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Student Chapters Are On the Rise!



The next generation of substance abuse counselors is going places at Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA). This January, a VAAP student chapter formed at NOVA's Alexandria campus - home to the college's *Substance Abuse Counseling Certificate* program. The chapter, which includes over 20 members, was formed under the leadership of Karen Clarke-Fuhs, a NOVA student who began working toward the Substance Abuse Counseling Certificate in 2013. On March 5 the student chapter participated in NOVA's annual *Play It Safe: Alcohol Awareness* program, handing out information to students and presenting its own educational game, *The Wheel of Drugs*. The event was a huge success and the chapter's booth drew over 200 students. This spring the chapter will participate

in field trips to local treatment centers, and it hopes to launch a peer-to-peer support network on campus next fall. Also, in honor of *Recovery Month 2014*, the chapter is planning seminars, speakers, wellness programs, and other campus outreach.

Chapter officers are: President, Karen Clarke-Fuhs; Vice President, Sean Fitzgerald; Secretary, Matt Mortimer; and Treasurer, Natasia Louissaint-Carvajal. Chandelle Miller, MS, CSAC, NCACII, SAP is the faculty advisor. For more information about NOVA's VAAP Student Chapter, contact Karen Clarke-Fuhs at kclarkefuhs7770@email.vccs.edu or 703.254.3715.

By Karen Clarke-Fuhs



NOVA Sponsored Mocktails

A Message FromThe President

Colleagues,

A historic event has occurred, an event that is without precedent in more than fifty years. The United Nations accepted a resolution to accept recovery as a concept. Michael Botticelli, Acting Director of National Drug Control Policy, describes this as codifying “the commitment of countries to decrease the stigma associated with substance use disorders and to address them like other chronic health conditions.”

Thank you for the work you have done throughout your career to contribute to global awareness of recovery from substance use disorders.

Sincerely,



Patrice Porter
President, VAAP



More people attending the NOVA
Student Chapter event!

We Need Your Help!

Current Vacancies on the VAAP Board of Directors:

- *Southwest President*
- *Delegate at Large*
- *Treasurer*

Come and be a part of the planning, growth and development of the only Virginia organization dedicated to the support of individuals working in the addiction prevention and treatment field. Your expertise and input is valuable to the continued professional development of our peers in order to help address changes in the behavioral health care environment. Receive mileage reimbursement for travel to BOD meetings. You also receive contact educational hours for your Board service and more!

You must have maintained your VAAP membership for a minimum of one (1) year for consideration as a member of the BOD.

For more information please contact the BOD at:

(804) 527-6299 Mailbox # 6222

OR

www.vaaddictionpros.org

Member's Corner

My name is Bianca Waechter. I am currently a graduate student at the College of William and Mary. This May I will be graduating with my Masters in Community and Addictions Counseling.

Approximately a year ago I became the Student Board Member for VAAP. At the VSIAS conference that summer I had the opportunity to participate in a presentation during Student Workforce Development Day. It was during that three day training I was introduced to some other VAAP members, who in June, 2014 will become my employers and coworkers. Yes, VAAP is on my resume and was discussed during the interview process. During the interview I stated that participating in VAAP, and continued participation, has been an important part of my professional development.

VAAP membership and participation has provided me with opportunities to network and to develop as a young professional that I would not have had elsewhere. This year at the Annual Membership Meeting I had the opportunity to accept a nomination as the Delegate at Large. Although my time as a student is ending, I am grateful to have the opportunity to continue to develop as a professional through my VAAP membership and participation.



Members



Meeting



Moments!



**Thank You to the
2014 Annual Meeting
Exhibitors!**

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National Alcohol Screening Day was held at The Warwick SRO in Newport News Virginia on April 22, 2014. Thirty Five people attended. Ten individuals took the alcohol screening test. Two of the test resulted in the need for the individual to seek treatment. The event was sponsored by VAAP, SAARA OF THE PENINSULA, SAMHSA and NAADAC. Shown in photo from left to right are Leroy, Renee, Alethia, Anthony and Jerome in the rear.

By John Haywood

Archived Webinars



These webinars are free to view anytime. Earn CE credit by simply passing the online CE Quiz! Get more information at <http://www.naadac.org/>

Upcoming Events:

Virginia Summer Institute for Addiction Studies:

Registration is open!

**"Breaking News for the
Addiction Professional"**

July 14 - 15, 2014

Holiday Inn Patriot
3032 Richmond Road
Williamsburg, VA 23185

<http://www.vsias.org>



**Student Recovery Workforce
Development Day at VSIAS
On July 16**

What is it? This is a full day seminar geared towards students who are pursuing undergraduate and/or graduate programs that will provide behavioral healthcare or counseling and prevention services to clients whose conditions are likely aggravated by substance abuse issues or clients who are classified as "high risk" for substance abuse. The one-day seminar will also prove beneficial to those who work in the student support roles of teacher, instructor, mentor or co-worker in the behavioral healthcare fields. Additional information will be provided to determine interest and begin strategies for formation of a Virginia Association of Addiction Professionals (VAAP) Student Chapter with a campus sponsor. Participants and partners in September's National

Recovery Month activities will be registered.

This is a concurrent, all-day seminar funded by the Virginia Association of Addiction Professionals (formerly VAADAC), NAADAC – The Association for Addiction Professionals, VSIAS (Virginia Summer Institute for Addiction Studies), and SAMSHA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration). Your free registration includes 7 contact hours of training, lunch, and refreshment breaks.

Registration is now open at www.planetreg.com/srwd2014

Reminders

Submitting Articles

Articles submitted may be edited for length and content. The maximum length of submitted articles is three-quarters of a page, single spaced. The editor reserves the right to publish only articles which relate to the VAAP's mission.

Articles will not be printed with a recovering person's name, identifying data, or photograph without the person's written permission submitted to the editor with the related article. The name of treatment facilities or providers will not be printed.

If you wish a by-line, submit your name and credentials as you wish it to be published. If desired, your e-mail address can also be listed.

If you would like to submit a newspaper article or an article that you have written yourself such as articles on current topics of interest, trends in counseling, or book reviews to VAAP VIEWS for publication, contact the editor, **Denise Cooper** at: Cooperd@rbha.org

June 27, 2014
Deadline 5 PM:

Article submission for the Summer Edition, VAAP VIEWS

October 1, 2014

Deadline 5 PM:

Article submission for the Fall Edition, VAAP VIEWS

Update Your Colleagues

Have you received a professional award? Do you know a VAAP member who has received a professional award? Please send VAAP Views this information so that the accomplishments of our members do not go unrecognized.

Change in Your E-Mail

Address

E-blasts to VAAP members about VAAP trainings and other events are performed by NAADAC, who maintains the VAAP membership list. If you need to change your e-mail address, please write Autumn Kramer, Director of Membership Services, at: AKramer@naadac.org

NCC AP One-Time Test Acceptance Offer

The National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCC AP), a department of NAADAC, the Association for Addiction Professionals for a limited time is waiving its requirement that all national credential applications be submitted within four years of receiving a passing NCC AP test score. The NCC AP invites you to apply for the level of national credential you tested for when you obtained your state-issued credential/license, no matter how old your test score!

This one-time offer to apply began April 1, 2014 and ends September 30, 2014.

No applications will be accepted after September 30, 2014.

Please contact Donna Croy, Certification Coordinator, at dcroy@naadac.org or by calling 800.548.0497 x111.

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