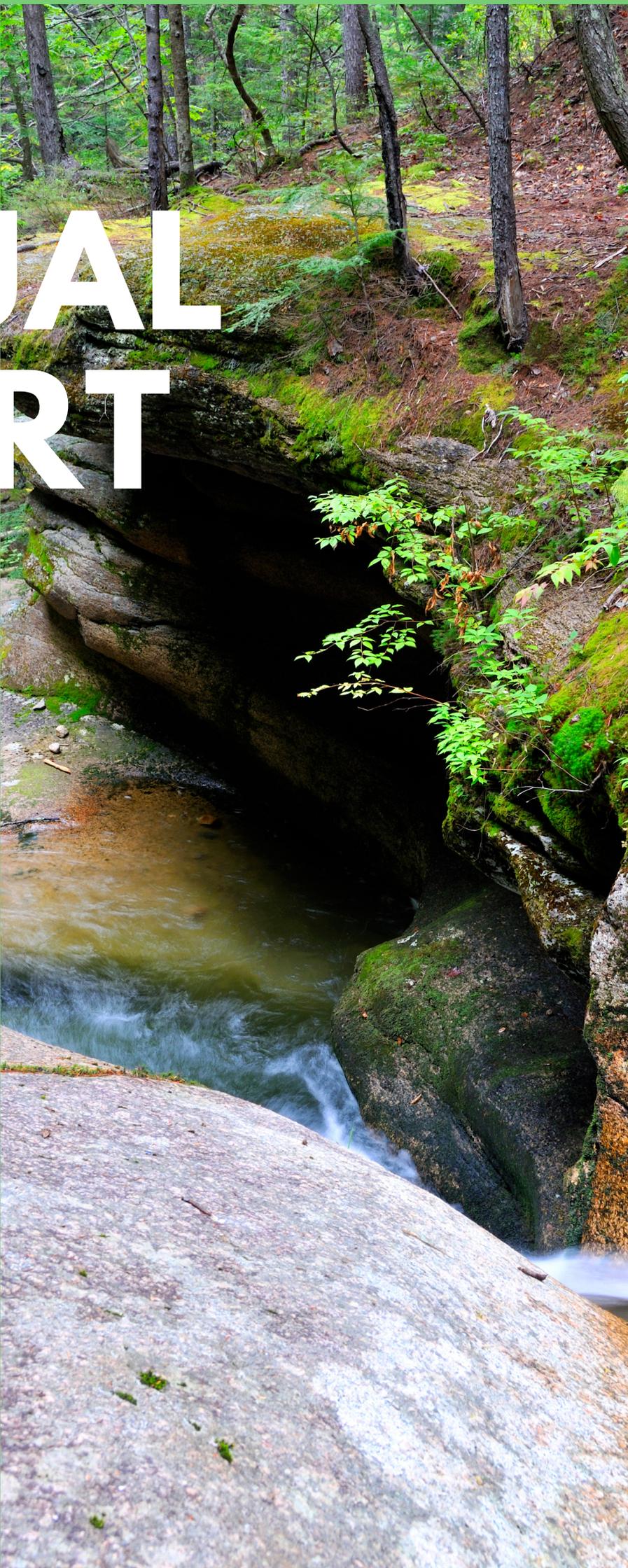


# ANNUAL REPORT 2019



**The New  
Hampshire Alcohol  
& Other Drug  
Service Providers  
Association**



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

Kerran Vigroux, BS, MPH

It is my pleasure to share the NH Providers Association's 2019 Annual Report with you. I joined the NHPA in May, 2020 and what a year it has been so far! Although I was not a part of the NHPA's successes in 2019, I would like to share that the organization worked diligently to revisit its core Vision and Mission and conducted a thorough analysis of its programs and strategic goals. As the NHPA conducted its search for a new Executive Director, former ED, Abby Shockley, led the organization from her new home in Florida, while Kiri Stroh, our Operations Director managed the day-to-day operations. The NHPA is extremely grateful to both Abby and Kiri for their dedication and investment in the NHPA.

I am happy to report that the NHPA is a fiscally responsible and sound organization, which manages its resources and assets professionally and under the diligent watch of the NHPA Board of Directors. I have been impressed by the Board's expertise and dedication to the mission of the NHPA. As I settle in to my new position as your Executive Director, I want to invite you to reach out to me with any questions or concerns, or perhaps a virtual meeting invitation. I am looking forward to working with and for the NHPA Members as we continue to move the needle on substance use in New Hampshire through our three pillars of Prevention, Treatment and Recovery.



