COLUMBIA COUNTY PATHWAYS TO RECOVERY (CCPR)

MARCH 2025 Newsletter





Stories of Impact:

This month's impact story is about a family who didn't wait for 'rock bottom' to help their loved one with their addiction

Click HERE for NPR read or listen

Also:

<u>Chantel's Story of</u>
<u>Recovery</u>

Follow <u>Don Downey</u>, an advocate of the recovery community and a riveting journalist out of Hudson, NY.

In this newsletter you can expect:

Community Updates

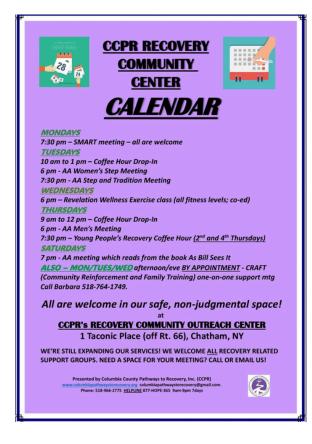
Schedule of Meetings and Events

Recovery News

List of Local Food Pantries

Resources and HELP Lines

Harm-reduction and Prevention Education Columbia County Pathways to Recovery is a <u>RCO (Recovery</u> <u>Community Organization)</u> – a grassroots group which grew out of the concern for a need for awareness, education, advocacy, and change in regard to the public health crisis of addiction.





Prevention Education







CCPR has partnered with Columbia-Greene Addiction Coalition and Columbia-Greene Youth Clubhouses to present prevention education to Columbia County Schools. So far!

We have visited:

Hudson High School, Ichabod Crane High School and Middle School, Taconic Hills High School and Middle School, Since 2025:

> Hawthorne Valley High School Upcoming Presentations: Hawthorne Valley Middle School

We teach kids how to recognize addiction, how to use coping skills and harm reduction tools through data-informed research and the personal stories of those who work in this field.

CCPR is also working on bringing Cortney Lovell, an internationally renowned speaker on the topic of substance misuse and recovery, to Columbia County School districts.

Local Recovery Resources:



To Recovery

#HopeInRecovery

NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports

Website: Click Here

Youth Voices Matter-NY
1529 Western Avenue Albany, NY
Reach out to a Youth Recovery
Program Specialist in Your Region!
Website: Click Here

Greener Pathways Mobile Outreach Columbia & Greene Counties

518-291-4500 Afterhours Hotline: (518) 822-0090 Website: Click Here

<u>Alliance</u> offers free HIV testing, mobile needle exchange, and more!



160 Fairview Ave, Hudson, NY 12534



No Judgement No Shaming No Preaching JUST LOVE!

Call if you're going to use when you're alone. An operator will ask for your first name, EXACT location, and the # you're calling from. If you stop responding after using, we will notify EMS of your location, & possible overdose.

1(877)696-1996 www.NeverUseAlone.com Naloxone Box Locations in Columbia County, NY

CLICK HERE FOR MAP

is a SAFE sharps collection program for needle and syringe disposal.

If you have used/unwanted needles, or would like a free sharps container, please visit one of the drop-off kiosk locations listed below.

Locations—Greene County

24/7 Outdoor Access unless otherwise noted

Cairo (2 locations)

CVS Pharmacy—Routes 23 & 32 and Hannaford—223 Main Street

Catskill (2 locations)

Greene County Office Building— Stairs at Water St Entrance and Greene Medical Arts Pharmacy—159 Jefferson Hts (inside: M-F 8a-5p, Sat 9a-2p, Sun closed)

Coxsackie

EmUrgent Care-11835 Route 9W

East Durham

Durham Town Hall—7309 Route 81

Greenville

Kelly's Pharmacy—4852 Route 81 (inside: M-F 9a-7p, Sat 9a-5p, Sun 9a-3p)

Tannersville

Hunter Ambulance—5740 Route 23A

Windham

Windham Pharmacy-68 Route 296

For more information, call Greene County Public Health Department (518) 719-3600

Locations—Columbia County

24/7 Outdoor Access unless otherwise noted

Livingston

Hannaford—32 NY-82

Valatie

Hannaford—2967 Route 9

Hudson Police Department— 701a Union St

For more information, call Columbia County Department of Health (518) 828-3358



Northeast Problem Gambling Resource Center

100 Great Oaks Blvd., Suite 104, Albany, NY

Providing 1:1 attention and support to those seeking assistance for a gambling problem or a friend or family member's gambling. We also raise awareness of gambling harm through agency partnership development and by offering educational training opportunities.

