



Anne Arundel County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council
A subcommittee of the
Anne Arundel County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
STRATEGIC PLAN FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE
Fiscal Year 2012-2013
July 2012 Update

Vision: A safe and drug free County

Mission: To reduce the abuse of alcohol and use of other drugs and the resulting negative consequences

Objectives for each of the four goals are listed in order of priority. Accomplishing the goals, objectives and action steps is contingent on receiving adequate funding.

Data Driven Analysis or Listing of Data Used to Inform Process:

Jurisdata

Managing for Results (MFRs) for Anne Arundel County

Anne Arundel County's Strategic Prevention Framework Needs Assessment

Opportunity for Treatment Fund Needs Assessment Data

Priorities: (list goals in order of priority)

1. To have an infrastructure that delivers quality substance abuse treatment and services
2. To ensure access to treatment by maximizing resources (funding, treatment and recovery services)
3. To provide prevention services and activities to encourage residents to reduce the harmful consequences of the abuse of alcohol and other drugs
4. To develop a proactive response to integrating Behavioral Health and the Affordable Care Act

Goal 1: To have an infrastructure that supports effective treatment services for substance abusers.

Objective 1: Assure treatment for co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse is available throughout the continuum of care.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health, Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency and community treatment providers

July 2012 update: Four IT/Infrastructure grants were awarded to nonprofit, residential Substance Abuse programs in Anne Arundel County in FY2012 through a competitive grant competition. Funds will be used to update electronic records, improve safety equipment, and update computers and software.

Objective 2: Offer Substance Abuse Assessment and Referral at DJS intake beyond Spring 2012.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Department of Juvenile Services and Anne Arundel County Department of Health

July 2012 update: This position was discontinued June 30, 2012 due to lack of funding. DJS currently refers individuals in need of assessment to the AFS Glen Burnie office where they are either referred to a community provider or given an appointment for an assessment.

Objective 3: Strive to assure that trained and qualified clinicians, with current licensing and certification, are available at all levels of treatment by advocating for:

- Professional mentoring
- Internship placements for AACC
- Tuition scholarships
- Increase salaries for Substance Abuse professionals
- Increased bilingual licensed/credentialed staff

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health, Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency and the Anne Arundel Community College

Objective 4: Establish a jurisdictional case review team for publicly funded clients.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health, Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency and the Anne Arundel County Department of Disabilities

July 2012 Update: Two initiatives are underway to establish review teams for this population:

- a) One initiative lead by the Anne Arundel County Department of Health is creating a Peer Review Team consisting of local providers, AACDOH and other stakeholders to review complex Substance Abuse and Co-occurring Cases that are publicly funded to improve system service delivery and improve treatment outcomes.
- b) The second initiative, led by the Anne Arundel Mental Health Agency has created a multiagency case review team to discuss complex cases involving the elderly with

chronic mental health, substance abuse and medical conditions that result in high use of crisis services with minimal long term solutions.

Objective 5: Assure compliance by treatment providers to Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration Conditions of awards through quarterly site visits.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health

July 2012 Update: All OTF vendors receive compliance reviews by Anne Arundel County Department of Health based on the graduated monitoring schedule established by the ADAA.

Objective 6: Establish an integrative Methadone Treatment Program at Ordnance Road Correction Center for Opioid Addicted Inmates to establish a smooth transition to the Adult Addiction Methadone Program upon release from Detention Center.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health and Ordnance Road Correctional Center

July 2012 Update: “Road to Recovery” opened on Monday, June 4, 2012. As of August 15, 2012; 32 inmates had been enrolled in the program and 84% of those participants released from jail followed up with their own methadone program or Adult Addictions.

Objective 7: Provide education to providers regarding appropriate use of medication assisted opiate addiction treatment, Prescription Drug Abuse treatment needs, Continuing Care, Recovery Oriented System of Care and other topics as identified.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health, Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency, and Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children Youth & Families.

