

MECKLENBURG COUNTY Area Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services August 13, 2010

PROVIDER HOT SHEET

⇒ Please note: in lieu of this quarter's Provider InfoShare, the LME is hosting a special event on Wednesday, August 18, 2010 from 9:00 to noon in the Friendship Hall at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 1000 E. Morehead Street in Charlotte.

Attendance will be **limited to agency Directors**; it is important that an Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer or an individual in a leadership role represent their agency at this event.

The Mecklenburg LME is pleased to announce that John F. Talbot, Ph.D. of Open Minds will be the featured speaker on August 18th. He will be presenting information on 1915 (b) and (c) Medicaid Waivers and what this means for providers as they prepare to operate within a waiver environment. This information session will focus on understanding waivers and their implications for service delivery, administrative infrastructure required to operate in a waiver environment, and developing a strategy to prepare for operating in a waiver environment, including projected financial impact, service system restructuring needs and administrative support requirements.

Dr. Talbot has over 30 years experience in all aspects of health care, including senior management, consultation, education, and direct clinical work. Dr. Talbot has provided consultation, training and operational assistance to behavioral health providers, nonprofit organizations, and managed care organizations across the country. Areas of focus for consultation and training include strategic planning, the development of successful strategic alliances, board development, organizational reengineering, operations management, management and leadership development, and change management.

- ⇒ Incident Response Improvement System (IRIS) Tips for Success: Thanks again to all IRIS users for your patience and suggestions. For your convenience, we will be including IRIS Tips in the Provider Hot Sheet, as needed. This week's tips:
 - Supervisors have two options under the "Incident Submission" tab of the "Supervisor Actions" section. If
 the "Save" button is chosen, the incident will save only, but will not be submitted. If the "Submit" button is
 chosen, the incident will both save and submit. Please make sure that your final step is to submit your
 incident to the IRIS system. (Note: These buttons may be titled more accurately in the near future.)
 - Always remember to fill out the Consumer Information/Services Tab. List the services that the individual is receiving from *your* agency. You do not need to include services provided by other agencies.
- ⇒ NC-TOPPS training will be held August 18, 2010 from 9 11 AM at Watkins Center, 3500 Ellington Street in the Computer Lab. We have 10 spaces available. If you or your staff need training, a refresher or have questions concerning NC-TOPPS Interviews, please e-mail LME-NCTOPPS@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov to confirm a space. Space is limited so please only send one or two representatives from your agency. Please remember to bring a light jacket or sweater when attending these sessions.
- ⇒ Charlotte-Mecklenburg School Intervention Teams The first day of school for Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools is August 25th. If you have clients who were hospitalized or in day treatment at the close of the 2009-2010 school year or during the summer, please contact the appropriate Intervention Team Specialist as soon as possible. The Specialist will work with your CFT and the school to put appropriate supports in place to aid in transitioning the student back to school. Please refer to the attached school zone and IT Specialist assignment lists to determine whom to contact. List of School Zones attached.

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IT Specialist Zone Assignments & Contact Info 2010 - 2011

School Zone	IT Specialist	
Southwest Zone:	Carrie Sargent carrie.sargent@cms.k12.nc.us	
Dr. Monique Witherspoon	Office: 980 343 1463	
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Scott Muri	Delores Desk: 980 344 7103	
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	Agatha Desk: 980 344 7105	
	Office: 980 344-7100	
East Zone:	Cotrane Penn cotrane.penn@cms.k12.nc.us	
Joel Ritchie	Office: 980 343 1461	
	Desk: 980 344 0414	
Central Elementary Zone:	Kevin Ligon Kevind.ligon@cms.k12.nc.us	
Tyler Ream	Office: 980 344 7130	
	Desk: 980 344 7143	
Central Secondary Zone:	Wanda Jones wanda.jones@cms.k12.nc.us	
Denise Watts	Office: 980 344 7160	
	Desk: 980 344 7168	

⇒ Implementation Update #77

- TCM for IDD
- Update on MH/SA TCM
- CABHA Monitoring
- CABHA Enrollment Workshop
- PA for Medicaid Funded Services in Durham & Eastpointe LMEs
- AMHC Authorization Changes to ECBH
- Update on New PA guidelines for Outpatient
- NC START Annual Report
- Income and Family Size Information
- MOA Update
- NEA Letter Update

<u>Attachment 1</u> TCM | <u>Attachment 2</u> CABHA | <u>Attachment 3</u> Define Family Income | <u>Attachment 4</u> Notification of Endorsement

