Chris's Treatment Corner

Telehealth Support Networks

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During these uncertain times and the potential spread of COVID-19 there is a growing need for support to those with substance use disorders and or mental health needs which does not require face to face contact. The World Health Organization (WHO) defines "telehealth" as the use of telecommunications and virtual technology to deliver health care outside of traditional health-care facilities. Telehealth, which requires access only to telecommunications, is the most basic element of "eHealth," which uses a wider range of information and communication technologies (ICTs). The following is a list of support networks for individuals under supervision that they can access from home.

Women for Sobriety is an organization that provides online and phone support to all expressions of female identity to participate in their peer-support resources at: https://womenforsobriety.org/community/#supportTab-2

Self-Management and Recovery Training (SMART Recovery) is a global community of mutual support groups to help those in recovery at: https://www.smartrecovery.org/

Narcotics Anonymous By Phone began in 2008 as outreach to those who could not attend a meeting. Teleconference meetings and Cyber Phone Recovery contact information available at: http://www.nabyphone.com/

Alcoholics Anonymous Phone Meetings are available at: http://aaphonemeetings.org/ and Alcoholics Anonymous Online Intergroup offers additional online resources at: http://aa-intergroup.org/

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 1-800-273-8255. For more information, go to https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/

SAMHSA - <u>Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration</u> National Helpline (treatment locator): 1-800-662-HELP (4357) and Disaster Distress Helpline at: https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline

Charter Communications is offering free internet for 60 days to households with K-12 and college students who do not have access to internet. https://corporate.charter.com/newsroom/charter-to-offer-free-access-to-spectrum-broadband-and-wifi-for-60-days-for-new-K12-and-college-student-households-and-more

For additional information and COVID-19 guidance on treatment and testing please review the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Guidance: Probation and Pretrial Services FAQs located on the JNet.

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