2019 RCPA Conference: “Impact” Was A Huge Success!

The 2019 RCPA Annual Conference, by all accounts, was a great success. While we are still going through all of the mobile app feedback, initial responses have been very complimentary. With nearly 750 attendees, there were many positive comments on the level and range of presenters, as well as the general flow of events. Specific highlights noted were:

- The opening Keynote Address: The Power and Potency of Social Capital, presented by Al Condeluci, PhD;
- RCPA human resources favorite, Attorney Michael Cohen, returned with two packed sessions;
- RCPA leadership favorites, John Amato and Thomas Sullivan;
- The plenary on Pennsylvania’s Journey Towards Value-Based Payments by DHS leaders Leesa Allen, Kristin Ahrens (ODP), and Kevin Hancock (OLTL), facilitated by Fady Sahhar, XtraGlobex, Inc.;

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Members in the News

- RCPA Member UniqueSource® Announces Biggica As New President And CEO
- RCPA Member Partners For Quality Board of Directors Names Human Services Veteran Margaret Rothenberger President & CEO
- Message From RCPA Partner First Nonprofit: Why Request A 2020 Unemployment Insurance Evaluation?
- Congratulations To RCPA Member CareLink On Their 60th Anniversary Celebration!

As the largest state association of its kind, RCPA continues to look for ways to strengthen its voice. One way to facilitate this is by the recruitment of new members. For new provider members, there is a discount for the first year of membership. If you have questions about membership or know of an organization that would benefit from membership with RCPA, please contact Tieanna Lloyd, Accounts Receivable/Membership Services Manager.

**NEW MEMBERS**

**PROVIDER**
Central Region
Excentia Human Services
1810 Rohrerstown Rd
Lancaster, PA 17601
Christopher Shaak, CEO

**PROVIDER**
Southwest Region
Clelian Heights
135 Clelian Heights Ln
Greensburg, PA 15601
Sister Deborah Lopez, Executive Director

Visit the RCPA website for up-to-date information on legislation, meetings, trainings, and other industry developments.
Hearing from our national leaders, Gabrielle Sedor of ANCOR, Chuck Ingoglia of the National Council for Behavioral Health, and Charles Curie of The Curie Group; and

The powerful closing plenary on The American Problem: Gun Violence, Mass Shootings, and Mental Illness by Dr. Jack Rozel.

As always, we are looking for ways to improve each year and make the experience that much more worthwhile. We encourage you to go into the mobile app and complete the overall conference evaluation to help us inform our programming; this will remain available until October 18. The RCPA staff and Conference Committee are happy to hear your feedback directly as well.

Our goal is to have the RCPA conference be the primary event that you put on your calendar each year. To reach that goal, we need to listen and continue to adapt — all ideas are welcome. Next year, we are back again in Hershey and the planning has already begun. Until then… stay involved! The success of RCPA in representing providers depends upon the membership staying active in our efforts. Our staff are at the Capitol every day, continuing to regularly meet with the administration, legislators, and the governor’s office, and have active committee meetings — we look forward to seeing you there and your being involved.

Special thank you to our sponsors — thank you for your support of the conference!
Thank you as well to our exhibitors — thank you for making Exhibit Hall a success!

SAVE THE DATES
Mark Your Calendars Now!

2020 RCPA Conference
Tuesday, September 22 –
Friday, September 25
at Hershey Lodge

2020 RCPA PAC Golf Outing
Tuesday, September 22 at
Hershey Country Club
12:00 pm shotgun start
2019 RCPA Conference: “Impact” Continued

Exhibit Hall’s “Best in Show” goes to Salisbury Behavioral Health, Inc. Once again, Salisbury Behavioral Health accepted and won the challenge to work the 2019 theme, IMPACT, into their booth décor and giveaways. From the socks to the window breaker, their IMPACT was clear. Congratulations to the Salisbury Behavioral Health team for their support and enthusiasm in exhibiting at the 2019 RCPA Conference. Salisbury will receive 20% off their 2020 exhibit booth.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR EXHIBIT HALL PRIZE WINNERS!

2019 RCPA ASSOCIATION AWARDS LUNCHEON

Congratulations to the award winners!

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EXEMPLARY SERVICE AWARD

Presented to an individual or agency/facility that has shown a strong commitment and dedication in service to the association, its members, and related issues.

Awarded to: Mark Wendel, CenClear
Nominated by: Kristin Kuruzovich, CenClear, RCPA Staff, and Members

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Presented to an individual in recognition of extending service and knowledge to the community at large and efforts in helping the community better understand the needs of individuals served by RCPA members.

