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GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF EXPERTS TO SERVE ON JUST ESTABLISHED ADVISORY PANEL

TRENTON (December 22, 2011) – The Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse announced today the establishment and members of an Advisory Panel to the Council. These Panel members will be charged with identifying research, material and other information that is in the public domain and relevant to the issues the Council is concerned with; provide input on best practice models as well as effective and efficient addiction service systems; and, provide other relevant advice to assist the Council in fulfilling its mission.

The Council is statutorily authorized and empowered to review and coordinate all State departments' efforts in regard to the planning and provision of treatment, prevention, research, evaluation, and education services for, and public awareness of, alcoholism and drug abuse. It also administers the State's \$10 million Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Program which is the largest network of community-based anti-drug coalitions in the nation with 7,000 volunteers serving on 402 Alliances encompassing more than 530 municipalities throughout New Jersey.

The Council has also been charged by the Christie Administration to create a "Blueprint for a Drug-Free New Jersey - 2020" which will address how the State's future substance abuse prevention, treatment, and recovery services should be delivered with an eye toward identifying efficiencies in the current system and implementing evidence-based practices that improve outcomes. The Blueprint will also include a plan to address New Jersey's heroin and other opiate use epidemic amongst its youth.

It is expected that the Advisory Panel will play an important role in aiding the Council to more effectively meet this charge and its statutory duties. The resolution establishing the Council's Advisory Panel passed on Tuesday, December 20th. It grants the Council Chairman the authority to appoint Panel members and the Panel Chairman.

Today Acting Chairman Neil Van Ess appointed fifteen Panel members from across the United States and New Jersey who possess unique knowledge, skills, experience and expertise related to alcoholism, drug abuse, and associated concerns. Van Ess also appointed the Panel Chairman, Dr. Herbert Kleber, of Columbia University.

Members bring significant experience to the Advisory Panel which includes expertise in research, public policy, prevention, treatment, recovery, military service members and their families, enforcement, corrections and re-entry. Three members have served as senior officials of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. Three other members have been named by a daily news journal to its 2011 Top Ten list of individuals revolutionizing addiction and recovery who've had the greatest impact on addiction research and treatment.

"I am pleased to have such a diverse group of highly experienced people participating in the Advisory Panel," stated Van Ess. "The Panel members have graciously given of their time and expertise for which the Council is very grateful. I look forward to the valuable contributions they will be making to the Council and its work."

Chairman of the Advisory Panel:

- Herb Kleber, MD - Director, Division on Substance Abuse at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and the New York State Psychiatric Institute

Since Dr. Kleber's founding of the Division on Substance Abuse at Columbia University it has become one of the leading substance abuse research centers in the country. Dr. Kleber has been a pioneer in the research and treatment of substance abuse for over forty years. Kleber was the Deputy Director for Demand Reduction at the Office of National Drug Control Policy in the White House under President George H.W. Bush and Director Bill Bennett. He was also Executive Vice-President and Medical Director of the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA), a policy center he and Joseph Califano founded in 1992.

Members of the Advisory Panel:

- Barbara Cohoon, MSN, PhD - Government Relations Deputy Director, National Military Family Association
- Brian R. Crowell - Special Agent in Charge, United States Drug Enforcement Agency New Jersey Division
- General Arthur T. Dean - CEO, Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America
- Phil Diaz, MSW - Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Palm Partners
- Kevin Gay - President/Founder, Operation New Hope
- Keith Humphreys, PhD - Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University
- Doug Marlowe, JD, PhD - Chief of Science, Law and Policy, National Assoc. of Drug Court Professionals
- Carol McDaid - Co-founder and Principal of Capitol Decisions Inc.
- Ellen Morehouse, LCSW, CASAC, CPP - Executive Director, Student Assistance Services Corporation
- Robert Pandina, PhD - Director, School of Alcohol Studies, Rutgers University
- Joan Randell, MS - Deputy Director, Nicholson Foundation
- Amy Singer, MPA - Senior Vice President and Director, Public/Private Partnerships and Business Development, Phoenix House
- William White, MS - Senior Research Consultant, Chestnut Health Systems / Lighthouse Institute
- James Wojtowicz, MS - Managing Director, Command, Control and Interoperability Center for Advanced Data Analysis, Rutgers University

Please reference attachment for detailed biographies of Panel members.