Phone: (518) 801-1491

Email: rfetterman@nycpg.org Click here for resource center:

Click here for further information and blog

Community Events and Meetings at CCPR:

Just need to get out of the house? Come relax, chat, and have a cup of coffee.

Need help with a resume/job searches?

Other recovery supports? Or just chill and watch a movie.

CCPR Community Center

DROP IN AND SEE WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT!

1 TACONIC PLACE (off Rte 66), CHATHAM, NY 12037

Drop in Hours:

TUESDAYS -10 am to 1 pm
THURSDAYS 9 am to noon

COLUMBIA COUNTY PATHWAYS TO RECOVERY, INC. COLUMBIAPATHWAYSTORECOVERY@GMAIL.COM@COLUMBIA_PATHWAYS_TO_RECOVERYFB-COLUMBIAPATHWAYSTORECOVERY

518-966-2775 HELPLINE 877-HOPE-365 9AM-9PM / 7 DAYS

SMART Recovery Meeting

(Self Management and Recovery Training)

Where people choose their own goals, skills and tools.

SMART Recovery is an evidenced-informed recovery method grounded in Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy (REBT) and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), that supports people with substance dependencies and mental health needs, led by trained volunteers.

Smart Recovery is a fresh approach to addiction recovery.

Mondays @ 7:30 PM

Connect with great people with refreshments in our air conditioned recovery community center!

CCPR Recovery Community Outreach Center #1 Taconic Place, Chatham, NY 12037 self-empowerir approach to overcoming addictive behavi and leading a balanced life.

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YOUNG PEOPLE IN RECOVERY

COME AS YOU ARE! Join us in the common struggle in whatever stage of recovery you might be in. Zoom option available.



One-on-one support by appointment with Barbara, at CCPR Recovery Center





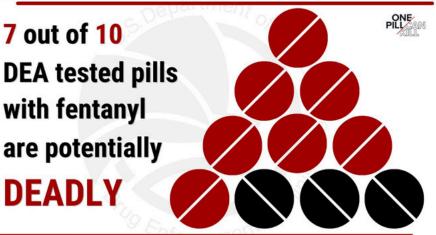
- Brain structure differences are associated with early use of substances among adolescents

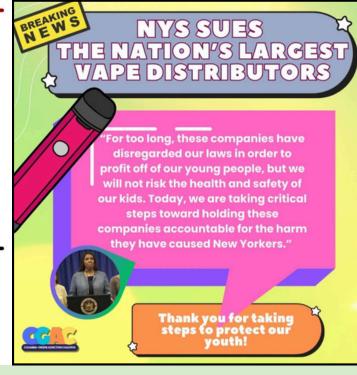
-Outcomes of Childhood Preventive Intervention

-What is medetomidine?

Columbia County Overdose Report:

-There have been 2 fatal overdoses in Columbia County within one week of each other, between February 9th and February 17th.





SOCIAL MEDIA Drug Trafficking Threat

WHAT WE KNOW

With the growth of social media and the proliferation of smartphones, a dangerous and deadly new drug threat has emerged: criminal drug networks are abusing social media to expand their reach, create new markets, and target new clientele. This includes by selling deadly fake fentanyl and methamphetamine pills, often to unsuspecting teenagers, young adults, and older Americans, who think they are buying the real thing.

No longer confined to street corners and the dark web, criminal drug networks are now in every home

and school in America because of the internet apps on our smartphones

HOW IT WORKS

ONE-STOP SHOP

Drug traffickers have turned smartphones into a one-stop shop to market, sell, buy, and deliver deadly, fake prescription pills and other dangerous drugs. In just three steps, deadly drugs can be purchased and delivered to your home just like any other good or service.

