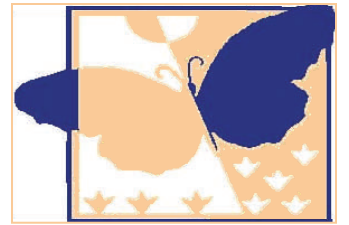


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A Collective Voice for Addiction Recovery MOAR - Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery Faces & Voices of Recovery



Recovery Day '07
Marching for Recovery
(Left and Right)
Springfield, Boston,
Beverly Recovery High School
Students celebrating recovery (below)



Some MOAR of our Public Policy Champions
Senate Assistant Majority Whip,
Senator Steven Tolman (Left)
Mental Health and Substance
Abuse Committee Co Chairs
Senator Gale Candaras and
Representative Ruth Balsler (Above)



11th BPHC Families in Recovery Day
Founders Rita Nieves, MSW, Hortensia Amaro, PhD
with Event Coordinator Agnes Mulligan (Center)



Boston Public Health
Commission staff,
Maddie Ribble and
Nicole Chacon Schmitt,
facilitated 200 policymaker
visits with support from
MOAR volunteers 2/20/08 to
speaking up for prevention,
treatment, and recovery



Stigma of Addiction in
The Media
MA BSAS Recovery Day
Dialogue '07

with Donna Latson- Gittens, Causemedia;
Jim Gogek- San Diego Union Tribune;
Michael Botticelli (BSAS Director);
John Auerbach, MA Public Health Com-
missioner; Jim Hiatt, BSAS Constituent
Affairs; Monica Brady- Myerov, NPR; and
Patricia, RECOVER Project (Below)



Stephanie Almeida receives MOAR
Recognition Award for facilitating 3
motorcycle rides for recovery pre-
sented by MOAR Executive
Director Maryanne Frangules.

*Photos: Michael Keegan, www.keeganphoto.com
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MOAR Joins Faces and
Voices of Recovery with
The Recovery Voices
Count Campaign.

Help MOAR Register
Voters for Recovery .
See Inside!



Recovery Month Pictures '07
Recovery Day Celebration –
March from Boston City Hall to State
House. Note Standing Ovation for
Kitty Dukakis, Recovery Advocate

New England Ride for Recovery '07
cosponsored with Middlesex Human
Services Agency was a family affair
with 200 individuals, families, friends
in/and for recovery. Motorcycle
Caravan Route: Somerville to
Maynard Sports Club. Join us in '08.

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Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery



September is National Alcohol & Drug Addiction Recovery Month
2008 theme: "Join The Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Recovery"
celebrating individuals and families in recovery from alcohol and other addictions.

Recovery Month is sponsored by the United States Department of Health and
Human Services and the Substance Abuse Mental Health Administration, CSAT..
We thank our major 2007 sponsors: MA Bureau of Substance Abuse Services
/ DPH, City of Boston, Boston Public Health Commission, and Greater Boston
Council on Alcoholism. Thank you for your support. We will publicize all 2008
sponsors, as well as the many other Massachusetts events. MOAR to come!

MOAR is a CSAT National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month Planning
Partner. We celebrate the vision of overcoming stigma, discrimination, and other
barriers to treatment and recovery support services. We celebrate the hope and
reality of recovery for individuals and families So join the Voices for Recovery !

MOAR and Friends 18th Annual Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Celebration! Tuesday, September 23rd, Recovery Day, March, Celebration

Current Plans (Stay Posted for Changes)

- 9:00 AM Meet - Boston City Hall Plaza, Government Center
Hear - Teen Challenge Recovery Choir
Rally - Policymakers and You Speak Up for Recovery
- 9:45 AM March - to Great Hall, The State House
- 10:15 AM Celebrate - Gardner Auditorium
- 12:30 PM Visit - Your Elected Legislators
- 1:00 - 2:30 PM MA Bureau of Substance Abuse Services Recovery Month
Public Policy Dialogue and Light Lunch.

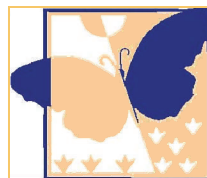
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4th Annual New England Motorcycle Ride for Recovery Sunday, September 21st, Somerville-MA to Maynard Sports Club Support from USD/HHS/SAMHSA/CSAT,

Faces and Voices of Recovery National Rally for Recovery Walk Day Saturday, September 20th

MOAR is Walking with Allston Brighton Substance Abuse Task Force
Herter Park-Brighton/Watertown Line
You can, too! Email Helen.Connolly@caritaschristi.org

Celebrations coming— Worcester, Springfield, New Bedford, Greenfield, & more!