Employee Reference Checks This a reminder that providers are required to conduct reference checks on all employees <u>prior</u> to hire. Reference checks should consist of verifying the employee's experience to determine if it meets the requirements of the position. Providers should have documentation of the reference checks readily available during monitoring reviews and audits. One example of documentation <u>could</u> consist of notes that experience was verified through a phone call to a former employer or supervisor. It is strongly recommended that providers use the following resources prior to hiring an employee to help determine if staff have the appropriate qualifications and experience to support the individuals they will serve: North Carolina Administrative Code 10A NCAC 27G .0101, .0202 through .0204,

CABHA Enrollment/Authorization/Billing Seminars Enrollment/Authorization/Billing seminars for CABHAs are scheduled for August 2010 at the sites listed below. Information presented at the seminars is applicable to all providers who have been certified as a CABHA or are in the process of certification. Materials will be provided at the training though you are encouraged to review Implementation Updates #73,#75, #76, and #77 in preparation.

Pre-registration is required. Due to limited seating, registration is limited to two staff members per office.

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Unregistered providers are welcome to attend if space is available.

Providers may register for the seminars by completing and submitting the online registration form (http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/provider/seminars.htm) or providers may register by fax using the form attached (fax it to the number listed on the form). Please indicate the session you plan to attend on the registration form. Sessions will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 12:00 noon. Providers are encouraged to arrive by 8:45 a.m. to complete registration. Lunch will not be provided at the seminars. **Because meeting room temperatures vary, dressing in layers is strongly advised.**

Date	Location
August 17, 2010	Eastern Region Southeastern Regional LME 450 Country Club Road Lumberton NC 28360
August 24, 2010	Western Region Pathways LME 901 South New Hope Road Gastonia NC 28054
August 31, 2010	Central Region Wake Commons Conference Room 100A 4011 Carya Drive Raleigh NC 27610

In addition, on-site provider visits will be provided by HP Enterprise Services upon request.

Medicaid enrollment questions may be directed to CSC at 1-866-844-1113.

Introductory Training in Motivational Interviewing (MI) The Behavioral Healthcare Institute (BHI), at the UNC Chapel Hill School of Social Work, is currently offering introductory training in Motivational Interviewing (MI).

Below you will find the Web address for BHI. Please click under "Face-to-Face Trainings" and then click through to view the listings by date of all of the trainings currently offered. Registration is done online from these links by the registrants individually. Please check back at the BHI site from time to time as new seats and trainings may be added.

If you have any technical problems or questions, please e-mail James Coley, Registrar at <u>jc@unc.edu</u> or call at 919-843-3018. http://www.behavioralhealthcareinstitute.org

- ⇒ Elements of a Functional First Responder System The Mecklenburg County Consumer and Family Advisory Committee (CFAC) and LME consider the following elements to constitute a Functional First Responder System (FFRS):
 - The provider has a 911 prompt for medical crisis on their voicemail system.
 - The provider has a prompt that provides a phone or pager number for assistance with "urgent" or "crisis" needs that cannot wait until the next business day (this number should connect to a person and not another telephone number or voicemail.)
 - If crisis number contacts a pager, the message explains briefly what the caller will hear and how to respond.
 - If the caller does not reach a live person, the voicemail message gives the caller a wait time of no more than 15 minutes to expect a return call.
 - If the caller does not reach a live person, the call is returned within 15 minutes.

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All providers of enhanced Medicaid services that are required to serve as First Responders should ensure that these elements are included in their First Responder System. The LME and representatives from CFAC will periodically test providers through Mock Calls to measure compliance with these requirements.

⇒ Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Survey Please take a moment to fill out the annual LEP survey. This will help us identify which agencies and providers have the capacity to offer services in languages other than English. Information from this survey will help MeckLINK facilitate referrals of individuals and families whose primary language is not English to providers that can effectively communicate with them. The deadline is August, 13th.

http://checkbox.co.mecklenburg.nc.us/Survey.aspx?s=280c8db3a3dd48d1be07c19dbeb7232a&u=537dce7f-4c45-45ed-8cb1-beff5a28d886&TestMode=true&ForceNew=true

