



# BHA Annual Recovery Month Kickoff Event

**Brendan Welsh, CPRS – Director  
Community Based Access and Support**

**August 31, 2020**



# Agenda

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- 09:00 – 09:15 Welcome from Dr. Aliya Jones  
Deputy Secretary of Behavioral Health
- 09:15 – 09:30 Greetings from Consumer Affairs
- 09:30 – 09:35 International Overdose Awareness Day  
*A day of Prevention and Awareness*
- 09:35 – 09:40 Governor’s Proclamation & CCOL Award
- 09:40 – 11:00 Nadia Richardson, PhD – Founder & Exec Dir  
*No More Martyrs*
- 11:00 – 11:15 Stretch Break
- 11:15 – 11:30 Your Recovery Messages AMPLIFIED!!!
- 11:30 – 12:00 Recovery Message Training

*Welcoming Remarks from the Deputy Secretary of Behavioral Health*

# **Aliya Jones, M.D., MBA**

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*Greetings from Consumer Affairs*

# Brendan Welsh, CPRS

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February 2011



December 2019



Greetings

# Consumer Affairs

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# OCA Website

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Offers resources to individuals who are interested in a number of ongoing projects within the Office of Consumer Affairs (OCA), including:

- CPRS Marketing Brochures and Toolkits
- PRS ListServe Contact Information
- Consumer Quality Team Information
- Carroll Conquest Outstanding Leadership Award Information
- Archived Training Information



[bha.health.maryland.gov/  
Pages/Consumer-Affairs](https://bha.health.maryland.gov/Pages/Consumer-Affairs)



# OCA ListServe

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Utilized by more than 2,200 individuals across the state to send and receive information related to:

- Upcoming Peer Training
- Peer Employment Opportunities



# Facebook Group

## Maryland Behavioral Health Peer Recovery Specialist (under Facebook Groups)



Utilized to announce:

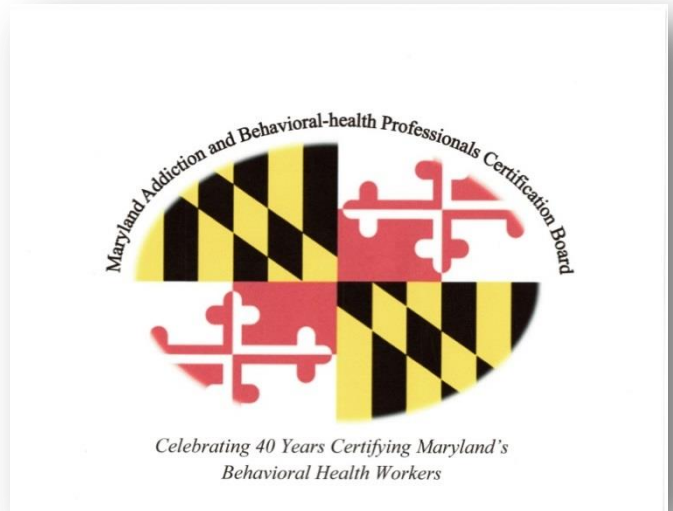
- Recovery Resource Requests / Announcements
- Recovery Advocacy Event
- FB Lunch and Learn Programs



# MABPCB Website

The CPRS credentialing board's website offers resources to individuals who are interested in certification and other related components of the CPRS credential, including:

- Applications for certification
  - CPRS Application
  - RPS Application
  - CPRS Recertification Application
  - Educational Provider Application
- Upcoming Training Calendar
- CPRS and Approved Peer Supervisor Rosters
- Peer Employment Opportunities
- Ethics Policy and Procedures for the CPRS
- 9 Board Information and Updates



[mapcb.wordpress.com/cprs](http://mapcb.wordpress.com/cprs)





Where are Peers being utilized?