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MOAR Takes Action News

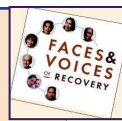
Recovery Month 2007

- A great success and celebrated by *Recovery Day at The State House, The Motorcycle Ride Celebration* with Middlesex Human Services, the Allston Brighton *Walk for Recovery* and community forums in Worcester, Springfield, Greenfield, and New Bedford, all really demonstrated the theme: **“Join The Voices for Recovery- Saving Lives, Saving Dollars”.** 9/26/07
- Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray, Recovery Advocate Kitty Dukakis, Senate President Therese Murray, Assistant Senate Majority Leader Steven Tolman, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Chairs Senator Gale Candaras, Representative Ruth Balser, with Michael Botticelli, MA Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, and many more of you provided leadership for improved public awareness.
- Let’s all work together to make Recovery Month ’08 even bigger and better by celebrating individuals and families in recovery by signing up to participate in **“Join The Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Stories”.**

MOAR Membership Celebration, 12/11/07
BPHC Families in Recovery Day, 02/20/08
MOAR Boston Public Policy Forum, 03/10/08
MOAR Alcohol Awareness Forum, 04/08/08

- **MOAR Annual Membership Celebration** - Over 200 people were inspired by “Ray’s” beautiful singing. “Ian”, a Beverly Recovery High School student and others shared their recovery stories.
- **Outstanding membership** contribution awards were given to Maureen Harvey, Brenda Souza, and Paul Kusiak.
- Jim Hiatt presented the MA Bureau of Substance Abuse Services’ excellent public awareness campaign (www.talkaboutaddiction.org)
- Dr. Edward Bernstein and Dan Mahoney provided an *SBIRT – Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral and Treatment* update about how over 2500 individuals have been screened in 6 hospital emergency rooms across the state.
- Tom Coderre, *Faces and Voices of Recovery*, applauded MOAR for hosting the FAVOR Media Training and encouraged recovery civic engagement.
- Connie Peters from Mental Health Substance Abuse Corporations and MA Coalitions shared about how to be heard and make your voice count even MOAR!
- **BPHC Families in Recovery Day** - On February 20th over 500 Recovery advocates made their voices count. Thank you to all the participants!
- **MOAR Boston Public Policy Forum** - Rossie Reps, Boston Public Health Commission, No Drug Coalitions such as Allston Brighton, Charlestown, Jamaica Plain—Roxbury, MBTAA, Recovery High School students, Connie Peters, MHSACM, Michael Botticelli- BSAS Director, Senator Tolman, Rep. Malia,, Rep Balser, Kattie Portis, City of Boston charged us with energy to spread the **Recovery Voices Count** Message.
- **MOAR Alcohol Awareness Forum**
 MOAR held its annual Alcohol Awareness Month Forum at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Worcester. AdCare Hospital helped to sponsor! Before 200 people, speakers from Boston Recovery High School, the BPHC NODrug Coalition, Allston Brighton Substance Abuse Task Force, and individuals in recovery delivered inspiring and important messages. A panel discussion moderated by Connie Peters, MHSACM, Vice President MA Coalition for Addiction Services featuring Greg Hughes, Substance Abuse Strategic Plan Director, Susan Hillis of Adcare Hospital, Maggie Giles, IHR Statewide Youth Service Director, Joanne Peterson, Learn to Cope Parent, Dan Melle, MYR Youth Crisis Stabilization, and speakers from Ex-Prisoners Organizing for Community Action (EPOCA) educated all about youth/family services, and criminal justice reform opportunities.
- **Why and How Communities can Take Action!**
- **Annual Opiate-related deaths Rise 94 to 637 between 1990 and 2006***
- More than 14 Boston Public Health NO Drug Coalitions take action by promoting community awareness with forums, walks, newsletters, parent groups, and school activities. Many have received state and federal grants to address drug overdoses and underage drinking. Let’s stay positive for the future!
- “3 City Collaborative Drug Awareness Grant” - Somerville, Everett, and Cambridge received a MA Attorney General grant to promote prescription drug abuse awareness. MOAR is pleased to partner!
- Learn to Cope Parent Support Group holds forums, vigils, and is featured in Brockton Enterprise “Wasted Lives Series” to break the cycle!

*source—MA Department of Public Health



MOAR Takes Action Opportunities Recovery Voices Count

MOAR joins *Faces and Voices of Recovery* to promote voter registration across the state. MOAR is initiating the campaign in each one of our meeting locations. The location which gets the most voters gets recognized at our Annual Meeting scheduled for December.

MOAR is a MCAS MA Coalition For Addiction Services Member
 MOAR participates in this unified voice of many other organizations to educate legislators about the need for a seamless continuum of care. Result: Budget for ‘09 publicly funded substances abuse services improved!

MOAR Invited You to The Massachusetts Alcohol and other Drug Advocacy Training Institutes based on “*The Join Together Blueprint for the States*” policies to improve the ways states organize and deliver alcohol and drug prevention and treatment. Result: About 200 new addiction recovery public policy advocates!

150 MOAR Friends Came June 19th to LACCM Know Your Rights Training - Worcester Public Library. We learned how to navigate and improve systems and policies.