Drug traffickers advertise on social media platforms like Facebook. Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, Twitter and YouTube. These advertisements are in disappearing, 24-hour stories and in posts, advertisements are in disappearing, 24-hour stories and in posts, which are promptly posted and removed. Posts and stories are often accompanied by known code words and emojis that are used to market and sell illicit and deadly drugs on social media. These code words and emojis are designed to evade detection by law enforceme and by the preset algorithms used by social media platforms.



DID YOU KNOW...

Accidental drug overdose deaths are now the number one cause of accidental deaths in the United States (cdc.gov/drugoverdose).

More people misuse prescription opioids than use heroin, cocaine, metham phetam ine, and hallucinogens..COMBINED!

The United States makes up 5% of the world's population, yet consumes 99% of prescribed hydrocodone worldwide.

JANUARY 2022 #ONEPILLCANKILL dea.gov/onepill

Harm Reduction



CONTACT US FOR FREE MEDICATION LOCK BAGS



518.303-3665 INFO@C-GAC.ORG WWW.C-GAC.ORG



OVERDOSE DEATHS ARE DECREASING. HEALTH & HARM REDUCTION PLAY A BIG ROLE.

Please consider donating to our cause. As the only Recovery Community Organization in Columbia County, we hope to continue serving the community through 2025.



for free Narcan!
Equip yourself and your loved ones with life-saving opioid reversal medication.





New Narcotics Anonymous Meeting



No Matter What Group

40 Woodland Ave Catskill, NY (Rear of building)
Every Wednesday 7:00-8:15 (Open meeting)

Just for Today

Candlelight • Coffee

"Better Together"

A new in-person Al-Anon meeting in Chatham Village!



When: Thursday mornings from 9-10a.m. weekly
Where: Colbert house (of St. James Church) at 129 Hudson Ave.
Chatham, NY 12037. *Enter through the rear entrance.*

Al-Anon is a 12 Step program of recovery and support for family and friends of people with alcohol (or substance abuse) problems. All are welcome!

For more information, call or text Steve M. @310-433-5192





JOIN US!

Navigating the world of sobriety and recovery as a Mom can be SO hard--you are not alone!

oin us every Thursday for connect

Register today! tinyurl.com/safemoms









CCPR and CGAC will be speaking on this panel!

MARCH 1 • BIG DAY OUT • DUTCHESS COUNTY HIGHPOINT BRACE MOUNTAIN • QUARRY HILL RD MILLERTON 12546 • 3.6 MI/1,509' VG

MARCH 15 • BURGER HILL PRESERVE NY-RT 9G RHINEBECK 12572

APRIL 19 • NYQUIST-HARCOURT WILDLIFE SANCTUARY 133 HUGUENOT ST NEW PALTZ 12561

MAY 17 • 4TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT HOWE CAVERNS (EMAIL TO RESERVE SPACE)

JUNE 1 • BIG DAY OUT • GREENE COUNTY HIGHPOINT HUNTER MOUNTAIN • 6.8MI/1,971' VG

JUNE 21 • ESOPUS MEADOWS PRESERVE (LITTER CLEAN UP ALONG THE TRAILS) 255 RIVER RD. ULSTER PARK 12487

JULY 19 • INNAKE NATURE PRESERVE 9 VAN DAM RD HYDE PARK 12538

AUGUST 15-17 • 2ND ANNUAL CAMPOUT 907 LIVINGSTON RD ELIZAVILLE 12523 (EMAIL FOR DETAILS)

SEPTEMBER 20 • HEMLOCK RIDGE LEWIS LN PLATTEKILL 12589

SEPTEMBER 21 • BIG DAY OUT • COLUMBIA COUNTY HIGHPOINT HARVEY MOUNTAIN • 521 E. HILL RD AUSTERLITZ 12017 • 4.3MI/925' VG

OCTOBER 18 • BUTTERCUP FARM AUDUBON SANCTUARY STISSING LN STANFORD 12581

NOVEMBER 23 • FIRE TOWER TRADITION • STISSING MOUNTAIN 499 LAKE RD PINE PLAINS 12567

NOVEMBER 24 • BIG DAY OUT • ULSTER COUNTY HIGHPOINT SLIDE MOUNTAIN • 1991 OLIVEREA RD BIG INDIAN 12410 • 5.3MI/1,781' VG

DECEMBER 21 • ISRAEL WHITMAN SANCTUARY OLD MILL RD SAUGERTIES 12477

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEND AN EMAIL TO RECOVERYHIKENY@GMAIL.COM OR GO TO:



HOSTED BY ASSEMBLYMAN SCOTT BENDETT



Scott

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NYS ASSEMBLY

April 10th 5 p.m.

