

The Connection

Spring 2020

ACEs & Addictive Disease: The BIG Picture! Wednesday, April 22, 2020

Join First Lady Kristen Cooper and our Distinguished Speakers

Elijah Lee, Child Activist

Elijah is a remarkable 12 year old speaking out and working as an activist against child abuse. He attends KIPP Halifax College Preparatory School, and was recently featured on Disney's Marvel's Hero Project for his inspiring work against child abuse. Elijah has been an invited guest on the Kelly Clarkson Show, has spoken at the Lincoln Memorial, led a community march against child abuse, and was featured on WTVD Channel 11 and WRAL Channel 5.

Stephen Loyd, MD

Medical Director, Journey Pure at the River

Dr. Loyd is a nationally recognized thought leader and clinician with decades of experience in addiction medicine, mental health, and substance abuse services. Dr. Loyd has been an advocate for impaired physicians; and his work has been featured in USA Today, on the Huffington Post Live, and on the NBC Today Show.

Elyse Powell, PhD

State Coordinator, N.C. Department of Health and Human Services

Dr. Powell coordinates NC DHHS' response to the opioid epidemic, including shaping response strategy and leading coordination across treatment, prevention, surveillance, and policy strategies to best improve outcomes for North Carolinians. Dr. Powell is passionate about advancing the way we prevent and treat chronic diseases, including addiction.

Jenny Cooper, MPH

Chief Research and Development Officer, Benchmarks' Center for Quality and Health Integration

Ms. Cooper works to create community initiatives that advance health and create opportunities for effective policy change.

Scott Luetgenan, MSW

Gate Spring Consulting

Mr. Luetgenan serves on the board of Addiction Professionals of North Carolina, as a member of Shatterproof's Stakeholder Advisory Committee, and as an advisor for the City of Raleigh Substance Use Advisory Commission, and treatment/recovery consultant for SAMHSA's Opioid Response Network.



Community Events (registration required) Addiction is not a Moral Failure

Stephen Loyd, MD Northampton County Cultural and Wellness Center Auditorium April 21 * noon - 1:30 p.m. Edgecombe Community College Tarboro Campus (Multipurpose Room in the Center for Innovation(CFI 137)) April 22 * noon - 1:30 p.m.

Physician CME

(registration required) **Proper Opioid Prescribing and Trauma Stephen Loyd, MD** Barton College Hardy Alumni Hall April 21 * 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Exploring Mindfulness-Oriented Recovery Enhancement (MORE)



March 19-20 Limited Seating - Registration required and available after February 1. Eric Garland, PhD, LCSW is Distinguished Endowed Chair in Research, Professor and Associate Dean for Research in the <u>University of Utah College of Social Work</u>, Director of the Center on Mindfulness and Integrative Health Intervention Development (C-MIIND), and <u>Associate Director</u> at the <u>Huntsman Cancer Institute</u>. Dr. Garland is the developer of an innovative mindfulness-based intervention founded on insights derived from cognitive, affective, and neurobiological science, called <u>Mindfulness-Oriented Recovery Enhancement (MORE</u>). The *MORE* program is detailed in <u>a treatment manual designed for use by therapists</u> (and patients) and incorporates specific strategies designed to ameliorate addictive behavior, stress, and (physical and emotional) pain.

What's Coming Up in 2020?

February 5	Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Waiver Eligibility Training
, February 7	CHAMP: Carolina Hepatitis Academic Mentorship Program
	One Day Orientation Hepatitis C Bootcamp (Charlotte)
February 28	Compassion Fatigue, Incivility, and Lateral Violence in Health Care Live Webinar Option Available
February 28	The Medically Compromised Child, plus Eating Disorders
March 11	2nd Annual Current Trends in Substance Misuse and the Dangers of E-Cigarettes Live Webinar Option Available
March 12	Opiate and Non-Opiate Pain Management Live Webinar Only
March 19 - 20	Exploring Mindfulness-Oriented Recovery Enhancement (MORE)
March 25	NC Annual 2020 STD Update
April 2	Pharmacy Law Update 2020 Live Webinar Option Available
April 3	OSHA Laws: Annual Bloodborne Pathogens and Hazcom Update 2020
April 21	Addiction is not a Moral Failure (Northampton County Cultural and Wellness Center)
April 21	Proper Opioid Prescribing and Trauma (CME - Barton College, Hardy Alumni Hall)
April 22	ACEs & Addictive Disease: The Big Picture!
April 22	Addiction is not a Moral Failure (Edgecombe Community College)
April 30	The Pressure of Aging (The 31st Annual Aging Symposium)
May 5	Military Women's Health Symposium

Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Waiver Eligibility Training

Wednesday, February 5, 2020 (registration required)

Registration & lunch: 12:15 p.m. Training: 12:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

What is the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Waiver and how do I get one?