July 2012 Update: In collaboration with the Anne Arundel County Department of Health and Anne Arundel Mental Health Agency, several provider education workshops with CEUs have been offered, including: a two day training by Dr. David Mee - Lee “Using the ASAM PPC 2 (May 2012)” and an upcoming 2 day training on Continuous Comprehensive Integrated System of Care by Dr. Ken Minkoff in September 2012.

Objective 8: Develop a workgroup to address accreditation issues for Substance Abuse and Mental Health providers in the County.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency and Anne Arundel County Department of Health

Performance Targets

1. Substance Abuse Assessor in place at the Department of Juvenile Services
2. Jurisdictional Team established and number of cases reviewed
3. Quarterly site visits for OTF vendors
4. ORCC onsite methadone clinic open
5. # of professional education events

Estimated Dollar amount needed (includes federal, state and local funding sources)

Total funding to fully support Goal 1 is:	\$ 522,000
Anticipated funding received for FY2012:	\$ 320,000
Additional funding needed to support Goal 1:	\$ 202,000*

**The gap between the funding needed and received to support this goal reflects decreased funding from several sources due to the economic downturn as well as unfunded initiatives.*

Goal 2: To develop and maintain a continuum of care that is accessible to individuals needing substance abuse treatment and recovery services.

Objective 1: Identify and prioritize recovery services needed in Anne Arundel County.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Recovery Oriented System of Care Change Team

July 2012 Update:

- a) The ROSC Change Team will sponsor a “Recovery Walk” September 15, 2012 to increase awareness of substance abuse and recovery.
- b) The AACDOH awarded 5 Recovery Grants to community nonprofits to develop recovery services activities in the County. It is anticipated that additional funding will be available through a grant process in FY2013.
- c) Two Peer Support Specialists were hired in FY2012 by the AACDOH and located within treatment programs (Hope House/Chrysalis House and ORCC Road to Recovery/Adult Addictions). An additional position will be hired in FY2013.
- d) Recovery Services may expand in FY2013 to include “Wellness Centers” and/or “Adolescent Clubhouses”. These initiatives are in development in conjunction with the ADAA.
- e) Specific funding for Recovery Housing for Women with children at Chrysalis House was awarded in FY2013.
- f) State Care Coordination Contract awarded to Healthcare Access Maryland based on competitive grant process.

Objective 2: Strive to maximize treatment funds for adolescent and adult substance abusers referred from the criminal justice system, hospitals and the community through identifying grants and implementing risk management strategies by September 2011.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health, Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency and Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth and Families

Objective 3: Establish a Criminal Justice Workgroup to identify opportunities for collaboration and education among professionals to improve service delivery by December 31, 2011.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Bill Davis, Shawn Rutherford and the Anne Arundel County Detention Center

Objective 4: Explore solutions to eliminate disparity in access to treatment for residents of southern Anne Arundel County.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Bill Davis, Office of Public Defender, Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency and Anne Arundel County Department of Health.

Performance Targets (define desirable, measurable end results against which to compare actual performance)

1. Recovery Oriented System of Care Change Team establishes strategies to implement recovery services in Anne Arundel County.
2. Number of grants applied for/received to increase treatment funding.
3. Identify evidence based risk management practices for managing individuals seeking substance abuse treatment.
4. Criminal Justice Workgroup established and group goals identified.

Estimated Dollar amount needed (includes federal, state and local funding sources)

Total funding to fully support Goal 2 is:	\$5,224,388
Anticipated funding received for FY2012:	\$3,424,388
Additional funding needed to support Goal 2:	\$1,800,000*

** The gap between the funding needed and received to support this goal reflects decreased funding from several sources due to the economic downturn as well as unfunded initiatives.*

Goal 3: Encourage Anne Arundel County Residents to value and live a healthy drug free lifestyle.

