Treatment and Accessibilities Subcommittee Annual Report E.P.G.S.A. Area 59 Panel 73 Year 1 - 2023

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At the beginning of the year, this committee familiarized themselves with the Treatment and Accessibilities workbooks in addition to related pamphlets. We provided displays about our subcommittee at various workshops and events throughout the area this year. Our committee has met monthly on Zoom or in person before Area quarterly meeting. We did not exceed our budget of \$1900 for travel and supplies.

Our committee originally chose to focus on treatment needs in the area during this half of the panel. We offered support to all intergroups in the area who are effectively coordinating with most treatment centers. We provided support to some treatment centers not serviced by an intergroup.

We continued to support Bridging the Gap efforts throughout the Area. Relationships were built with Caron Foundation and Lancaster Behavioral Health who are referring patients directly to BTG prior to discharge from treatment.

Several accessibility concerns were raised in this first year. We provided Braille literature to several organizations. Our members also reached out to organizations for the deaf and blind who may need resources. Our members identified several new ASL and ESL interpreters for the area. We plan to primarily focus on accessibility needs as we enter the second year of our panel.

Yours in service,

Devon C.