Chatham High School
50 Woodbridge Ave.
Chatham, NY 12037





What is ITC?

The Invitation to Change Approach (ITC) is a holistic helping framework based in science and kindness, designed for the families and loved ones of people struggling with substance use, as well as the professionals who support them.

Our trainings and materials invite you to reflect on what it means to help, reimagine the role that loved ones can play in the change process, and learn evidence-supported strategies for helping.

Invitation To Change (ITC)

New free drop-in group for residents of New York State is starting next week! It meets on Tuesday evenings, from 6-8:30 pm ET, and starts on February 4th.

The group is drop-in and will run throughout the year, so if you can't make it this week, we hope you will come by for a future meeting! It provides an overview of the ITC in four sessions, and continually cycles through these sessions, with attendees welcome to join at any point.

-Support and strategies for anyone helping a person who uses substance

To get the zoom link and reminders for this and future sessions of the group, register here:



New Round Starting: ITC Drop-In Group

A new round of our free ITC drop-in group for families is about to start! Join us next Tuesday, March 4th, as we start from the top of our 4-week ITC curriculum.

The group provides an overview of the ITC in four sessions, and continually cycles through these sessions, with attendees welcome to join at any point. So if you can't make it on March 4th, you can join a later session and know that we will soon loop back around to session 1 for you to cover anything you missed!

This group meets every Tuesday from 6:30 - 8 pm ET.

In this support and skills group, participants will use the Invitation to Change Approach (ITC) to reflect on what it means to help, reimagine the role that loved ones can play in the change process, and learn evidence-supported strategies for helping a loved one struggling with addiction.

REGISTER FOR ITC GROUP HERE

Support and Strategies for anyone helping a person who uses substances

FREE Group in Hudson and on Zoom

Thursdays 6:00 - 7:30 pm Starting Jan 9th 2025 Clubhouse of MHACG 47 North 5th St Hudson, NY 12534

This is an ongoing, drop-in anytime, peer supported, facilitated group - come check it out!

Invitation to Change

A different approach to addiction

- · Learn tools for helping
- · Deepen understanding about substance use
- · Strengthen relationships and communication

For more about ITC visit cmcffc.org or contact Jaime Cooper at bitcgroup@gmail.com



SCAN OR CLICK HERE TO
LEARN MORE AND
REGISTER!









ITC Website Link





ADDRESSING VAPING, DRUGS & ALCOHOL IN THE DIGITAL AGE



FAIVILY MOVIE NIGHT

Bring your teens & tweens for this free showing!

The film highlights the changing landscape of substance use, offering solutions for how we can best empower teens as they face decisions about what they will and will not be influenced by.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 19TH FROM 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Hudson Valley Community College (Bulmer Telecommunications Center Auditorium) 80 Vandenburgh Ave, Troy, NY 12180

Proudly offered by Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health & The Prevention Services Team



QUEER AND TRANS CRAFT NIGHT!

A SUBSTANCE FREE SAFE SPACE

BRING YOUR OWN PROJECT TO WORK ON IN COMMUNITY

BRING AN OPEN HEART AND CRAFT SUPPLIES WILL BE PROVIDED

When: Weekly on Tuesdays from 6-8
Where: ArdLife717 Callery, 717
Columbia Street, Hudson

or join us virtually -

THERE WILL BE FREE TEA, SNACKS
AND HARM REDUCTION SUPPLIES





for more info contact t.borisschacter@c-gac.org





REGISTER AT WWW.OAKDALEPLUNGE.COM

Youth Resources

Local Youth Clubhouses

Mental Health Associations of Columbia-Greene County (MHACG)

Hudson, NY Youth Clubhouse 47 North 5th Street Hudson, NY 12534



Catskill, NY Youth Clubhouse
455 Main St
Catskill, NY 12414
(518) 491-2432

Facebook Link Website Link Clubhouse Radio:

Catskill teens share music and stories
Click Here for Website



 Family Resource Centers of Columbia County

Click the link for local resources for toddlers and young infants.