- ⇒ MeckCARES Enrollment Request To ensure a streamlined application process into MeckCARES the Request for Application has been updated with additional fields and a type-in format (REVISED 7/21/2010 OFM). It is now accompanied by a cover letter providing instructions and answers to some frequently asked questions about consumer eligibility criteria, provider eligibility criteria and an overview of the process for enrollment. Effective immediately providers will be required to use the new forms to submit their requests. These forms can also be accessed on the AMH website at http://charmeck.org/mecklenburg/county/AreaMentalHealth/ForProviders/Pages/ProviderDocuments.aspx. under Category: MeckCARES. Please submit enrollment forms to Francesca Morgan, Enrollment Coordinator @ Fax# 704-280-8806.
- ⇒ Reminder: Required Out of County Placement Notification for Child and Adolescent Consumers
 Per North Carolina Administrative Rule 10A NCAC 27G .0506 a Notification of Out of County Placement form
 must be completed by the clinical home and sent to the LME prior to placing a Child or Adolescent consumer
 out of county. This only applies to mental health, substance abuse or developmental disability
 placement that is funded by Medicaid, State or County funds. The Notification of Out of County
 Placement form is attached along with an "Example" for providers to use as a guide when completing the
 form. These forms can also be accessed on the AMH website at
 http://charmeck.org/mecklenburg/county/AreaMentalHealth/ForProviders/Pages/ProviderDocuments.aspx
 under Category: Authorization and Utilization Management.

Completed forms should be faxed to: Angie Jackson, Provider Relations Manager, Fax (704) 336-5661

- ⇒ CAP-MR/DD 2008 Waiver Manuals are now available online.
 - Comprehensive Waiver Manual: http://www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/cap-mrdd/update/cap-compmanual7-10.pdf
 - Supports Waiver Manual:
 http://www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/cap-mrdd/update/cap-supportsmanual7-10.pdf
- ⇒ RecoveryNC Festival 2010 Celebrates Recovery from Drug and Alcohol Addiction on August 21, 2010 in Greensboro, NC at the Multicultural Center. There will be two buses funded by SAMSHA to transport 114 individuals wanting to attend, but lacking transportation. Please contact Tracy Klucina at 704-591-2026 or email Tracy.Klucina@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov for more details. Please see attached memo and flyer for additional information.

PROVIDER COUNCIL REMINDERS AND UPDATES

⇒ **Provider Council Minutes** for the Executive Board, General Membership and Committees are published and available on-line at the following website:

http://charmeck.org/MECKLENBURG/COUNTY/AREAMENTALHEALTH/FORPROVIDERS/Pages/MPCouncil.aspx

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- ⇒ **Provider Council Sub-Committees** Three standing subcommittees have been formed by the Provider Council. If you are interested or want more information, please contact the committee chairs. The three committees are:
 - Training and Development Committee Trasha Black (Co-Chair), Genesis Project, tblack@genesisproject1.org, 704-596-0505
 - Angela R. Simmons (Co-Chair), The Right Choice MWM, 704-537-3650 x1105, angela@trcmwm.com.
 - > The next scheduled meeting is **Wednesday**, **September 15**, **2010 at 9 AM** in the Carlton Watkins Center Multipurpose room.
 - Provider Relations Sub-Committee
 - Kira Wilson (Co-Chair), The Arc of NC, 704-568-0112, kwilson@arcnc.org
 - Tim R. Holland (Co-chair) Person Centered Partnerships, 704-319-7609, <u>Tim.Holland@pcpartnerships.org</u>
 - >The Provider Relations Committee will meet on **Wednesday**, **September 15**, **2010 at 12:00 PM** to 1:30 PM in the Carlton Watkins Center Multipurpose room.
 - Provider Outreach Sub-Committee The Provider Outreach Committee is a new sub-committee, the
 general purpose of which is to establish mechanisms for the Provider Council to connect with new
 providers, to provide them basic resource information and to introduce them to the Provider Council.
 - Frankie Tack (Co-Chair), Anuvia Prevention and Recovery Center, Inc., 704-927-8789, frankie.tack@anuvia.org.
 - Miranda Little (Co-Chair), Family Preservation, Inc., 704-344-0491, Mlittle@fpscorp.com
 The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 1:30 PM in the Carlton Watkins Center Multipurpose Room.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