Objective 1: Increase awareness that will promote a healthy lifestyle by identifying environmental strategies to reduce alcohol and other substance abuse by September 2011.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health and Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children, Youth and Families and Community Coalition

July 2012 Update: Two Strategic Prevention Framework Coalition grants have been awarded to community based organizations. North Anne Arundel County Coalition is led by the Anne Arundel Community College Foundation and the West Anne Arundel County Coalition was awarded to Hands of Hope. North County Coalition has resubmitted their needs assessment to ADAA and will then work to develop a strategic plan identifying environmental strategies for the Brooklyn Park, Glen Burnie and Pasadena areas. West County is currently working on the same.

Objective 2: Reduce underage drinking and substance abuse.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Substance Abuse & Delinquency Prevention Coalition, Police Departments, HD Prevention staff, community groups, Anne Arundel County Public Schools Student Services

Objective 3: Offer two cycles of the Strengthening Families Program (SFP) at the Ordnance Road Correctional Center (ORCC) and seek funding for community based SFP cycles by Spring 2012.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health Prevention Services and Anne Arundel County Detention Centers

July 2012 Update: The Anne Arundel County Department of Health has completed three cycles of Strengthening Families Program at ORCC. Funding was obtained from ADAA and the Anne Arundel County Detention Center. The Anne Arundel County Department of Health has received a grant from the Anne Arundel County Partnership for Children Youth and Families to provide 3 cycles of Strengthening Families Program in the Community for FY2013. A cycle specific to the Annapolis Housing Authority and Seeds for Success is scheduled for January 2013.

Objective 4: Ensure that Adult Evaluation and Review Services (AERS) include screening and referral for substance abuse and mental health services by Autumn 2011.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health Adult Evaluation and Review Services (AERS).

July 2012 Update: AERS evaluations include screening and referral for behavioral health disorders. AERS staff receives regular training in Mental Health and Substance Abuse Disorders, the Program Supervisor is attending the ADAA Supervisor's Academy for Co-occurring Disorders. AERS has identified a lack of services for this population.

Performance Targets

1. Select a community coalition to implement environmental strategy by September 2011
2. Number of education sessions, materials distributed and police department enforcement activities.
3. Apply for funding for Strengthening Families Program at ORCC by August 2011.
4. AERS routinely screens for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Disorders and incorporates into their Plan of Care.

Estimated Dollar amount needed (includes federal, state and local funding sources)

Total funding to fully support Goal 3 is:	\$582,916
Anticipated funding received for FY2012:	\$369,441
Additional funding needed to support Goal 3:	\$213,475*

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Goal 4: To respond, collaboratively, to the changing environment of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and Parity Laws with a local service delivery model for behavioral health services

Objective 1: Establish guiding principals for integration of Mental Health and Substance Abuse by July 2012.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health and Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency

July 2012 Update: The Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency Executive Director and the Addiction Treatment Coordinator for the County, Behavioral Health Bureau Director William Rufenacht, have established quarterly meetings with the Anne Arundel County Health Officer, Angela Wakhweya, MD, MS. Econ., to discuss local integration, service platform issues and funding.

Objective 2: Adopt integrative approach to Behavioral Health management by the Co-occurring Disorders Steering Committee by December 2011.

Lead Agencies/Persons Responsible: Anne Arundel County Department of Health and Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency

July 2012 Update: The Anne Arundel County Local Health Improvement Coalition, Healthy Anne Arundel, identified the treatment and management of Co-occurring Disorders as a priority for the County. The COD Steering Committee has developed a new logic model and action plan to address the community needs through provider education, environmental strategies and data analysis.

Performance Targets (define desirable, measurable end results against which to compare actual performance)

1. Guiding Principals for the integration of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Service Delivery developed by January 2012.
2. The Anne Arundel County Co-occurring Disorders Charter Document updated by December 21, 2011.
3. Increase membership and attendance at the Co-occurring Disorders Steering committee by 5% by Spring 2012.

Estimated Dollar amount needed: Not Applicable