Also known as the Data 2000 Waiver, the MAT waiver allows clinicians to dispense or prescribe narcotic medication like buprenorphine in the provider's office to help to improve patient access to treatment for opioid use disorder and substance-use disorder. Training to obtain the waiver is offered to physicians (MD or DO), nurse practitioners (NP), physician assistants (PA), and certified nurse-midwives (CNM) who have an active Drug Enforcement Administration number to dispense controlled substances. Physicians are required to complete 8 hours of training, while NPs, PAs, and CNMs are required to complete 24 hours of training. Participants will receive 4 hours of training.

Thanks to the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust, the Duke Endowment and HRSA for funding Area LAHEC's efforts to provide education and training on ACEs, Resiliency and the Opioid Epidemic.



March

Hear Our Voices Walk

March 7 * 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Centennial Park, Roanoke Rapids Join Elijah Lee, a 12-year-old community activist who is featured in the Marvel Hero Project show streaming on Disney Plus, for his 3rd Annual Child Abuse Awareness March. Make a gift: www.gofundme.com/ f/9zzvh-hear-our-voices or visit www.Incredibleelijah.com

Komen Charlotte & Komen NC Triangle to the Coast in partnership with SECU Foundations, North Carolina Area Health Education Centers (AHEC), and the University of North Carolina propose to develop and execute a transformational program to reduce breast cancer mortality in three AHEC regions (Area L, Charlotte and North West) by decreasing the barriers related to breast cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment. Thank you SECU Foundations for your support! SUSAN G. 🛰 🗆 KOMEN.

More information to come!





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MIPS

2020 Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) Payment Adjustment

In July 2019, each MIPS eligible clinician received a 2018 MIPS Final Score and associated payment adjustment factor(s) as part of their 2018 MIPS performance feedback, available on the <u>Quality Payment Program website</u>. 2020 MIPS payment adjustments, based on each MIPS eligible clinician's 2018 MIPS final score, will now be applied to payments made for Part B covered professional services payable under the Physician Fee Schedule. Payment adjustments are determined by the final score associated with your Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)/National Provider Identifier (NPI) combination.

- The <u>2020 MIPS Payment Adjustment Fact Sheet</u> gives more details and answers to frequently asked questions.
- Visit the <u>Quality Payment Program Resource Library</u> for more Quality Payment Program resources.

NC Medicaid EHR Incentive Program

2019 Program Reporting Year

EPs will have until April 30, 2020, to attest for Program Year 2019; however, if submitted after February 28, 2020, review by program staff prior to close of NC-MIPS is not guaranteed.

2020 Program Reporting Year

All EPs attesting in Program Year 2020 are required to attest to Stage 3 MU with a 2015 Edition of CEHRT. All EPs have the option to use a 90-day MU and CQM reporting period, regardless of having attested successfully to meaningful use in a previous program year. EPs may begin to attest for Program Year 2020 on NC-MIPS on May 4, 2020.

2020 Billing and Coding Updates

CPT 2020 includes 314 new codes, 76 revised codes and 97 deleted codes. All sections of CPT received changes in coding and guidelines, except Anesthesia.

Chronic Care Management (CCM) Services: CMS adopted a new HCPCS code (G2058) specifically for Medicare that covers an additional 20-minute period of CCM beyond the initial 20 minutes. The new HCPCS code is an add-on code to 99490 and can be reported up to twice per calendar month, to cover up to 60 minutes of clinical staff time spent in CCM.

Principal Care Management (PCM) Services: CMS is implementing coding and payment for PCM: care management for one serious chronic condition. These new codes are G2064 and G2065.

Transitional Care Management (TCM) Services: CMS expanded the services concurrently reported with TCM.

- 99358-99359: Prolonged services without direct patient contact
- 93793: Home and outpatient International Normalized Ratio (INR) monitoring
- 90960-90962, 90966, or 90970: ESRD services for patients 20 and older
- 99091: Interpretation of physiological data
- 99487 and 99489-99491: Complex and noncomplex CCM
- G0181-G0182: Care plan oversight



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Remembering Thaddeus (Thad) Pender Sharp, Jr.



The Board of Directors and Staff at Area LAHEC lost a special member of our AHEC family, Thaddeus (Thad) Pender Sharp, Jr. Mr. Sharp was a long standing Board Member and Past Chairman.

He was married for 67 years to Julia Brame Sharp. Thad was the founder of Sharp Farms, Inc. and was devoted to the growth and development of the farming operation as a family business. He valued family heritage and was a good steward of the land, always modeling sustainable, responsible agriculture and forestry.

Mr. Sharp will always be a part of the Area LAHEC family.



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