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ADVISORY PANEL MEMBER BIOGRAPHIES

CHAIRMAN

Herbert Kleber, MD

Director, Division on Substance Abuse at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and the New York State Psychiatric Institute

Since Dr. Kleber's founding of the Division it has become one of the leading substance abuse research centers in the country. Kleber heads a number of projects including a Medication Development Center where research is carried out on new medications to treat individuals with cocaine, heroin, prescription opioids, or marijuana problems. Dr. Kleber has been a pioneer in the research and treatment of substance abuse for over forty years. He and his colleagues have helped develop and improve both medications currently used to treat substance abuse and the psychosocial approaches that accompany them. Kleber was the Deputy Director for Demand Reduction at the Office of National Drug Control Policy in the White House under President George H.W. Bush and Director Bill Bennett. He was also Executive Vice-President and Medical Director of the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA), a policy center he and Joseph Califano founded in 1992.

MEMBERS

Barbara Cohoon, MSN, PhD

Government Relations Deputy Director, National Military Family Association

Dr. Cohoon monitors issues relevant to the quality of life of families of the uniformed services and represents the Association before the United States Congress. She is a member of the Department of Defense's (DoD) Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel, and her decisions directly contribute to sustaining the TRICARE health care benefit for military service members, retirees, and their families. She has over 20 years of nursing experience in both military and civilian health care facilities.

Brian R. Crowell

Special Agent in Charge, United States Drug Enforcement Agency New Jersey Division

Brian Crowell has distinguished himself as an expert in the field of drug law enforcement. He began his law enforcement career as a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in 1988 and has served in DEA Headquarters Special Operations Division, New York, and New Haven. In March 2011, Crowell was promoted to the Special Agent in Charge of the DEA New Jersey Division. As Special Agent

in Charge, Mr. Crowell is responsible for the daily operations of the men and women whose primary mission is to enforce federal narcotics laws throughout the State of New Jersey.

General Arthur T. Dean

CEO, Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America

General Dean provides strategic direction for CADCA, serves as its primary spokesman and overseeing the operations and personnel of the organization. CADCA is the nation's leading drug abuse prevention organization, representing the interests of more than 5,000 community anti-drug coalitions in the country. Before joining CADCA, Dean spent 31 years in the U.S. Army. He retired on August 31, 1998, at the grade of Major General. During his time in the Army, General Dean served around the world. He saw combat in the Republic of Vietnam and Saudi Arabia.

Phil Diaz, MSW

Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Palm Partners

Phil Diaz has over 30 years' experience in executive management in the social service, governmental and private enterprise sectors. His experience includes working as the Assistant Deputy for Prevention, in the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy under President George H.W. Bush and ONDCP Director Bill Bennett. Diaz is the co-author of four books on addiction and the family, "Strength-based Approaches for Families in Recovery."

Kevin Gay

President/Founder, Operation New Hope

Kevin Gay left the for-profit world and founded Operation New Hope, based in Jacksonville, Florida, in 1999 to be able to create a new model for community development. ONH was selected by the White House in 2003 to develop the first national model for Prisoner Re-entry called Ready4Work. This employment based re-entry model is now being used in 16 other cities around the country. Ready4Work Jacksonville has gained national attention because of its impact in reducing recidivism. He has been invited to the White House on three occasions over the past 4 years for his work in prisoner re-entry. Gay is a contributor on several publications on re-entry including; Governor Bush's Ex-offender Task Force Report in 2006 and most recently on several publications through the Council of State Governments- Justice Council on re-entry.

Keith Humphreys, PhD

Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University

Dr. Humphreys has been extensively involved in the formation of federal policy, having served as a member of the White House Commission on Drug Free Communities, the Veterans Administration National Mental Health Task Force, and the National Advisory Council of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. He recently spent a sabbatical year as Senior Policy Advisor at the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. Humphreys' research focuses on the prevention and treatment of addictive disorders, and, on the extent to which subjects in medical research differ from patients seen in everyday clinical practice. (Named 2011 Top Ten list of individuals revolutionizing addiction and recovery)

Doug Marlowe, JD, PhD

Chief of Science, Law and Policy, National Assoc. of Drug Court Professionals

Dr. Marlowe translates the latest scientific findings into useful and understandable practice and national policy, addressing legal issues facing the drug court model and expanding NADCP's role in the full problem-solving court arena. Marlowe is an Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry at the University of

Pennsylvania and former Director of the Division of Law and Ethics Research at the Treatment Research Institute. He has researched the role of coercion in drug abuse treatment, the effects of drug courts and other specialized programs for drug-abusing offenders, and behavioral treatments for drug abusers and criminal offenders.

Carol McDaid

Co-founder and Principal of Capitol Decisions Inc.

