ACACIA NETWORK, INC.

ROOTED IN THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1969

LIFE SAVING SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS

Raul Russi, CEO
Julio Martinez (1973)
Pioneer in substance abuse services

City of the Forgotten
PIONEERS PAVE THE WAY

Addicts in Treatment: Then and now

Ensuring our voices were heard
ACACIA AT WORK

- Three Prongs of Service in the Opioid Response:
  - Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse
  - Primary Care
  - Housing
    - Supportive
    - Shelters
ACACIA REPONSE: INCREASED CAPACITY

- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse
  - Increased number of treatment slots for a total of 3,050
  - Capacity waivers approved for multiple Acacia sites
  - Methadone Specific Residential slots
  - Detoxification/Rehabilitation admissions increased
  - All ACACIA programs admit people with opioid dependence (except El Regreso)

- Primary Care
  - Specifically there are 11 providers Suboxone certified treating 800 patients
ACACIA RESPONSE: INCREASED ACCESS

- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse
  - Detox extending admissions to 11 PM
  - Residential admissions 7 days/week
  - Same day outpatient admission offered
  - Enhanced hours of operation:
    - Albany and Buffalo are open Monday-Friday hours are 6AM - 8 PM
    - Albany is open 7 days/week
Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse

- Additional prevention, educational groups
- Buffalo dispenses Suboxone
- Detox embedded health home care managers, risk stratified care planning, PCP follow-up and added vivitriol and naltrexone
- Shared care planning for Promesa/St. Barnabas high utilizers of detox to reduce readmissions
- SAMHSA grant with OASAS and Center on Substance Abuse on integrated care model with Methadone Treatment, primary care, and mental health
- Vocational counselor added to Promesa OTP
- St. Ann’s Corner of Harm Reduction, Seedco, and Promesa awarded a One City Innovation grant to conduct street engagement to provide financial resources, harm reduction activities, and open access to treatment
ACACIA REPONSE: ENHANCEMENTS

Primary Health

- Changed Provider Prescribing Patterns
- Medication Assisted Therapy program treating substance abuse in the primary care setting through a Nurse care manager model, social workers and recovery coach
- Americorp intern to augment case management
- AIMS HRSA to expand substance abuse and mental health treatment in the primary care services adding recovery coach and community health worker care coordination
- DOH capacity building program to increase substance abuse treatment in HEP C patients
- Acacia and Seedco awarded BPHC Innovation grant to add EBO in primary care to expand financial resources
ACACIA REPONSE: NARCAN TRAINING

- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse
  - Promesa OTP, Carlos Pagan Recovery Center, Alba de Vida --- certified Narcan training sites
  - Camino Nuevo, El Regreso -- pending
  - All Mental Health Staff/Peers trained
  - Narcan kits with each trained person in every facility
  - Ongoing Residential and Outpatient education – e.g. Carlos Pagan Recovery Center follow up with all clients that have experienced nonfatal OD with additional education and counseling
  - Client education increasing in frequency with staff and St. Ann’s Corner Harm Reduction trainer
ACACIA RESPONSE: NARCAN TRAINING

- **Primary Care**
  - Americorps intern to provide Narcan training
  - Applying for SAMHSA OD Prevention grant to train pharmacists, providers, and community

- **Housing**
  - 312 Staff trained
  - Narcan kits at every site
Behavioral Care/Substance Abuse
- Closely partnered with Albany District Attorney and local police to support good neighbor policy for local businesses
- Two OASAS Ant-Stigma Videos with Commissioner’s Office
- Attended AATOD Conference
- Supporting Council Behavioral Health to promote field engagement

Primary Care
- Planner and panel for CHCANYS Opioid Conference
- Providing technical assistance to Community Health Network for Suboxone

Housing
- This panel presentation at the SHNNY Conference
THE BRONX COLLECTIVE IMPACT

- Championed by Council Member Rafael Salamanca; Michael Brady, Executive Director Third Avenue BID; and Pam Mattel
- Hosted a Community Summit April 21st at Metropolitan College
- Mini-task force focused on addressing the opioid users at the Third Avenue triangle
- St. Barnabas & Montefiore Emergency Room interventions for rapid access to treatment resources
- Attend hearings on the homeless and opioid epidemic
- Completing a concept for a medical shelter to disrupt the homeless/detox cycle
- MUCH MORE TO COME!
ACACIA OPIOID RESPONSE -- SUMMARY

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MISSION

Acacia Network’s mission is to partner with communities, lead change, and promote healthy and prosperous individuals and families.
EXCELLENCE
Our focus on excellence ensures that individuals, families, and communities consistently receive quality driven care

COMMITMENT
The talented and dedicated members of the Acacia family are the foundation of our success. We go the extra mile to meet the needs and expectations of individuals, families, and our communities.

CUSTOMER SERVICE
We promote a culture that consistently exceeds customer’s expectations. We affirm the unique identity of those we serve, treating each with friendliness, dignity, respect, care and compassion.

LEADERSHIP
We nurture partnerships, inspire others, instill ownership, engender trust and provide solutions toward our common goal to lead change and provide the highest quality care.
THANK YOU

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