# BHA Funded Peer Workforce

COUNTY	Total # Certified	Total # Non-Certified	TOTAL Peer Recovery Specialist
Allegany	3	7	10
Anne Arundel	11	15	26
Baltimore City	30	84	114
Baltimore County	18	5	23
Calvert	5	8	13
Caroline	1	2	3
Carroll	7	26	33
Cecil*	5	12	17
Charles	1	1	2
Dorchester	1	2	3
Frederick	2	5	7
Garrett	1	4	5
Harford	1	5	6
Howard	6	2	8
Kent	3	3	6
Mid Shore (CSA)	5	7	12
Montgomery	9	7	16
Prince George's	10	4	14
Queen Anne's	1	4	5
Somerset	2	1	3
St. Mary's	2	8	10
Talbot	2	8	10
Washington	5	11	16
Wicomico	2	0	2
Worcester	2	18	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>384</b>

# Moment of Reflection

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# International Overdoses Awareness Day

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# Governor's Proclamation

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*Award Nomination Announcement*

# **Carrol Conquest Outstanding Leadership Award**

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*Keynote Speaker*

# **Dr. Nadia Richardson, PhD**

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*Time for a break*

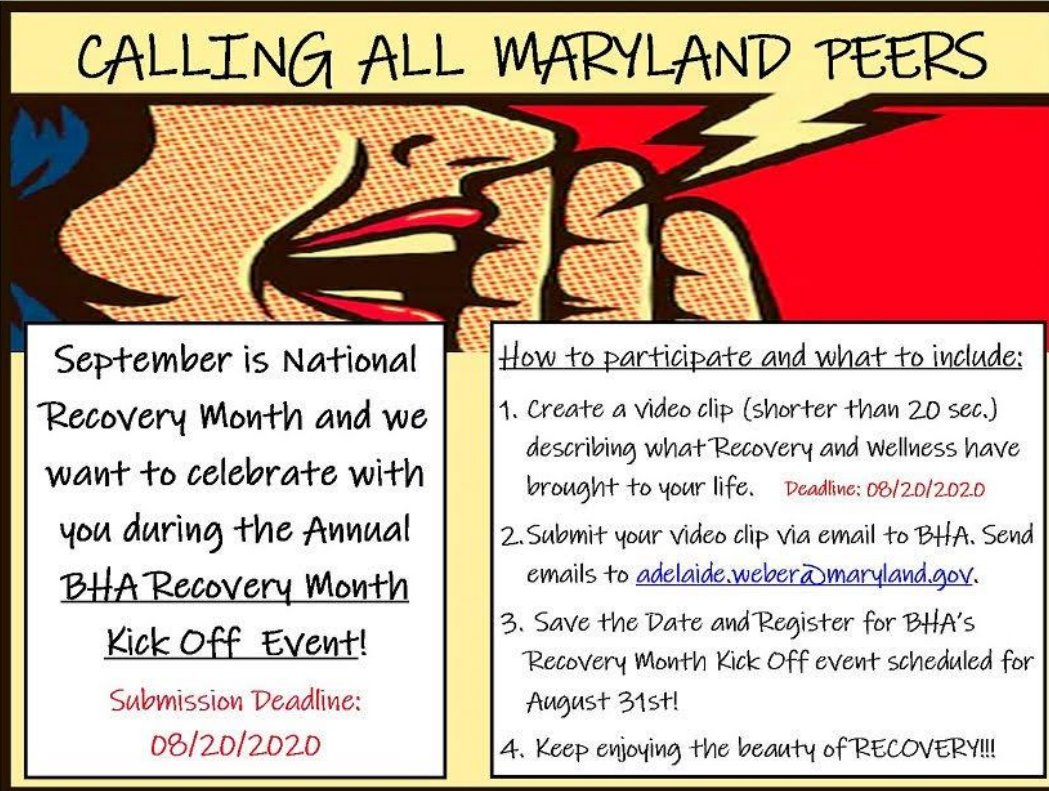
# 15 Minutes

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Your Recovery Messages

# Calling All Peers



CALLING ALL MARYLAND PEERS

September is National Recovery Month and we want to celebrate with you during the Annual BHA Recovery Month Kick Off Event!

Submission Deadline:  
08/20/2020

How to participate and what to include:

1. Create a video clip (shorter than 20 sec.) describing what Recovery and wellness have brought to your life. *Deadline: 08/20/2020*
2. Submit your video clip via email to BHA. Send emails to [adelaide.weber@maryland.gov](mailto:adelaide.weber@maryland.gov).
3. Save the Date and Register for BHA's Recovery Month Kick Off event scheduled for August 31st!
4. Keep enjoying the beauty of RECOVERY!!!

*Celebrating Maryland Recovery*

# **Your Recovery Messages Amplified**



*Your voice, your story, our power*

# Recovery Message Training

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**RECOVERY  
MESSAGES FOCUS  
ON HOPE,  
INSPIRATION,  
AND INVITATION!**



*Get in touch with us...*

# Questions

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