Bill W. and Dr. Bob DVD Screening, MOAR Fundraiser At Right Turn, 299 Broadway, Arlington, MA A Wonderful Success Because You Care!

All proceeds went to the advancement of MOAR services for you. Contact MOAR : 617-423- 6627

What MOAR? Facts, Stats. Action Join Together Blue Print Policy Plan—2006

- Alcohol and drug-related medical visits decline 53% following treatment.
- Families receiving addiction treatment spent \$363 less per month on regular medical care.
- Addiction treatment reduces criminal activity by 80%.
- **Washington State Study -2000**
- \$23 return for every dollar spent on treatment
- **MA Health Care and Finance Policy—2004**
- Massachusetts would save \$6 to \$25 million annually by insurance parity for addiction treatment

Join MOAR to Speak up for:

- Treatment on demand to expand treatment access and duration.
- CORI—Criminal Offender Record Information reform to build recovery vs. recidivism.
- Ending insurance discrimination across the Commonwealth and USA!

MA BSAS Consumer Advisory Board Recovery Conference

On May 20th, 500 people attended the recovery conference held at the Best Western Royal Plaza in Marlborough. The conference was designed for individuals and family members embracing the challenges of recovery. Everyone walked away with learning opportunities and resources to find and enhance personal recovery.

Alan Wartenberg, MD, keynoted with inspiration and education, reaffirming to all — “Recovery is possible.”

Twelve interactive workshops covered tobacco use, gambling, Narcan, coping with HIV, re-entry & CORI, and careers in recovery. Of course, Mellisa Herren (MOAR), Patty McCarthy and Aaron Kucharski (FAVOR and NEAAR) inspired everyone with *Recovery Voices Count* opportunities. Go to www.facesandvoicesofrecovery.org for MOAR info!

Jim Hiatt, MA BASAS Constituent Liaison, and Michael Botticelli, MA BSAS Director both received very deserved MA Bureau of Substance Abuse Services Consumer Advisory Board Special Recognition Awards.

MA BSAS Consumer Advisory Board Info— Jim Hiatt, 617-624-5102

Are you or someone you know looking for services?
 Call MA Substance Abuse Services
 Information & Education Helpline
 1-800-327-5050

Persons In Recovery, Families and Friends Spread The Value Of Prevention, Treatment, And Recovery Join MOAR: Experience the Value!

- **MOAR** members, as voices for addiction recovery, inclusive of families and friends, spread the value of prevention, treatment and recovery.
- **MOAR** provides AREAS (Addiction Recovery Education Access Services), peer-driven access to recovery education, support, and leadership development.
- **MOAR** collaborates with partners such as MA Coalition for Addiction Services, MA Alliance to Reform CORI, parent groups, MBTAA, MHSACM, RHC, BPHC No Drug Coalitions, MAADAC, CASA, WMA Substance Abuse Provider Association, Everett, Cambridge, Somerville coalitions to build recovery and prevention-informed communities.
- **MOAR** via The Boston Foundation will have a part-time Membership Coordinator! Thank you!
- **MOAR Board:** Amos Marshall, Tom Delaney, Joe Kelleher, Tim Lineweaver, Rocco Antonelli Jr Woody Giessman, also, are grateful for the MA Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC), The Boston Foundation, Third Sector New England, and your support!

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MOAR Members Mobilize to:

- Know our rights
- Tell our recovery stories
- Speak up for recovery
- Increase youth, adult and family services

MOAR Members Take Action to:

- End stigma
- End treatment wait lists
- End insurance discrimination
- Support long term treatment
- Support medication assisted treatment
- Support CORI reform
- Build treatment into criminal justice
- Improve housing, education, career access
- Support recovery high schools
- Increase prevention & counseling in our schools

MOAR Invites You to Get Involved:

MOAR meets in

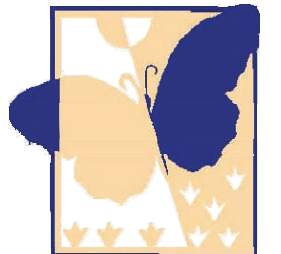
- Boston, (Jamaica Plain & East Boston)
- Worcester
- Springfield
- Marshfield
- New Bedford

MOAR MISSION

Our mission is to organize recovering individuals, families and friends into a collective voice to educate the public about the value of recovery from alcohol and other addictions.

MOAR VISION

MOAR envisions a society where addiction is treated as a significant public health issue and recovery is recognized as a significant public health issue and recovery is recognized as valuable to our communities.



Join MOAR !

MOAR membership financial support helps pay for mailings, scholarships and activities. MOAR has a Student/Volunteer Category because we understand that students and anybody can experience financial constraints. MOAR Volunteers help plan and support projects. MOAR membership drives the MOAR Mission and Vision.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Day: _____ Night: _____ Fax: _____

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MOAR Membership Categories

- Organization \$75 Founder \$50 Student/Volunteer \$0
 Individual \$20 Family \$25

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