



DMHAS Information from Quarterly Provider Meeting June 11, 2026

Today's slide deck will be posted here:

<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/dmhas/information/provider/>

Family Provider Programs Presentation

Josie Brining, CPRS, Lead FSC Program Coordinator, Reconnections Family Support Center

Andora Hightower, MPSL, BA, DRCC, NASM Nutrition Coach, Director of Community Based Recovery Program, Center for Family Services

<https://www.njconnectforrecovery.org/nj-family-support-centers/>

Vicki Phillips, Executive Director, Mental Health Association in Atlantic County, Co-Chair CIT Atlantic County

The testimonial:

Some days, loving a someone with mental illness feels like carrying your heart outside your body.

You celebrate things other families may never think twice about:

- ♥ A good day.
- ♥ A completed meal.
- ♥ A shower.
- ♥ A peaceful conversation.
- ♥ A smile that feels genuine.

You learn to live between hope and heartbreak.

You become an expert in medications, appointments, symptoms, side effects, and crisis plans—while still trying to be Mom, Dad, Husband, Wife, Sister, Brother, Roommate or Friend.

The truth is, most people will never fully understand the weight you carry. They don't see the sleepless nights, the constant worry, or the tears shed behind closed doors.

But I want you to know this:

*Your loved one is more than a diagnosis.
And you are stronger than you realize.*

If today was hard, if you're exhausted, if you're wondering how much longer you can keep doing this—keep going.

One day at a time.

One appointment at a time.

One breath at a time.

World Cup Updates

Megan Sullivan, DMHAS Director of Disaster and Terrorism Branch

NJDOT World Cup 2026 - Traffic Advisory Toolkit

<https://nynjfwc26.com/>

<https://cs-259.qibedigital.net/what-we-do/wc26-fan-plus-communities-guide/united-states/nynj/>

Fan and Communities Guide

<https://www.sporhumanrights.org/>

<https://nynjfwc26.com/nynjalerts/>

Integrated Rules

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DMHAS Updates:

David Helfand, DMHAS Assistant Commissioner

- 1) On April 24th DMHAS received two letters from SAMHSA. One regarding what was allowable to be funded with SAMHSA funding regarding Harm reduction, and the second letter regarding what was allowable with federal funding for Medications for Opioid use disorder. Thus, for all providers under contract with DMHAS we have issued two attestations that providers will need to review and sign and return as indicated in the letter, no later than June 30th. If your organization does not provide any harm reduction or Medication for Opioid related services, you can simply indicate not applicable and sign and return as indicated in the letter. Any questions can be directed to the email addresses specified in the letter.
- 2) Contract renewals - The contract renewal memo for all DMHAS contracted providers was issued. Currently DMHAS is sending out award summaries to providers. We ask you to make all efforts to meet deadlines for submission of documents but given the tight timeline, where there is a need for an extension a request should be submitted to your contract administrator

3) Trainings



The NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), Office of the Medical Director is an approved Education Provider through NAADAC, the Association for Addiction Professionals and APCBNJ, Addiction Professionals Certification Board of NJ!

As part of this initiative, we are excited to announce our asynchronous web-based learning series featuring 1-hour recordings, each eligible for 1 NAADAC-approved Continuing Education (CE) credit at no cost (also accepted by the APCBNJ).

Our trainings cover a wide range of topics relevant to:

- Substance use and co-occurring disorder prevention and treatment
- Medications used in treatment for substance abuse
- Counseling practice, policy, and services
- Peer support and direct care

Register Here!

<https://dmhas.dhs.nj.gov/CME/Login>

These trainings will be especially valuable for direct care staff (counselors, peer specialists, case managers) and those who hold or are pursuing certification or licensure in the substance use field.

4) RFP update -

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) for the implementation and promotion of the Integrated Care Program (ICP). DMHAS anticipates making several awards for a combined total of \$900,000 per year in funding. Bidders must specify the number of individuals they propose to serve, and the total amount of funding requested. The number of awards granted will be contingent on the proposed client capacity and the feasibility of the funding request. Contract may be renewed for up to four additional one-year terms, contingent upon continued federal appropriations and successful completion of deliverables and reporting. A detailed project budget is to be included with the proposal. This initiative will promote the integration and co-location of physical and behavioral healthcare to improve overall wellness and physical health status of individuals with opioid use disorder (OUD) and other behavioral health conditions. The program is expected to promote the implementation and improvement of bi-directional integrated care services including; evidence-based or evidence-informed screening, assessment, diagnosis, prevention, treatment, and recovery services for individuals with an OUD and/or stimulant use disorder (StUD). With this initiative, DMHAS aims to improve the health outcomes for individuals with behavioral health conditions by supporting an integrated care model for behavioral and primary physical health.

This is for eligible FQHCs and look alike facilities and would direct you to our website to review the requirements of this RFP.

5) Annual Suicide Prevention Conference is scheduled for September 10th.

6) Annual opioid Summit is September 23rd.

**QPM Dates in 2026
9/17 & 12/10**