Awarded to: Jonna DiStefano
Nominated by: Jeff Wilush and Jerry Skillings, Horizon House

Awarded to: Alternative Community Resource Program
Accepted by: Frank Janakovic, Alternative Community Resource Program
Nominated by: DeAnn Cardarella, Alternative Community Resource Program

LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Presented to an individual who has shown significant leadership and commitment to government affairs and legislative issues on behalf of RCPA and its members.

Awarded to: Representative Michael Schlossberg
Nominated by: RCPA Staff and Members

INNOVATION AWARDS

Presented to an individual or agency/facility in recognition of significant innovation. Examples include cross-systems integration, physical health/behavioral health integration, and the implementation of new technology.

Awarded to: Salisbury House
Accepted by: Shaun Poulton, Salisbury House
Nominated by: Mary Ann Davis, Salisbury House

Awarded to: Ryan Smith, Inperium, Inc.
Nominated by: Jennifer Tursi, Inperium, Inc.

Awarded to: Troy Brindle, Springfield Psychological
Nominated by: Justin Behrens, Keystone Mission

Awarded to:

PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs
Accepted by: Jeff Geibel, PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs

Erie County Department of Human Services, Office of Drug and Alcohol Abuse
Accepted by: David Sanner, Erie County DHS, Office of Drug and Alcohol Abuse

West Branch Drug and Alcohol Commission
Accepted by: Shea Madden, West Branch Drug and Alcohol Commission

Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships
Accepted by: Aleisha Albertson, Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships
All Nominated by: Jessica Myers, Community Care Behavioral Health Organization

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Presented to an individual in honor of their significant, consistent, and enduring contribution throughout their career in support and furthering of the field.

Awarded to: Dr. Brian Eberts, Chestnut Ridge Counseling Services, Inc.
Nominated by: Michael Quinn, Chestnut Ridge Counseling Services, Inc.

Awarded to: Stephen Christian-Michaels, Wesley Family Services
Nominated by: William Stennett, Wesley Family Services, RCPA Staff, and Members

Awarded to: Joan Erney, JD, Community Behavioral Health
Nominated by: RCPA Staff and Members

Awarded to: Alan Hartl, Lenape Valley Foundation
Nominated by: Jessica Bollard, Lenape Valley Foundation, RCPA Staff, and Members

Awarded to: Dennis Nebel, Human Services Center
Nominated by: Michele Kelly-Thompson, Human Services Center, RCPA Staff, and Members
Register for the 2020 RCPA PAC Annual Golf Outing

Save the date for the RCPA PAC Golf Outing on Tuesday, September 22, 2020. Conference attendees, exhibitors, sponsors, and presenters can now register to participate in the RCPA PAC’s annual golf outing at the beautiful Hershey Country Club (West Course), 1000 East Derry Road, Hershey, PA 17033.

Registration starts at 10:30 am, lunch begins at 11:00 am, followed by a putting contest and 12:00 pm shotgun start. Sponsorships are available for this worthwhile cause. We hope you will consider becoming a golf outing sponsor; it is a great way for your organization to get name recognition and an opportunity to support the RCPA PAC.

The RCPA PAC raises money and supports campaigns of state legislators and representatives who advance our interests on Health & Human Services issues. The funds raised through RCPA PAC can make a notable difference. Further questions may be directed to Jack Phillips, RCPA Director of Government Affairs.

CONFERENCE VIDEOS

Attendees Shannon and Diana of UPMC Behavioral Health of the Alleghenies share why they enjoy the RCPA Conference

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First time exhibitors Twinsis LLC give their first impressions of the RCPA Conference and Exhibit Hall

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FAMILYLINKS SEEKING CFO

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The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is a mission-focused, strategic, and process-minded leader on the Executive Leadership Team. The CFO brings efficient, effective systems to increase productivity and develops strategy and vision to ensure the management of the financial resources and stability of the organization.

The CFO should be a dynamic leader with a proven ability to manage people and processes in a fast-paced environment. This position requires strong business acumen with the ability to do the following:

- Communicate, collaborate, and form working partnerships with staff.
- Improve organizational effectiveness and analyze financial, government, and regulatory information to construct appropriate funding streams.
- Connect sound financial decision-making to the successful advance of the mission and achievement of the strategic plan.

To apply, please send a current resume and letter of introduction to Nancy Simpronio, Senior Director of Human Resources, nsimpronio@familylinks.org
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