• <u>Twin County Recovery</u> Services:

Counseling for those 5 years and older for those at risk of developing substance use disorder or problem gambling.





Course Course

Hand in Hand: Supporting Children and Families Impacted by Parental Addiction

Parental Addiction

An interactive course designed to support providers working with children and families impacted by parental addiction and substance use disorder.

Register for all Webinars HERE Click HERE for link to Hand in Hand FREE Course



Mobile Crisis Assessm

If you are in crisis, seek help now

Support is available 24/7

Mobile Crisis Team (MCAT)

518.943.5555

Note: MCAT hours are not 24/7 but your call will be answered and responded to the following morning.

988 Lifeline - Text or Call

988



NYS Initiatives



ALLIANCE LEGISLATIVE DAY MARCH 4TH, 2024





Join Us to Fight for Mental Health in Albany!

STAND WITH HUNDREDS OF ADVOCATES TO DEMAND INVESTMENTS IN MENTAL HEALTH AGENCIES. HOUSING, AND EXPANDED VOLUNTARY SERVICES! TOGETHER, WE'LL FIGHT AGAINST FORCED TREATMENT EXPANSION AND PUSH FOR REAL, PERSON-CENTERED SOLUTIONS. YOUR VOICE MATTERS—BE PART OF THE MOVEMENT FOR CHANGE! SCAN THE QR TO SIGN UP!

> Contact: Luke Sikinyi LukeS@rightsandrecovery.org

Alliance for Rights and Recovery 28th Annual Legislative Day Program Hart Auditorium at The Egg, Albany, NY March 4, 2025

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

9:30 am Reception, Breakfast 10:00 am Welcome:

Outside Hart Auditorium, The Egg at Empire State Plaza Jeff McQueen, Judy Dubois Alliance Board Co-Chairs, Harvey Rosenthal CEO

2025-2026 Public Policy Priorities Presentations

Presentations
Glenn Liebrman, MHANYS
Horvey Rosenthal, Alliance
Harvey Rosenthal, Alliance
Harvey Rosenthal, Alliance
Tains Laing and Modupe Mujota, Baltic Street Wellness Solutions
Christina Sparrock, Ruth Lowenkron, Daniel's Law Coalition
Helen 'Skip' Skipper, NYC Justice Peer Initiative
Taina Laing and Modupe Mujota, Baltic Street Wellness Solutions
Blaise Sackert, Hudson Valley Clubhouse
Doug Cooper, Association for Community Living

11:15 Featured Speakers

Dr. Ann Sullivan, Commissioner, NYS Office of Mental Health
Assembly Member Michelle Solages (invited)
NYS Assembly
Senator Natalia Fernandez (invited)
NYS Senate

11:45 AM

MEET WITH YOUR LEGISLATORS/STAFF 12:30 PM

2:00 pm-2:30 pm CAPITAL RALLY FOR 7.8% RATE ENHANCEMENT! War Room 2nd floor NYS Capital

RECONVENE AT BUSES and RETURN HOME 4:00 pm

THANK YOU?





2025

A tradition for nearly three decades. Across New York State, advocates visit Albany to learn about mental health policy and engage legislators.



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March 12, 2025

Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY mhanys.org/mental-health-matters-day









Download Free **Informational Booklet on Fentanyl**

Columbia County Food Pantries:

Food Pantries near Chatham, NY

Tracy Memorial Village Silent Food Pantry.

