

Addiction Services for Prevention, Treatment, Recovery



Alcohol, drug or gambling addictions affect 2.5 million New Yorkers. Working with our partners at the federal, state and local level, OASAS is committed to improving the lives of all New Yorkers by leading a premier system of addiction services through prevention, treatment, recovery.

Prevention is Proven

OASAS monitors a comprehensive network of more than 250 prevention programs located throughout the state. These programs deliver a wide range of services within our schools and communities that is research based and supports safe and healthy environments.

Thanks to these efforts, children stay in school, workers stay on the job, roadways and neighborhoods are safer, and cost-savings to the health care, welfare and criminal justice systems are realized.

Treatment Works

On any given day more than 110,000 New Yorkers are treated in the OASAS system. OASAS monitors a network of certified treatment providers statewide that operate more than 1,300 programs. This includes the direct operation of 13 Addiction Treatment Centers, which provide inpatient rehabilitation services to more than 10,000 persons per year.

However, no single treatment is appropriate for all individuals. Using evidence-based practices, OASAS is committed to setting a gold standard of care that is patient-centered. Patients can receive medical care for physical or mental health problems, individual

and group therapy, educational assistance, life skills development, vocational, vocational training, and assistance with housing and family reunification.

Treatment for chemical dependence and gambling problems reduces criminal justice activity, increases employment, decreases homelessness, improves health and reduces health care costs.



Recovery Offers Hope

Recovery offers hope for happier, healthier lives. Each year, more than 260,000 New Yorkers begin the journey to lasting recovery from the disease of addiction.

Like most other chronic diseases, the earlier a problem with substance abuse or gambling is identified and treated, the better an individual's chances are for a successful, lasting recovery.

Moving from the culture of addiction to the culture of recovery requires having a safe home, support from family or friends, meaningful employment, and the ability to live free from the stigma associated with addiction.

The journey to recovery starts by getting help. If you need help, call 1-800-522-5353.

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