- ⇒ **NC Child Treatment Program** will be offering a 2010-2011 Learning Collaborative in Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) for 10 teams* of therapists. This is a great opportunity, as the model is effective for kids who have experienced trauma (DV, abuse, neglect, traumatic grief), and the training is highly subsidized by state DSS (and, therefore, inexpensive). The deadline for receipt of completed application through email is **5:00 PM August 20, 2010.** For more information, please contact Dr. Hagele at 919/260-1454.
- ⇒ Mecklenburg's PROMISE Recovery and Crisis Training Calendar. Please feel free to print and post at your locations or pass it on to anyone you feel would benefit from our trainings. To register, go to www.meckpromise.com. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at (704) 525-4398, ext. 207. http://www.meckpromise.com/node/43
- ⇒ The Mecklenburg County Provider Council has developed a comprehensive Training Calendar designed to serve as a one-stop location to view training events occurring in Mecklenburg County that are supported or sponsored by the provider community, the LME, AHEC or other entities. Following is a link to submit training events: http://www.meckpromise.com/node/75. To view training events, click on the following link: http://www.meckpromise.com/mptc
- ⇒ The LME Monthly AMH Training Calendar is posted on-line at the following link: http://charmeck.org/mecklenburg/county/AreaMentalHealth/ForProviders/Pages/ProviderTraining.aspx
- ⇒ TIP Training in Innovation and Practice The NC Council of Community Programs and the Administrative Services Organization, a group of providers, continue to offer training to help providers adapt to changing circumstances. For a list of currently scheduled training events and to register, go to www.nc-council.org.

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WEB RESOURCES

- NC DIVISION OF MH/DD/SAS: http://www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/
- MECKLENBURG AMH: http://mecklink.charmeck.org
- AMH BEST PRACTICES COMMITTEES AND SCHEDULE: http://charmeck.org/mecklenburg/county/AreaMentalHealth/ForProviders/Pages/BestPracticeTeams.aspx
- HOT SHEET ARCHIVE: http://charmeck.org/MECKLENBURG/COUNTY/AREAMENTALHEALTH/FORPROVIDERS/Pages/HotSheets. aspx

CMS Zone Schools List

Scott Muri	Joel Ritchie	Monique Gardner- Witherspoon
UNortheast (39)	East (30)	Southwest (40)
High School	High School	High School
Hopewell	Butler	Ardrey Kell
Hough	Cato Middle College	Berry
Mallard Creek	East Mecklenburg	Harding
Military & Global Leadership at Marie G. Davis	Garinger (New Technology)	Myers Park
North Mecklenburg	Independence	Olympic Community of Schools (5) Biotech, Health& Public Admin Intl Business & Comm. Studies Intl Studies & Global Econ Math, Eng., Tech. & Science Renaissance School
NWSA	Rocky River	South Mecklenburg
Vance	Performance Learning Center	West Mecklenburg HS
West Charlotte	Providence	
		
Middle and Elementary	Middle and Elementary	Middle and Elementary
J.M Alexander	Bain ES	Ballantyne ES
Bailey MS	Chantilly Montessori	Berewick ES
Barnette ES	Clear Creek ES	Beverly Woods ES
Barringer ES	Crestdale MS	Carmel MS
Blythe ES	Crown Point ES	Collinswood ES
Bradley MS	Elizabeth Lane ES	Community House MS
Coulwood MS	Elizabeth Traditional ES	Cotswold ES
Cornelius ES	Highland Mill Montessori ES	Dilworth ES
David Cox ES	Lansdowne ES	Eastover ES
Croft Community School	Lebanon Road ES	Elon Park ES
Davidson ES	Matthews ES	Endhaven ES
Davidson IB MS	McAlpine ES	A.G. Middle
First Ward Performing Arts ES	McKee Road ES	Hawk Ridge ES
Highland Creek ES	Mint Hill MS	Kennedy MS
Huntersville ES	Myers Park Traditional ES	Lake Wylie ES
Long Creek ES	Northeast MS	Oaklawn Language ES
Mallard Creek ES	Oakhurst ES	Olde Providence ES
James Martin MS	Park Road Montessori ES	Pineville ES
Morehead ES	Providence Spring ES	Polo Ridge ES
Mountain Island ES	Randolph IB MS	Quail Hollow MS
Pawtuckett ES	Reedy Creek ES	River Gate ES
Piedmont MS	Robinson MS	Selwyn ES
Ridge Road MS		Sharon ES
River Oaks ES		Smith Academy
Stoney Creek ES		Smithfield ES
Torrence Creek ES		South Charlotte MS
University Meadows ES		Southwest MS
Villa Heights ES		Steele Creek ES
Washam ES	<u> </u>	Winget Park ES
Winding Springs ES	-	Winget Lair Lo

