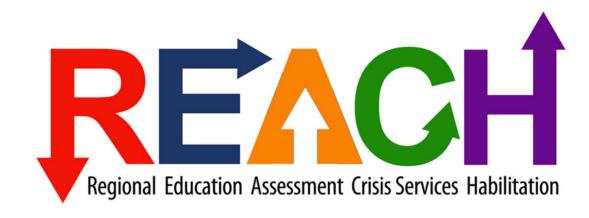
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Update



August Data

Adults

Referrals: 30 Active Clients: 69 Crisis Plan Hours: 145.7 Crisis Prevention hours:

448.9

Calls to Crisis Line

Information: 36

Clinical Corner



FASDs last a lifetime. There is no cure for FASDs, but research shows that early intervention treatment services can improve a child's development.



September is Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Awareness Month

The range of effects that alcohol can cause to a baby exposed to alcohol before birth is called Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder or FASD. These effects may include physical, mental, behavioral, and/or

Crisis Prevention: 123 Crisis Face to Face Response: 35 Face to Face + 3 Telehealth Total Calls: 197

Average Crisis/Face to Face Response Time: 49.1 minutes

Crisis Therapeutic Home

Emergency Bed Days: 55 Step-down Bed Days: 35 Prevention Bed Days: 0

Children

Referrals: 31 Active Clients: 55 Crisis Plan Hours: 96.8 Crisis Prevention Hours: 203

Calls to Crisis Line

Information: 24 Crisis Prevention: 1 Crisis Face to Face Response: 24 Face to Face + 3 Telehealth **Total Calls: 52**

Average Crisis/Face to Face Response Time: 78.8 minutes

Our Referral Form

Click here to download it, and please share with anyone in your system that makes REACH referrals. Thank you!

REACH Region III

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learning disabilities. Thousands of babies are born with an FASD each year.

The good news is that FASD is completely preventable. If a woman does not drink alcohol while she is pregnant, her child cannot get FASD.

Distribute <u>free educational materials</u>. CDC has free brochures, fact sheets, and other materials.

Training Modules

mha.ohio.gov

Click here to access FASD Training Modules.

Video

Apps



Alarmed - Reminders + Timers

- Pop-up reminder alerts with robust repeat scheduling, flexible snooze and full customization.
- Pop-up timers with custom messages, countdown / count up, timer queues and more.
- Support for both timed and location reminders.

Click here to learn more.

Books & Podcasts



52 Weeks of Health Equity

Tahitia Timmons

Health impacts all aspects of life, especially our progress toward creating a diverse and



Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

SAMHSA/YouTube.com

Recovering Hope is an intimate and evocative video about the mothers and families of children who are affected by Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD).

Click on the video above or click here to view.



Sensory: Sensory Bin Activity

The Place for Children with Autism/YouTube.com

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inclusive world.

Click here to learn more about this podcast.

Health



DBHDS/Office of Integrated Health

The September Newsletter Includes:

- The Commonwealth of Virginia Learning Center
- · ABA Snippets
- COVID-19 Variant on the Rise
- The App of the Month CDC
- The 4th Annual Statewide Nursing Conference

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Employment Opportunities



REACH Region III Is Hiring!

The REACH program is the statewide crisis system of care that is designed to meet the crisis support

needs of individuals who have a developmental disability and are experiencing crisis events which put them at risk for homelessness, incarceration, hospitalization, and/or danger to self or others.

REACH services are available statewide, with one regional program being located in each of the Commonwealth's five DD regions.

REACH Mission Statement

Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities shall be supported with services that allow the individual to live the most inclusive life possible in his/her community which includes access to appropriate and effective crisis stabilization, intervention, and prevention services including mental health treatment services when indicated.

What does it mean to our staff to work for REACH?

"I enjoy working in the REACH program as it allows me to be creative and to utilize skills and abilities that most programs do not. REACH services also allows me the opportunity to witness the impact of my work on clients and their families/providers." - Junior Stoots, REACH Coordinator

"Working for REACH means to me being the first line of support when working with a challenging population. It means being flexible and dependable for my co-workers and the consumers we serve." – Nicole Dailey, CSP II-Utilization and Training

REACH Region III - Southwestern Virginia.

Areas Served:

Blue Ridge BH: Botetourt, Buchanan Town, Daleville, Eagle Rock, Fincastle, Oriskany, Roanoke City, Troutville, Arcadia, Catawba, Craig, New Castle, Newport, Paint Bank, Bent Mountain, Roanoke, Vinton, Salem, Vinton

Cumberland Mt CSB: Big Rock, Buchanan, Grundy, Pilgrims Knot, Vansant, Castlewood, Cleveland, Dante, Honaker, Lebanon, Rosedale, Russell, Tazewell

Highland CS: Washington County, Abingdon, Clarksville, Damascus, Emory, Glade Spring, Meadowview and City of Bristol, Virginia

New River Valley CS: Radford, Willis, Copper Hill, Floyd, Giles, Narrows, Pearisburg, Rich Creek, Staffordsville, Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Claudville, Montgomery, Riner, Shawsville, Pilot, Allisonia, Draper, Dublin, Hiwassee, New Bern, Pulaski, Pembroke, Meadows of Dan

