda, where to find addenda, signing an application and checking the status of an application.

To register, click the link below to select your session. The webinars will take place on the dates and times below.

Outpatient Facilities Registration URL:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1996437531615081730>

Sept 9/21	Friday	9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Sept 9/21	Friday	1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Sept 9/25	Tuesday	8:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Sept 9/25	Tuesday	2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Sept 9/26	Wednesday	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Sept 9/26	Wednesday	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Additional training resources that address ePREP functionality for providers and credentialers can be found at the following website

<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/ePREP.aspx>.

For additional questions, please contact [.1-844-4MD-PROV](tel:1-844-4MD-PROV)

PROVIDER ALERT

SYSTEMS AVAILABILITY – 09/21/2018

SEPTEMBER 14, 2018

Beacon Health Options ProviderConnect System will be unavailable on:
Friday, September 21, 2018 from 9:00 PM (ET) until
Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 3:00 PM (ET) for scheduled enhancements.

Clinical services will be available for consumer crisis calls and urgent provider pre-certifications via the Beacon Health Options telephone number, 1-800-888-1965.

SUD RESIDENTIAL PROVIDERS FOR LEVELS 3.5, 3.3, 3.1*

SUBMISSION WINDOW FOR AUTHORIZATIONS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

The Department recognizes during non-business hours a provider does not have all the necessary information necessary to complete an authorization for residential services. MDH has reviewed the authorization parameters for SUD residential level of care based on feedback from providers and with respect to the specific admission hours and need to promote access to this level of service. Subsequently, Beacon is authorized to adjust the submission window period for authorizations for SUD residential care levels 3.5, 3.3 and 3.1.

For admissions which occur after normal business hours, the period of time for submitting authorization requests will be extended to five (5) calendar days when necessary. This will allow 3.5, 3.3 and 3.1 level providers adequate time to collect and complete the required clinical information needed to demonstrate that the individual meets medical necessity (MNC) for the level of care requested.

In the event of a denial based on MNC, providers are at risk for that period of time under which the individual did not meet the requested level of care.

State funding is available for specialty populations when an individual does not meet MNC but is court ordered as an 8-507 or other specialty population. In these cases, please review MNC denial applicability below:

- 8-507/Title III specialty population, MNC denials do NOT apply at any residential level of care
- PWC specialty population, MNC denials do not apply to 3.7 WM through 3.3 residential providers however:
 - 3.1 level of care is subject to MNC denials and cannot bill for services when MNC is not met and the authorization is denied.
 - If a PWC individual does not meet MNC at 3.1 the denial will include recommendation for the appropriate level of care.

For questions regarding this alert, please email: marylandclinicaldept@beaconhealthoptions.com

This memo does not apply to 3.7 or 3.7WM level of care where the initial authorization period remains 7 days for 3.7WM (14 units) and 15 days for 3.7 (30 units).

* 3.1 level of care will be reimbursable under Medicaid effective 1/1/2019.

Thank you for reading!

For future submissions to our newsletter please email me directly at lpollard@midshorebehavioralhealth.org

See you next week!

As always, we hope this newsletter has encompassed useful resources from our region.

About MSBH:

“The most important core value of our organization is hope: The belief that resiliency and recovery are real provides the essential and motivating message of a better future – that people and communities can, and do, overcome the internal and external challenges, barriers, and obstacles that confront them in order to achieve wellness.”