Tyler Ream	Curtis Carroll	
Central-Elementary (44)	Central-Secondary (20)	
Elementary School	Middle School	High School
Albemarle Road ES	Albemarle Road MS	Hawthorne HS
Nathaniel Alexander ES	Cochrane MS	Leadership & Public Service at Garinger
Allenbrook ES	Eastway MS	Math & Science at Garinger
Ashley Park ES	Martin Luther King MS	Business & Finance at Garinger
Berryhill ES	McClintock MS	International Studies at Garinger
Billingsville ES	Northridge MS	Midwood
Briarwood ES	Ranson MS	Turning Point
Bruns Avenue ES	Sedgefield MS	Waddell HS
Walter G. Byers ES	Spaugh MS	
Devonshire ES	Whitewater MS	
Druid Hills ES	Wilson MS	
Greenway Park ES	John Taylor Williams MS	
Grier Academy ES		
J. H. Gunn ES		
Hickory Grove ES		
Hidden Valley ES		
Highland Renaissance ES		
Hornets Nest ES		
Huntingtowne Farms ES		
Idlewild ES	Tyer Ream (5)	Jane Rhyne
Irwin Avenue ES	Amay James PreK	Metro
Lincoln Heights ES	Double Oaks PreK	Morgan
Merry Oaks ES	Plaza Road PreK	
Montclaire ES	Starmount PreK	
Nations Ford ES	Tryon Hills PreK	
Newell ES		
Oakdale ES		
Paw Creek ES		
Pawtuckett ES		
Pinewood ES		
Piney Grove ES		
Rama Road ES		
Reid Park ES		
Sedgefield ES		,
Shamrock Gardens ES		
Statesville Road ES		
Sterling ES		,
Thomasboro ES		
Tuckaseegee ES		
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MeckCARES 4th Annual Stomp Out the Stigma Family Fun Day!

Starlight Skating Rink 8830 E. Harris Blvd. Charlotte, NC 28227

Wednesday, **August 18, 2010** 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Come and support this fun, rocking and rolling event and help kick off the new school year! The MeckCARES 4th Annual Stomp Out the Stigma Family Fun Day celebrates the strengths of youth and families overcoming the everyday challenges of mental health issues.



Paper Folders Entry Fee: Donation of school supplies for MeckCARES families



MeckCARES is the System of Care partnership among local child-serving agencies, families and the community. Its purpose is to improve the lives of youth ages 10 - 21 with emotional challenges, and their families. MeckCARES adopts a unified approach across provider organizations. By enrolling in MeckCARES, families participate as equal partners in the planning, delivery, and evaluation of services.

> For more information, please contact Charmaine Carter at 704-432-0698

FUN!

Support!

Resources!



Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Training

Facilitator: Dr. Susan Furr, Ph.D.

DATES:

SESSION I: August 11 - 13: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. 24 hours* Cost:\$65.00** Registration begins at 8:30 am --LOCATION: Holiday Inn University, 8520 University Executive Park Dr., Charlotte, NC 28262, (704) 547-0999

SESSION II: August 16, 23, 30: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. 24 hours* Cost: \$65.00.**Registration begins at 8:30 am

--LOCATION: Holiday Inn University, 8520 University Executive Park Dr., Charlotte, NC 28262, (704) 547-0999

REGISTRATION: Register online: www.genesisproject1.org (Registration fees will be payable via Paypal)

*Total training hours: 24 hours including class time and additional reading and assignments.

**Plus \$10 fee for CEU's.



Dr. Susan Furr, Ph.D.

Dr. Susan Furr is a licensed psychologist who received her PhD from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She has worked as a school counseling, a psychologist at a university counseling center, and currently is a Professor in the Department of Counseling at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She has published on topics such as college student suicide, grief and loss counseling, career counseling, and development of counseling students. A major focus of her training has been in the area of cognitive therapy.

For more information on this Cognitive Behavioral Training, please contact, Dr. Trasha Black, PhD, LPC, NCC, Clinical Director at Genesis Project 1, Inc. (704.596.0505)

[tblack@genesisproject1.org]



Added Dates for Motivational Training!

Interviewing Motivational Interviewing Training Facilitator: Brett Engle, PhD, LCSW

SESSION 5: Aug. 23 & 24: (9 am - 4 pm) - 13 hours **SESSION 6: Aug. 25 & 26:** (9 am - 4 pm) - 13 hours

LOCATION: Carlton Watkins Center, 3500 Ellington Street, Charlotte, NC 28211-1102

(704) 336-7100

Cost: \$57.00. Registration begins at 8:30 am

REGISTRATION:

Register online: www.genesisproject1.org (Registration fees will be payable via Paypal) Training is limited to 75 persons per session. The training fee is nonrefundable and cannot be applied to a future training. Register early, space is limited.