With nearly 25 years of Federal legislative experience in Washington, Carol McDaid has placed a special focus of Capitol Decisions practice on national alcohol and drug treatment policy. For over 15 years, Ms. McDaid has worked with leading non-profit drug and alcohol treatment centers, addiction physicians, and other prevention and consumer organizations to refine public policy addressing alcohol and other drug addictions. McDaid led the Parity NOW Coalition behind passage of the 2008 "Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act." This landmark legislation requires insurers to treat addiction, mental, and physical health problems equally. Because McDaid personally overcame addiction, she understands the challenges, political and personal, of dealing with alcohol and drug issues. She formerly served as Chairperson of the Board of Directors for Faces and Voices of Recovery. She also serves on the Betty Ford Institute Executive Council, and in 2007, she received the Johnson Institute's America Honors Recovery Award. (Named 2011 Top Ten list of individuals revolutionizing addiction and recovery)

Ellen Morehouse, LCSW, CASAC, CPP

Executive Director, Student Assistance Services Corporation

Ellen Morehouse is the creator of three national model alcohol and drug abuse prevention and early intervention programs: the Westchester Student Assistance Program; the Residential Student Assistance Program; and Project SUCCESS (Schools Using Coordinated Community Efforts to Strengthen Students) which have been replicated nationally. Morehouse has served as a consultant to treatment programs, school districts, parent and professional organizations, community groups, and state agencies in planning and implementing alcohol and drug abuse prevention, early intervention, and treatment programs.

Robert Pandina, PhD

Director, School of Alcohol Studies, Rutgers University

Dr. Pandina is a developmental neuropsychologist with specialty training in experimental and clinical psychopharmacology. Other areas of expertise include: mechanisms of drug action, development and assessment of prevention and treatment interventions, drug testing in the workplace, forensic psychology, and sports psychology. He is President of Alcohol Research Documentation, Inc., the corporation that publishes the Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs, and also serves as the Director of the Center's Health and Human Development Laboratory, which is conducting a longitudinal study of alcohol and drug using behavior, its etiology, and its consequences. Pandina is currently Director of the NIDA-funded Rutgers Trans-disciplinary Prevention Research Center, which is focused on developing methods of intervention during a student's key developmental transitional periods.

Joan Randell, MS

Deputy Director, Nicholson Foundation

Joan Randell served as the Foundation's Director of Health and Rehabilitation for two years beginning in 2008. She has extensive experience in the development and implementation of public policy in the health, rehabilitation, and employment fields. A Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, Randell has expertise in working with special needs populations. She has conducted research and published widely,

and she has created nationally recognized programs to help individuals with health, mental health, and substance abuse disorders attain maximum functionality. In addition to her responsibilities as Deputy Director, Randell continues to lead the Foundation's health care efforts.

Amy Singer, MPA

Senior Vice President and Director, Public/Private Partnerships and Business Development, Phoenix House

Amy Singer joined the Phoenix House Foundation in 1994. She had previously worked as Deputy Commissioner for Strategic Planning and Programs for the New York City Department of Correction; Senior Associate for the Education Development Center; private consultant to the Gardiner Howland Shaw Foundation; Assistant Secretary for Criminal Justice, Boston, MA; and Chief of the Victim Witness Service Bureau in Cambridge, MA. Singer also chaired the National Advisory Committee for Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's \$21M Reclaiming Futures initiative.

William White, MS

Senior Research Consultant, Chestnut Health Systems / Lighthouse Institute

William White has worked full time in the addictions field since 1969 as a street-worker, counselor, clinical director, researcher and well-traveled trainer and consultant. He has authored or co-authored more than 300 articles, monographs, research reports and book chapters and 16 books. His book, "Slaying the Dragon - The History of Addiction Treatment and Recovery in America," received the McGovern Family Foundation Award for the best book on addiction recovery. Bill was featured in the Bill Moyers' PBS special "Close To Home: Addiction in America" and Showtime's documentary "Smoking, Drinking and Drugging in the 20th Century." White's sustained contributions to the field have been widely acknowledged by awards from numerous organizations. His widely read papers on recovery advocacy have been published by the Johnson Institute in a book entitled, "Let's Go Make Some History: Chronicles of the New Addiction Recovery Advocacy Movement." (Named 2011 Top Ten list of individuals revolutionizing addiction and recovery)

James Wojtowicz, MS

Managing Director, Command, Control and Interoperability Center for Advanced Data Analysis, Rutgers University

James Wojtowicz has more than twenty six years experience working in various capacities within the State's criminal justice system. After many years at the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Wojtowicz served 10 years as the Director, Office of Drug Programs, New Jersey Department of Corrections where he supervised the delivery of addiction treatment and various ancillary services to the offender population. This included addiction assessment, contracted in-prison and community based treatment, educational curriculum, child support and relationship programs and program research and systems analysis.