Tracy Memorial Village Hall Basement (enter through back door) 77 Main Street Chatham, NY 12037

MONDAYS: 10:00-12:00noon TUESDAYS: 10:00-12:00noon CLOSED WEDNESDAYS THURSDAYS: 4:00-6:00pm FRIDAYS: 10:00-12:00noon

518-392-7794 chathamsilentpantry@gmail.com

• Ghent, NY Food Pantry

Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00am - 12:00pm For more information, please call (518) 392-4644 2306 NY-66, Ghent, NY 12037

Seventh-day Adventist church food pantry

Drive-thru Hours: Saturday May 15, August 21, November 20 2:00 pm to 4;00 pm First-come first-serve basis. For more information, please call, (518) 784-4400, for details or questions or just stop by.

Mellenville-Philmont Food Pantry at Claverack Town Hall

Food Pantry Distribution Hours: Tuesdays 10:30am - 11:30am and 5:30pm - 6:30pm (518) 672-7911

Food Pantries in Hudson, NY

- Oclumbia Opportunities Food Pantry & Emergency Assistance (Please call ahead for an appointment) (518) 828-4611 540 Columbia Street, Hudson, NY, 12534
- Rock Solid Church Food Pantry 2nd and 4th Friday of the month from 10-12 noon, adding 1st and 3rd Thursday from 4-5pm Pre-packaged groceries (518) 828-2444 334 Union St., Hudson, NY 12534
- Salvation Army Food Pantry Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8am-10am. Pre-packed groceries Pre-packaged groceries. Monday -Friday, 11:30-12:30 (518) 822-1602 40 S. Third St., Hudson, NY 12534
- St. Mark's Lutheran Food Pantry Mon and Thurs, 9-12 noon Pre-packed bags of groceries going forward (518) 822-1688 200 Fairview Ave., Hudson, NY 12534
- Time & Space Limited 5:30 PM comfort food suppers for pick-up or delivery \$5, or pay what you can Order ahead of time: (518) 822-8100 or jeff@timeandspace.org 434 Columbia St., Hudson, NY 12534
- Zion Community Food Pantry 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 5:30pm 6:30pm, and 1st and 4th Friday of the month from noon to 1pm. They offer grocery bag delivery to Providence Hall on 3rd Tuesday; available to 70+, and handicapped. Please sign up on the sheet in Providence Hall (518) 610-1980 Bliss Towers; 41 N. Second St., Hudson, NY 12534
- Our Community Cares is an organization that provides emotional and financial support to residents of Columbia County who are experiencing hardships.

Click here for website

We would like to express our gratitude to all of our donors, contributors and volunteers who have continued to support us. Your generosity and dedication has allowed Columbia County Pathways to Recovery to continue its programs and meetings, offering help and resources to our loved community.

2025 Grants:

OASAS—grant through NYS **SENATOR MICHELE** HINCHEY; Local Impact Initiative grant SAMHSA—Community Talks Berkshire Taconic Foundation—Fund for Columbia County and Technology grants Coon Self Storage The Ackerman Foundation Ghent Reformed Church Community Bank NA Clara Gott Incentive Fund The Greene County Bank Northern Columbia Lions Club Rotary Club of Northern Columbia

2024 Individual Donors:

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Framarin family
Callander's Nursery





CALLING ALL SUPPORT MEETINGS!!





WE'D LOVE TO HOST YOUR SUPPORT MEETING!

We welcome <u>ALL</u> recovery-related support groups: substance use; 12step and non 12-step; mental health and wellness; codependence; gambling and overeaters; family support, etc.

CCPR's Recovery Community Outreach Center is here to demonstrate hope and help in sustaining long term recovery by providing a meeting location, peer-led and peer-driven mutual support groups; sober social and recreational activities, and connections to area services... all in a beautiful, air conditioned, judgment-free, safe space.

PLEASE START OR BRING <u>YOUR</u> MEETINGS TO OUR RECOVERY COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER!

1 Taconic Place, Chatham, NY

Call 518-966-2775 or email columbia pathways to recovery @gmail.com

COLUMBIA COUNTY PATHWAYS TO RECOVERY

(518) 966-2775

New Website coming soon!
<u>Facebook</u>: CCPR's Main Page
<u>Facebook</u>: Community Outreach Center
CCPR's <u>Instagram</u>:

Address: #1 Taconic Place, Rt 66

Chatham, NY 12037

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 486, Ghent, NY 12075