Assistant Professor **Barry University**

Brett Engle joined the Barry faculty in the fall of 2007. He received his PhD in social welfare from Florida International University, where he conducted a National Institute of Health sponsored study on adolescent substance abuse group treatment. This study examined relationships among group leader empathy, group member commitment language, peer responses to commitment language and substance use outcomes. Dr. Engle's research interests include adolescent health risk behaviors, the group modality, process research utilizing discourse analysis, and the motivational interviewing and social learning theory based constructs of commitment language and other change talk Brett Engle, PhD, LCSW and deviancy training. He is a member of the Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers and is actively involved with the Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups.

Dr. Engle takes an inquiry and Socratic approach to teaching in the classroom. He teaches practice courses and emphasizes the integration of research and practice and evidence-based practice.

Dr. Engle is originally from Oregon. He received his BS in Psychology and MSW from Boise State University. He has field experience providing housing, substance abuse, mental health, and home health care services for a range of client populations. He is also a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the state of Florida.

For more information on this Motivational Interviewing Training, please contact, Dr. Trasha Black, PhD, LPC, NCC, Clinical Director at Genesis Project 1, Inc. (704.596.0505) [tblack@genesisproject1.org]



Contact Information: Donna M. Cotter, RecoveryNC Director

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E-mail: donna.cotter@recoverync.org

Web site: recoverync.org

RecoveryNC Festival 2010 Celebrates Recovery from Drug and Alcohol Addiction

More than 500,000 adults and over 50,000 adolescents need but do not receive treatment for an addiction in our state every year. RecoveryNC will hold its first annual Festival on August 21, at the Cultural Center/Festival Park in downtown Greensboro, NC... because everyone knows someone struggling with a drug and/or alcohol problem.

Every dollar dedicated to the treatment of persons with addictions is returned sevenfold to communities in the form of a reduction in criminal activity, highway injuries and death, healthcare and social welfare costs, etc.

We have all been exposed to the negative effects of addiction in the media, on the streets of our home towns and through personal experience. However, it is much more difficult to see the success stories. Shame and stigma have had an extremely detrimental effect on people with addiction as well as those who have achieved stable long-term recovery.

"This is precisely why we are holding Festival 2010. We want persons in recovery to be proud to celebrate their accomplishments. We want the local community to see the faces of recovery demonstrating their talents as musicians, vocalists, artisans, etc., in an open and accepting atmosphere of success over a disease that affects hundreds of thousands of families in our state," said Donna Cotter, RecoveryNC Director.

There will be something for the whole family! Free admission! Free live music! Free information! Free parking! Delicious food and drink for sale!

About RecoveryNC

Initiated in September of 2008, RecoveryNC is a vehicle through which persons in recovery from addiction to drugs and alcohol, along with their families, friends, and advocates, can speak out for access to the services they need to maintain long-term stable recovery. Additionally, RecoveryNC diminishes the stigma attached to addiction by demonstrating the value recovering people bring to their communities, provides an advocacy platform for those interested in influencing health policy, and creates a virtual community for recovering people, their families, friends and supporters, where hope and help can be shared.

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SHARE YOUR JOURNEY • ENCOURAGE A LOVED ONE • LEND YOUR SUPPORT

RECOVERYNC FESTIVAL 2010 AUGUST 21 · GREENSBORO, NC

GREENSBORO CULTURAL CENTER AND FESTIVAL PARK
200 NORTH DAVIE STREET • DOWNTOWN GREENSBORO, NC
PRAYER BREAKFAST 10:00 AM • FESTIVAL 11:00 AM • 5:00 PM

You are invited to RecoveryNC's first annual statewide Festival to celebrate North Carolinians in recovery from addiction to drugs and alcohol. Show your support...because we all know someone struggling with a drug or alcohol problem.

This is your chance to hear firsthand about recovery from a disease that causes tremendous suffering to hundreds of thousands of North Carolina families!

Come and Listen! Come and Learn! Come and Participate! Come and Celebrate!



FREE ADMISSION • LIVE MUSIC

ARTS & CRAFTS VENDORS • FOOD VENDORS

FREE PARKING • FUN FOR ALL AGES

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