All my best,

*Kerran*

# ABOUT THE ASSOCIATION

## **History:**

NHPA grew out of a desire among alcohol and other drug service providers to have a voice in the policy decisions affecting the prevention and treatment systems in the state. Our formation was proactive rather than reactive to a specific issue or situation. The organization was incorporated as a non-profit 501 (c) 3 in August, 2004. According to our founding documents, the original intent of NHPA was to present a strong, unified voice for members, provide information sharing and best practice opportunities, educate the public on alcohol and other drug issues, and provide ongoing support to our members. We are thrilled to be able to say that we have been steadfast in staying true to those intents and look forward to continued success.

## **Mission & Vision:**

We envision a New Hampshire with an all encompassing continuum of care that successfully addresses the public health impacts of substance use.

The mission of NHPA is to represent its members in advancing substance use prevention, treatment and recovery through public policy, leadership, professional development, and quality member services.

## **Board of Directors**

### **Executive Committee:**

John Iudice  
President

Meghan Shea  
Vice President

Michele Merritt  
Treasurer

Sue Gordon  
Secretary

### **Board Members:**

Lynne Towle  
Stephanie Heath  
Jason Gregoire  
Ryan Fowler  
Jason Snook





# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

## 2019 Revenue:

The NH Charitable Foundation Operational Grant: \$140,000

Annual Conference: \$147,823

Memberships: \$14,115

Corporate Sponsorship: \$6,500

Other Programming: \$4,400

**Total Revenue: \$312,838**

## 2019 Expenses:

Salary & Benefits: \$65,855

Annual Conference: \$131,687

Memberships: \$6,383

Shared Service Agreement: \$11,187

Sub-contracts: \$16,500

Operating Costs: \$9,790

Events & Trainings: \$4,935

Professional Development: \$18,231

Other Expenses: \$2,313

**Total Expenses: \$266,881**

# ADVOCACY

2019 brought the NHPA to our new home located within the offices of New Futures, Inc at 100 North Main Street in Concord, directly across from the State Capital. Co-locating with one of our partners and allies in advocacy ensured increased collaboration and support while allowing the NHPA to control our operational costs. We represent our members' interests at important legislative meetings, committees, hearings and task forces. We also work with the National Council on Behavioral Health to influence federal initiatives, rule making, and legislation impacting the behavioral health committee. The Providers Association is working diligently toward reducing barriers for providers in the prevention, treatment, and recovery fields. Our successful partnership with The Dupont Group, New Futures, Inc. and our members resulted in several public policy "wins" in the Substance Use Disorder and behavioral health arenas including participating in the Health Care Workforce Coalition which resulted in the 2019-2020 State budget including nearly 95 million dollars which increased Medicaid rates by 6.2% for all health care providers as well as an additional 6.5 million for loan repayment for certain medical professionals.

In 2020, NHPA will again partner with The Dupont Group to represent our members in our government affairs advocacy work as we will be engaged in health care workforce issues, including protecting the second 3.1% Medicaid rate increase for providers, administrative rules implementing new telehealth legislation following the successful passage of HB 1623 which made permanent the Governor's emergency order expanding telehealth during the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as continuing our advocacy work on licensure and certification. The NHPA Policy Committee is currently working on a Policy Direction survey which will be shared with our members this Fall. Please be sure to respond to the survey as it will help to inform our policy priorities for the coming year.



# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The NHPA is dedicated to providing quality educational opportunities that address the behavioral health policy and service needs of our members. In 2019, NHPA hosted its incredibly impactful New Hampshire Behavioral Health Summit in partnership with the NH Community Behavioral Health Association (NHCBHA) and the New Hampshire Alcohol & Drug Abuse Counselors Association (NHADACA). The Summit provided over 550 attendees with the opportunity to interact with policy makers and providers to foster information sharing, provided a platform for speakers to share evidenced-based and informed practices, and encouraged the expansion of the workforce relative to health promotion, prevention, early identification and intervention, treatment and recovery supports.

The 2019 NHPA Annual Meeting also provided an opportunity to host the well-received "Understanding and Embracing the Evolving Substance Use Service System in the Granite State" training. This training highlighted the changes in New Hampshire's substance use disorder field including the addition of a third Managed Care Organization and substantial changes to current MCO contracts, and the transformation of the state's delivery of behavioral health services through Doorways, Hubs, and Integrated Delivery Networks.

## **Are you a member of the NH Providers Association?**

Through our e-newsletter, website and trainings and conferences, the NHPA is dedicated to ensuring that our members across the continuum remain informed and ready to respond to changes in the landscape and fully understand the impacts they have on the prevention and treatment of substance use disorders. There are many benefits to membership including discounts on trainings and conferences, information sharing from National partners and professional colleagues, access to our Members-only resources on the NHPA website, access to NHPA staff to assist you in navigating licensure and certification, and having a voice in policy decisions at the state and national level.

Please visit our Member page for more information on how to join! We look forward to working with and for you.

<https://www.nhproviders.org/membership>



# SAVE THE DATE

## Join us for the 2020 NH Behavioral Health Summit

## December 7th & 8th