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QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

MISSION

To bridge the gaps between the behavioral health system and emergency medical care by engaging first responders in identification, treatment, and referral for substance use disorders

UP EMS Conference

Emergency medical technicians from all over the state will be on Northern Michigan University's campus in Marquette for the 41th annual **UP EMS Conference** from October 6 through October 9.

The conference is Michigan's most comprehensive educational program for rural emergency responders and typically has 300+ EMS professionals. Classes and hands-on training will include pediatrics, wilderness emergencies, and more. Visit uphealthsystem.com for info.

Free Print Materials

Dial Help is now offering free print materials shipped directly to you on their website. Get crisis line cards or magnets, resource cards, and more. Visit dialhelp.org/order for info.

Recovery Housing

As part of their Rebuilding HOPE expansion project, Great Lakes Recovery Centers (GLRC) is opening a recovery house for women in Sault Ste. Marie. Anne's House (named in memory of a former GLRC employee) will provide a safe and supportive environment for women taking the next step in their recovery journeys. Residents can bring their children (up to age 11) to live with them. Recovery Housing requires residents to engage in outpatient and case management services, attend at least four self-help group meetings weekly, and follow other house rules.

GLRC anticipates a late July/early August opening. Applications available online at greatlakesrecovery.org/recoveryhousing.

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Consortium & Partners



Outcomes from Beyond the Scene EMS Conference

Beyond the Scene: Behavioral Health Discussions for First Responders Conference was held on June 13 and 14 at the Island Resort & Casino in Harris, MI. The conference had 45 attendees and included national speakers such as David Woods Bartley, Daniel Sundahl, Jennifer Cramer, and Randal Goodwin. We thank all the first responders who took time out of their busy schedules to learn more about mental health and addiction.



Above: Speakers Jennifer Cramer from the Firefighter Behavioral Health Alliance and Daniel Sundahl



Above: Speaker David Woods-Bartley

Affected Others Program

Dial Help will again be offering services and connection to resources for loved ones of those with Substance Use Disorder, commonly referred to as "affected others." The program is headed by Kim Green, a licensed SUD Counselor. To request services, contact Dial Help's crisis line (see last page), or email Kim at kigreen@dialhelp.org.

There are also resources for affected others at our sister site, 906face.com.

Coming Soon

Mental Health First Aid for Fire and EMS

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for Fire and EMS is a training that focuses on the unique experiences and needs of firefighters and EMS personnel. It's a valuable resource that can make a difference in their lives, their families' lives, and the communities in which they live. Learn about the importance of early intervention and how, as first responders, you can intervene in the field and provide direct assistance to someone who is experiencing a mental health challenge or crisis. If you would like to hold a training for your agency, please reach out to us at beyondthesave.org.

Events of Interest

Multiple Dates: Naloxone Training Session

Families Against Narcotics offers FREE naloxone training sessions for community members interested in learning how to properly administer the medication. Each attendee will receive a FREE naloxone kit

To Register: www.familiesagainstnarcotics.org/naloxone

August 6: Preventing Opioid Overdose: Evidence-Based Strategies for Country Folks Webinar

This webinar will present audiences with a brief summary of current scientific evidence and available best practices for preventing opioid overdose, with special attention to the strengths and needs unique to most rural areas.

Register Here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_J88qali5QqewfsHU6ALw

August 17: Michigan Opioid Collaborative UP Roundtable

Please join the Michigan Opioid Collaborative monthly Upper Peninsula Roundtable. August's topic will be Polysubstance Use During Buprenorphine Treatment.

Register Here: <https://michiganopioidcollaborative.org/event/upper-peninsula-monthly-roundtable-polysubstance-use-during-buprenorphine-treatment/>



Facebook Page
[@BeyondtheSave](https://www.facebook.com/BeyondtheSave)

View upcoming events and trainings at
www.beyondthesave.org/events

Contact Consortium Members



Crisis center serving the Upper Peninsula

www.dialhelp.org

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24/7 Crisis Line

Call 482-HELP

Text 35NEEDS



Substance abuse and mental health treatment for youth, families, and adults in 11 UP communities

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Supervises & coordinates EMS by geographic region

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-73970_5093_28508-132260--,00.html

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Supporting EMS professionals and EMS agencies that provide prehospital care in rural Michigan

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Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan for the Upper Peninsula

www.northcarenetwork.org

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