



# Get to know your local Center of Excellence

In light of the ongoing opioid epidemic in our state, Governor Wolf recently removed the prior authorization regulation for receiving medication-assisted treatment (MAT) so that Pennsylvanians with an opioid use disorder can access MAT services in a timely manner. Another such intervention was the establishment of Opioid Centers of Excellence (COE) throughout the state in 2016. Many counties house at least two COEs within their borders.

After only one year in operation, the COEs are off to a good start. According to a recent announcement by Governor Wolf, first-year successes include:

- 14,654 individuals have interacted with a COE
- 10,903 individuals have received a level-of-care assessment, which helps to determine the type, level and length of treatment
- 71 percent of individuals seen by a COE have been engaged in treatment (including residential, outpatient and MAT)
- 62 percent of individuals have been engaged in treatment for at least 30 days.

It is because of their success during their first year that all COEs are being financed for a second year. Discussions with Magellan and other BH-MCOs are focused on the ongoing support of these centers to continue their successful interventions in the community.

Magellan encourages all providers to get to know your local COE, and utilize their services in a cooperative manner in order to best serve the needs of our members. We have provided a list of the COEs that are available within our counties of operation. They are:

## **Bucks County**

**Family Service Association (FSA) of Bucks County, 4 Cornerstone Drive, Langhorne, PA** - A licensed provider for both substance use and mental health treatment. They are a co-occurring enhanced treatment provider for outpatient therapy that recognizes the prevalence of addiction and co-occurring mental health disorders, along with co-existing trauma, physical health concerns and socioeconomic stressors, all of which can contribute to ongoing substance use. FSA provides integrated treatment and community based services to meet the needs of their clients.

*For more information, call 215-757-6916*

**Penn Foundation, Sellersville and PA-Penn Foundation, 807 Lawn Ave, Sellersville, PA** - Serve as a “health home” for Medicaid patients seeking opioid addiction treatment, providing integrated substance use, mental health, and physical health care to ensure individuals receive a holistic approach to treatment that promotes recovery. Penn

Foundation has expanded its existing substance use disorder (SUD) treatment and prevention programs while also implementing new services to enhance the quality of care provided to those seeking treatment. This includes the development of a dedicated health home team; education for physicians and nurse practitioners; patient access to an assessment within one business day; MAT; an on-site pharmacy; on-site drug testing capabilities; and a comprehensive, well-established continuum of treatment options.

*For more information, call 215-257-9999*

#### **Cambria County**

**Alliance Medical Services**, 1425 Scalp Ave, Johnstown, PA - A division of Pinnacle Treatment Centers, Alliance operates primarily as a counseling center, but also offers methadone maintenance treatment for opioid addicts.

*For more information, call 814-269-4700*

#### **Delaware County**

**Community Hospital**, 2600 West 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Chester, PA - Crozer-Keystone's Opioid Treatment COE has opened with a mission to help Delaware County residents which are suffering from opioid use disorder quickly access the recovery treatment they need. The COE provides full-service case management for those struggling with opioid use disorder, removing the most common barriers to treatment. With a commitment to educating the community, staff from the COE work to ensure healthcare, education and law enforcement organizations can identify those who need treatment and refer them to the Center. Patients can be referred or they may contact the center directly.

*For more information, call 610-497-7248*

**AIDS Care Group, Sharon Hill Office**, 907 Chester Pike, Sharon Hill, PA - A non-profit organization providing medical care, dental care and social services to uninsured and underinsured minority residents of Delaware County. The AIDS Care Group is one of the largest and most comprehensive fully dedicated HIV/AIDS service providers in Delaware County.

*For more information, call 610-583-1177*

#### **Lehigh/Northampton Counties**

**Treatment Trends**, 18 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Allentown, PA - Treatment Trends (Confront, the Halfway Home of the Lehigh Valley and Keenan House) partners with the community to provide integrated substance use, mental health and physical health care for individuals with Medicaid seeking treatment for heroin and opioid use.

*For more information, call 610-432-7693*

**Neighborhood Health Centers of the Lehigh Valley**, 931 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA - Provide case management services to individuals receiving treatment for opioid use disorder and these services are available to the general community and their patients.

*For more information, call 610-820-7605*

#### **Montgomery County**

**Resources for Human Development Montgomery County Recovery Center (MCRC)**, 25 E. Marshall Street, Norristown, PA - The MCRC COE is a community-based management

team that helps coordinate care while providing warm transitions to the next level of care and connections to community services and supports.

*For more information, call 610-272-3710*

**Community Health and Dental (CHDC), 11 Robinson St., Pottstown, PA** - CHDC connects individuals battling opioid addiction to supports and resources that provide the guidance and healthcare needed to attain and sustain a sober way of living. Using a whole-person approach, the COE team delivers encompassing care and consists of care managers, a certified recovery specialist, an LPN care liaison, an addictions navigator and a certified medical assistant.

*For more information, call 610-326-9460*