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March into April Alcohol Awareness Month and Make Massachusetts #1 for Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery

MOAR and Friends - Alcohol Awareness Month Forum – Tuesday, April 12th , 5:30 – 8:30 PM

Theme: Together, We can end Under Age Drinking

Thayer Auditorium, Community Healthlink, 72 Jacques Ave, Worcester

Share The Value of Recovery; Stop Stigma; End Discrimination

- Support The Coalition for Addiction Treatment Request; \$54 Million for Substance Abuse Services!
- Go To The Coalition to Improve Access to Addiction Treatment Day – March 29, The State House
- Go To The W MA Provider and Friends Public Policy Luncheon – March 25th, Cooley Dickinson Hospital
- Plan a Statewide (September)Recovery Month Walk – Monday, March 21, 4 PM, Marcus Garvey Center

Save These Dates:

March 17th – St Patrick’s Family Event for Recovery – 6:30 PM, Conexions Room, 14 Porter St. East Boston

March 24th – Allston Brighton SA Task Force Community Forum*- 7 PM- Jackson Mann, Cambridge St

April 12th – MOAR Alcohol Awareness Month Forum – Community Healthlink, Worcester

April 4th – Tax Alcohol for Treatment with Senator Marian Walsh-Atrium II, Faulkner Hospital

April 7th – Alcohol Screening Day – Activity Planned in New Bedford

April 20th – South Boston Hope and Recovery Forum* Tynan School, 6:30 PM

*a Boston Public Health (BPHC) NoDrugs and BSAS coalition

June 3rd – MA Law Reform Institute CORI Presentation – 11 AM- Hillcrest Hospital, Pittsfield

June 4th – Somerville Coalition Takes Lead on Recovery Ambassador Workshop – Stay Posted!

New Year 2005: Addiction Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Must Be a Priority

January 31st – Boston MOAR Public Awareness Forum – Senator Warren Tolman –Mental Health and Substance Abuse Chair, Reps Malia, Sanchez, MA BSAS Michael Botticelli, BPHC John Auerbach validate the value of the voices of recovery, and honor the challenges to from the recovery community inclusive of families. Down with alcohol ads on our transport system. Down with Oxycontin epidemic, and up with funding, parity, criminal justice reform!

February 3rd - Boston Consortium of Families in Recovery Day – Music, Talent, Stories Validating Recovery – and visits to educate policymakers. Excellent!

February 8th & 15th –Arthur B Trundy teaches “Relapse Prevention Skills for Recovery Advocates” for Worcester and New Bedford. We need to remember to keep recovery first!

February 11th – Boston Public Health Commission holds fabulous forum for Boston No Drugs Coalition members. *Advocating, Brainstorming, Collaborating for Healthy Communities.*

March 7th – MOAR Boston learned about COASA, Children of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse, facilitated by Maureen McGlame, to help youth and families cope with the effects of addiction.

Coalitions Collaborating for Resource Awareness and Availability in Massachusetts Communities

Boston’s East Boston, South Boston, Roxbury, Charlestown, Allston –Brighton and as far west as Springfield, Pittsfield coalitions are forming to educate the communities about available resources, and listening to need for improved resources. Communities are learning about why access to detox is challenging, where to go for support to advocate for services, insurance access, criminal justice reform... more alternative sentencing availability – as in drug courts for Plymouth County. Parent groups, such as W MA Parent Support Group, Whatever it Takes, SB Family Resource Center, Learn to Cope, The Parent Forum, Everett Families against Drugs are forming to support one another through the Oxycontin epidemic. There is Hope to Cope!

MOAR Ways to Continue Positive Action

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Monday evening at 6:30-8:30 PM. Senator Walsh arrives at 7:30 PM
Learn How to Build Revenues for Addiction Prevention and Treatment

April 19th, Thursday, MOAR on The Harbor, 6:30 PM, Public Policy Information Dialogue
North Suffolk Mental Health Association, Conexions Room, 14 Porter St

May 19th – Thursday- MOAR Joins East Boston NO Drug Coalition
Forums, 6:30 PM, Community Harborside School

March 21, Monday, 4 PM, Marcus Garvey Center, 166 Malcolm X Blvd, Roxbury
Plan a Statewide (September)Recovery Month Walk – Music, Picnic, Games..You Decide!

March 29th, Tuesday, 7 PM, MOAR Plymouth County, Plans for Drug Court,
First Congregational Church of Marshfield, 1981 Ocean Street (route 139)

March 30th, Wednesday, 6 PM, MOAR Berkshires, Plans for June 3 CORI Presentation,
2nd floor conference room, Hillcrest Hospital, Tor Court

March 31st, Thursday, 5:30 PM, MOAR Springfield, Plans Public Policy Action and
Recovery High School Project, 5:30 PM, Phoenix House, 5 Madison Ave,
Dinner Served, Courtesy of Residents

April 26th, Tuesday, 11 AM, MOAR New Bedford Plans Public Policy Action,
Reflections, 497 Belleville Ave

MOAR is planning Speakers Bureau and AREAS Facilitation Skill Building Sessions.

We want to build the voice of recovery across the state.

AREAS is our Recovery Support Service – *Addiction Recovery Education Access Service*

We need MOAR facilitators to educate people in recovery and their families to navigate the system to speak
up for recovery and make resources for recovery –Make Leadership an Every Day Experience!

Interested? Call MOAR – 617-423-6627

For an Example – go to The MOAR Workshops at the MA Behavioral Health Partnership Conference

Tuesday, May 10, 2005 at the DCU Center (formerly the Worcester Centrum Centre) and is titled

“Partnering for Recovery: Building Bridges.”

For more information, call 1-800-495-0086, Ext. 4147

**Don't Miss The Offering Safe Choices NE Conference on Integrating Services for Mental Health, Substance Abuse,
and Domestic Violence, April 28th and 29th, Interested? Call Institute for Health and Recovery, 617-661-3991**

The Institute for Health and Recovery is having a special anniversary soon! Congratulations!