

# BUCKS COUNTY RESOURCES

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Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc.



# We are here to help.

*Our mission is to reduce the use of tobacco and eliminate the use of illegal drugs and the abuse, misuse of and addiction to alcohol and other drugs.*

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# Stimulants

- Stimulants are a class of psychoactive drug that increases activity in the brain. These drugs can temporarily elevate alertness, mood, and awareness.
- Stimulants are classified as:
  - Cocaine/Crack
  - Methamphetamine/Crystal Meth
  - Prescription/Amphetamines:
    - Adderall
    - Ritalin

# Long-term Effects of Stimulant Use

- Significant anxiety
- Confusion
- Mood disturbances
- Violent behavior
- Psychotic features- including paranoia, visual and auditory hallucinations, and delusions
- Significant changes in the brain-reduced motor speed, impaired verbal learning, cognitive impairment, and emotional and memory concerns.

# TRENDS WITH SCA FUNDED INDIVIDUALS

Fiscal Year All levels of care	Primary (Stimulants-Meth, Amphetamines, Cocaine/Crack)	Secondary- (Stimulants-Meth, Amphetamines, Cocaine/Crack)
18-19	210	443
19-20	237	340
2020-2/28/21	86	99

# BCDAC, Inc. Stimulant Initiative

- Matrix Model Intensive Outpatient
  - Evidence Based 16-week intensive outpatient program
  - Includes other Evidenced based models
    - Cognitive Behavior Therapy
    - Motivational Interviewing
    - Contingency Management
- Contracted Providers received training to implement
- This was made possible through a grant from Today, Inc.

# Accessing Treatment

- The first step in accessing drug and alcohol treatment is an Assessment.
- The Assessments are conducted at a provider that is contracted with the insurance carrier.



# Accessing Treatment

- Private Insurance
  - The back of the insurance card has a number to call for substance/mental health services and they will direct to a contracted provider
- Medicare
  - Inpatient treatment only available for hospital level-Valley Forge Hospital, Eagleville Hospital
  - Outpatient-Family Services Association, Penn Foundation Mental Health Clinic and Penndel
- Medical Assistance/Magellan/No insurance
  - Must have an assessment within provider network





# Lower Bucks Assessment

Adults 24/7

GAUDENZIA LOWER BUCKS

501 BATH ROAD

BRISTOL, PA 19007

267-405-6530

[WWW.GAUDENZIA.ORG](http://WWW.GAUDENZIA.ORG)

WALK INS AND APPTS. AVAILABLE



# Central Bucks Assessment Sites

ADULTS

SOAR CORP

655 LOUIS DRIVE

WARMISNTER, PA 18974

[WWW.SOARCORP.ORG](http://WWW.SOARCORP.ORG)

215-444-0808

WALK IN HOURS:

MONDAY-FRIDAY 6am-1pm



# Upper Bucks Assessment Sites

ADULTS AND ADOLESCENTS

PENN FOUNDATION-THE RECOVERY CENTER

807 LAWN AVENUE

SELLERSVILLE, PA 18960

[WWW.PENNFOUNDATION.ORG](http://WWW.PENNFOUNDATION.ORG)

215-257-9999

WALK IN HOURS:

MONDAY-FRIDAY-Friday 8:30am-2:30pm

\*CALL FOR AN INTAKE PRIOR TO WALK IN



# Recovery Support Services

- BCARES
  - Bucks County Assess, Refer, Engage and Support
  - Emergency Room/Hospitalization assessments
- BCARES Family Connect
  - Family Peer Support
  - Family to Family
  - [Bcaresfamilyconnect@gmail.com](mailto:Bcaresfamilyconnect@gmail.com)
- The Council of Southeast Pa.
  - Intensive Case Managers
  - TASC case managers
  - MOMS case manager
  - Recovery Centers/Certified Recovery Specialists