Danville-Pittsylvania CSB: Danville, Blairs, Callands, Chatham, Gretna, Pittsylvania, Ringgold, Sandy Level

Dickenson County BHS: Birchleaf, Breaks, Clinchco, Clintwood, Dickenson, Haysi

Mt. Rogers CSB: Bastian, Bland, Rocky Gap, Carroll, Atkins, Ceres, Chilhowie, Elk Creek, Fires, Galax, Grayson, Groseclose, Hillsville, Independence, Mouth of Wilson, Smyth, Sugar Grove, Troutdale, Whitetop, Saltville, Marion, Barren Springs, Crockett, Fort Chiswell, Foster Falls, Ivanhoe, Max Meadows, Wythe, Wytheville, Rural Retreat

Piedmont CS: Martinsville, Boones Mill, Burnt Chimney, Callaway, Ferrum, Franklin, Glade Hill,

Penhook, Rocky Mount, Smith Mountain Lake, Union Hall, Wirtz, Axton, Bassett, Collinsville, Fieldale, Henry, Ridgeway, Spencer, Stanleytown, Patrick

Planning District One BHS: Dryden, Ewing, Jonesville, Lee, Middlesboro, Pennington Gap, Rose Hill, Stickleysville, Norton, Clinchport, Duffield, Dungannon, Gate City, Hiltons, Nickelsville, Scott, Weber City, Appalachia, Big Stone Gap, Coeburn, Pound, St. Paul, Wise,

Southside CSB: Warfield, Alberta, Brunswick, Gasburg, Lawrenceville, Rawlings, Alaton, Boydton, Buffalo Junction, Chase City, Clarksville, Clover, Halifax, Mecklenburg, Nathalie, Scottsburg, Skipwith, South Boston, South Hill, Sutherlin, Virgilina, Bracey

For information on available positions and to apply click here.

(Type 'REACH' in the search bar)

Opportunities and Events



Hart for Autism and Dr. Norm Geller: Advanced ADOS-2 Training - fee based

ONE DAY VIRTUAL EVENT Monday, October 2 8am - 4pm EST

Cost: \$299

VCAR

Join us for our first ever fishing tournament fundraiser, presented by the New River Anglers for Autism Awareness!!

Open to all anglers in motorless boats. Camping available!

Saturday, September 23, 7am - 3pm

Tournament host and location: New River Outdoor Adventures 5785 Fries Rd, Galax, Virginia

We'd like a give a special thank you to Grumpaw's Tackle.

Visit the Facebook event page to see more.

DBHDS



Click Here for the website.

Click Here for Provider Development.

Resources

The ARC of the United States

Our Virtual Program Library for People With Disabilities Is Now Live!

Click here to view!



Virginia CommonHelp

In these difficult times, many Virginians are looking for assistance with essential services.

Virginia CommonHelp makes it easy for you to apply for multiple Department of Social Services programs using one online application.

CommonHelp partners with several government agencies to offer Virginians a fast and easy way to apply for a wide range of services:

- · Help with paying for childcare
- · Home energy assistance
- · Help with buying food
- · Low or no-cost healthcare
- · Temporary cash assistance for families with children

To determine your eligibility for one or more programs, you can complete CommonHelp's <u>online eligibility portal</u>. The portal will tell you which programs you qualify for and how to apply for them online. Visit the <u>CommonHelp website</u> to learn more about the programs and government agencies that they partner with.

The Employment Toolkit for Job Seekers with Autism

readyjob.org

Click here to view.



The Arc of Virginia

Our Mission. The Arc of Virginia promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes.

Our Vision. People with intellectual and developmental disabilities are valued as classmates, coworkers, neighbors, citizens and friends.

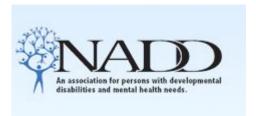
Click here for their website.



The Virginia Tech Autism Clinic

VTAC in the Psychology Department of Virginia Tech, opened in the Fall of 2005 to provide clinical services to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their families in the surrounding New River Valley.

Click here for their website.



NADD

NADD is a not-for-profit membership association established for professionals, care providers and families to promote understanding of and services for individuals who have developmental disabilities and mental health needs. <u>Click here</u> for their website.



Special needs require special attorneys.

The Special Needs Alliance

The Special Needs Alliance is a national, non-profit organization committed to helping individuals with disabilities, their families and the professionals who serve them. Click here for their website and here for The Voice -Special Needs Alliance Newsletter.



The Virginia Autism Council

This website is Virginia's clearinghouse on best practices and research-based education and training opportunities to advance personnel development and knowledge regarding autism in Virginia. Click here for more information.



Commonwealth Autism

<u>Click here</u> to view Resources compiled by **Commonwealth Autism**.



A non-profit Center for Independent Living serving the NRV

New River Valley Disability Resource Center

A Non-Profit Center for Independent Living; Serving the NRV

Click here for their website for Events and Resources.

Vaccine Information Center - Virginia Department of Health

Click here for information on VDH COVID-19 Vaccination Response.



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