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The Honorable Edward F. Cavanagh, Jr.  
Deputy Mayor - City of New York  
City Hall  
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Cavanagh:

We are aware and very concerned regarding the situation which presently exists in our city with regard to the lack of services for a large segment of our citizenry, the drug addicts. It is on their behalf that we approach you.

A step has been taken to begin a program for the hospitalization of the addict in the city, and while this is very necessary, it covers only one part of the essential treatment. Without a practical and adequate follow-up program, hospitalization is wasteful in terms of dollars and harmful to the patient who again returns to the community with no kind of support to keep him from returning to the use of drugs and the attendant crime to support his habit.

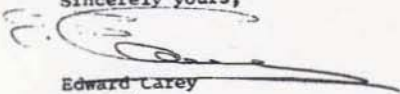
The new program set up by Dr. Rosenthal in the Narcotics Control Unit of the Board of Health, is certainly a fine step in the right direction, however, the units, set up on a neighborhoods basis leave a large part of the city with no after-care services

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for the addict, except that which has over the years been furnished by the voluntary groups. The services rendered must be strengthened and assisted by the city.

We know you have stated that you will take action in this regard, and may we assure you that we would give strong support to such a program.

Sincerely yours,



Edward Carey  
COLONEL

May 31, 1962

The Hon. Robert F. Wagner  
City Hall  
New York 7, N.Y.

Dear Mayor Wagner:

Because of our grave responsibility to the thousands of addicted men and women who have turned to us for help over the past few years, we, the members of the New York Neighborhoods Council on Narcotics Addiction, feel compelled to bring to the attention of the public their sad plight.

The Neighborhoods Council, therefore, has decided to sponsor a demonstration at City Hall on June 13th, from 11:30 to 2 P.M. We made clear in our letter of May 17th to you the situation faced in this City by the addicted and their families. A person who wants to go to a hospital has a most difficult time finding out where to go and how to get in. A person leaving a hospital or prison has no place to go for a chance to start life anew, except to a handful of private agencies.

While we commend the modest steps taken to strengthen the work of the Narcotics Co-ordinator in the Department of Health and to begin to open up more narcotics centers, the private groups who are actually working with the addicted in their neighborhoods, are in serious danger of curtailing or stopping our work for lack of support.

We recognize the difficulties faced by your administration and the financial problems the City has. The addicted, however, face far more critical problems, and have encountered only the most trivial help since your pronouncement of June, 1959 when you proclaimed a whole new approach to the problem of addiction.

There must be a strong program of aftercare and referral in the local neighborhoods if any progress in the treatment of addiction is to be made. To the end of establishing such progress, you may count on our full co-operation.

Sincerely yours,

Norman E. Eddy  
Chairman

6/12/62

CONFERENCE FOR CLERGY ON NARCOTICS ADDICTION

Sponsored by: Office of Narcotics Coordinator  
New York City Department of Health

When: Thursday, May 24, 1962 - 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Place: New York City Health Department  
Conference Room - 2nd Floor  
125 Worth Street, New York 13, N.Y.

PROGRAM

Morning Session 9:30 - 12:15

Welcome Leonard Baumgartner, M.D., Commissioner of Health

"The New York City Program for Control of Narcotics Addiction"  
Theodore Rosenthal, M.D., Narcotics Coordinator

"Responsibility of the Clergy in Combatting Narcotics Addiction"  
Rabbi I. Fred Hollander

Recess 11:00 - 11:15

"Pastoral Services for the Addict"

"In the Hospital"

The Rev. Archangel M. Sica

"In the Prison"

(The Development of Narcotics Anonymous)  
Brigadier Dorothy Barry

Lunch 12:15 - 1:15

Afternoon Session 1:15 - 4:00

"Pastoral Services for the Addict in the Parish Setting"  
The Rev. Leonard

Panel Discussion "The Role of the Clergy in a Total Program"

Panelists:

Brigadier Dorothy Barry (Salvation Army)  
The Rev. Daniel Egan (Graymoor Friars)  
Rabbi I. Fred Hollander (New York Board of Rabbis)  
Mrs. Rae Lopez (Executive Secretary, Narcotics Anonymous)  
The Rev. Francisco Rosado (Damasus Christian Church)  
The Rev. Leonard (Narcotics Anonymous)  
The Rev. Archangel M. Sica (Chaplain, Riverside Hospital)

MEMORANDUM FROM File

LESLIE SLOTE

June 14, 1962

TO: JULIUS C. C. ROSENSTEIN

Attached is the open letter to the Mayor submitted by the pickets led by Rev. Edy.

At my invitation, the group's Executive Committee met in the Mayor's Reception Room with Henry Cohen to review their proposals. They were most satisfied with this meeting and expressed the hope that Dr. Rosenthal's area of responsibility and budget would be increased.

I have asked Dr. Rosenthal to join us. He refused and appeared quite disturbed at the failure of the Board of Estimates to provide him with the necessary financial backing. I gathered he wants to get out.

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*F. M. Brown*  
*E. E. Stein*

# NEW YORK COUNCIL ON NARCOTICS ADDICTION

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

July 20, 1962

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**Norman C. Eddy**  
(East Harlem Protestant Parish)

The Honorable Robert F. Wagner  
City Hall  
New York, New York

Vice Chairman

**Edward M. Brown**  
(Lower East Side Service Center  
for Narcotics Addiction Inc.)

Dear Mayor Wagner;

**Jane S. Drouman**

(Queer Committee on  
Social Rehabilitation)

We are writing out of our concern for the long-term hospitalization for adolescent narcotics addicts. First, we wish to congratulate the City of New York and the present administration for the efforts made in increasing service to all drug addicts especially initiating After-Care programs integrated with hospitalization.