# Recovery Support Services

## Penn Foundation

- Mobile Engagement Services
- Center of Excellence

## Family Services

- Center of Excellence

## Recovery Houses

- Buckscountyrecoveryhouses.com
- <https://www.bucksrecoveryhouses.com>



# BCROC/Recovery House Funding

- Bucks Magellan funded individuals only
- Once in lifetime scholarship-not eligible for SCA Recovery House Funding
- First 30 days of scholarship funding is guaranteed
- Second 30 days of funding is contingent upon meeting certain requirements
  - Compliance with treatment
  - Employment-actively seeking employment
  - Participating in Self Help Groups
- Referrals from 24 hour levels of care (inpatient substance abuse, mental health inpatient) are priority



# SCA Recovery House Funding

- Two weeks of funding available for:
  - Individuals that are not insured
  - Eligible for one time per year, contingent upon availability of funds.
  - Will not be eligible for BC-ROC Scholarship
- Attending aftercare appointment (treatment, etc.)
- Recovery Houses available:
  - Acceptance House
  - Freedom House
  - New Found Freedom
  - New Path
- Send applications to [aoc@buckscounty.org](mailto:aoc@buckscounty.org) or call 215-444-2730 for more info



# Medical Marijuana

- SCA funded individuals can only receive funding if Medical Marijuana is prescribed for physical health conditions
- Individuals seeking treating and are prescribed Medical Marijuana are encouraged to ask the prescribing doctor for verification of diagnosis.





# ACT 53

- **What is Act 53?**
- Act 53 is a law in the state of Pennsylvania that allows a parent/legal guardian to obtain a drug and alcohol assessment for their child - and, if warranted, compel the child to enter treatment. The criteria is as follows:
  - The parent/legal guardian believes their child has a drug or alcohol problem;
  - There is evidence that their child has had a drug or alcohol problem within the last 30 days – please provide specific date(s);
  - The child is unwilling to participate in a treatment program;
  - The child must be a resident of Bucks County; and
  - The child must be between the ages of 12 and 17
- If the criteria are met, BCDAC, Inc. will guide the parent/legal guardian through the Act 53 process.
- Anyone can call 215-444-2730- ask for Cindy or Chris



# Bucks County Police Assisting in Recovery (BPAIR)



- **Bucks County Police Assisting In Recovery (BPAIR)** is a program aimed towards getting help for individuals seeking substance use disorder treatment by connecting them with resources, support and services. Participating Police Departments are here to help and support adult residents of Bucks County who are looking for help or struggling with substance use disorder.

The first step for the individual seeking treatment is to visit one of the [BPAIR Police Departments](#). The Police Department will then pair the individual with a volunteer who will accompany him or her to an assessment site.



# Medication Take Back Program

## MEDICATIONS ACCEPTED

- Prescription and over-the-counter medications
  - Tablets
  - Capsules
  - Patches
  - Nasal sprays
  - Creams
  - Vitamins
  - Ointments
  - Pet medications
  - Inhalers
  - Liquid medications (check with your local department if accepted)
  - NEW: Vaping Devices

Thanks to new guidance from the DEA, and to curb the spread of a dangerous trend targeting our children, Drug Take Back boxes throughout Bucks County are now accepting vaping devices, in addition to old, unused and unwanted medications (pet meds, too!).

## MEDICATIONS NOT ACCEPTED

- Injectables
- Needles
- Illicit substances
- Thermometers
- Aerosol cans

Please visit [www.bcdac.org](http://www.bcdac.org) for the updated Take Back brochure and other details. For any questions call 215-444-2740 or email [dsfoisy@buckscounty.org](mailto:dsfoisy@buckscounty.org)



There are 44 permanent medication boxes in Bucks County. Visit [www.bcdac.org](http://www.bcdac.org) for a complete list.



# Self Help Organizations

- Alcoholics Anonymous- 1-877-934-2522
- Al-Anon-215-222-5244
- Cocaine Anonymous-215-333-7798
- Double Trouble-215-428-0404
- Dual Recovery Anonymous-1-877-883-2332
- Eating Disorders 1-800-931-2237
- Narcotics Anonymous-215-440-2400
- SMART Recovery- [smartrecovery.org](http://smartrecovery.org) (online meetings)
- Nami Bucks Support Groups: <https://namibuckspa.org/support-and-education/support-groups/online-support-groups/>



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