Treasurer

**Harvey W. Feldman**  
(Mobilization for Youth)

Secretary

**Brigadier Dorothy Berry**  
(Salvation Army)

Presently we are concerned that the impending closing of Riverside Hospital may be replaced only by short-term hospitalization. In our experience short-term withdrawal programs for teen-agers would be unsatisfactory. Adolescents cannot be worked with on the streets or in the neighborhoods unless they have had long term institutional treatment.

Administrative Secretary

**Thomas McKenna**

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(Welfare Aid and Service Center)

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(Narcotics Anonymous)

**George Barkman**

(Ethical Culture Society)

**Seymour Ostrow**

(East Harlem Protestant Parish)

We understand that the City is negotiating with the State to divide the responsibilities for treatment. We would lend our support to the City in pursuing this avenue. However in the event that the State would not provide long term adolescent hospitalization, we urge the City then to continue its present support of Riverside Hospital.

**Norman Liffan**

(Queer Committee on  
Social Rehabilitation)

**Mrs. Brigadier Agnew**

(Salvation Army)

**Edwin C. Faucher** — ex officio

We wish to know what the City's policy would be for adolescent hospitalization, how plans are developing, and urge upon you the crucial importance of a long term treatment facility for teen-age addicts.

Sincerely,

*Edward M. Brown*

Edward M. Brown  
Committee on Adolescent  
Addiction

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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FOR RELEASE *AM*  
*Mon 12/7/59*

An Advisory Council on Narcotics Addiction was named today by the Board of Hospitals.

Dr. George Beehr, chairman of the Board's special committee on narcotics, will also serve as chairman of the Advisory Council.

In announcing formation of the committee, Dr. Beehr described narcotic addiction as one of the most baffling social and medical problems of our time. "Current methods of treating drug addicts are unsatisfactory," he stated. "We need to test a variety of approaches to its treatment and follow-up care. We believe that we have made a major step forward with the opening of a 25-bed unit at Metropolitan Hospital for the detoxification of adult addicts who enter the hospital voluntarily. Following discharge from the hospital, patients will continue to receive psychiatric services on an out-patient basis. We expect shortly to announce the opening of a second 25-bed unit for detoxification of addicts without subsequent psychiatric care, which will serve as a means for evaluating the effectiveness of the treatment at Metropolitan. Steps will also be taken to modify the present method of treating adolescents".

Dr. Baehr added: "These steps are being taken in response to the initiative of Mayor Robert F. Wagner, who has requested the establishment in New York City of modern, enlightened treatment programs for narcotic addicts".

In view of the ramifications of the problem of addiction, the Advisory Council has been organized to include representatives of the medical, psychiatric and legal professions and of social service organizations.

One of the Council's early assignments will be to advise the Board of Hospitals on plans now under development for the care of adults, adolescents and addicts in the City's correctional institutions.

Establishment of the Advisory Council is intended to overcome a deficiency in community planning discussed in the presentment of the Queens County Grand Jury which had investigated narcotics traffic and addiction. In its presentment, handed up February 28, 1959, the Grand Jury called for steps whereby all aspects and implications of the narcotics problem would be defined and plans developed to meet them.

The members of the Advisory Council are:

Dr. George Baehr, Chairman; member, Board of Hospitals.

Dr. Leona Baumgartner, Commissioner, of the Health Department, and Chairman, Interdepartmental Health Council

Herman Bedillo, lawyer; Chairman of the 1959 East Harlem Health Crusade.



Bernard Botwin, Presiding Justice, Appellate  
Division, First Department

Stanley G. Dickinson, Chairman, Crime Prevention  
Committee of the Queens Grand Jury Association

Carl M. Loeb, Jr., President, Community Council  
of Greater New York; Chairman, Board of Correction

Dr. John E. Moseley, Chief, Roentgenology,  
Washington Heights Medical Group

Dr. Merie Nyswander, Psychiatrist; Clinical Di-  
rector, Post Graduate Institute of Psychotherapy; Author,  
"The Drug Addict as a Patient."

Dr. Harvey J. Tompkins, Chairman, Community Mental  
Health Board; Chief of Psychiatry, St. Vincent's Hospital

Jack B. Weinstein, Professor of Law, Columbia  
University; formerly chairman, Ley Board, Riverside Hospital

Charles Winick, Ph.D., Research Director, Narcotics  
Addiction Research Project; former Research Director, New  
York State Joint Legislative Committee on Narcotics Study.

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VOLUNTARY AGENCY REHABILITATION  
(The Salvation Army)

Brig. Dorothy Berry

Since its inception, one hundred years ago, The Salvation Army has been helping drug addicts. The Founder's first services, held in an empty lot, in the East End of London, had a scattering of "dope fiends" throughout the motley crowds.

Twenty years ago, the Women's Correctional Bureau became aware of a low but steady increase in the number of drug addicts that were seeking assistance. In 1946 Judge Horn asked us to assist an old time addict who was before him for sentence in Women's court. Over the years addicts have continued to come to the Bureau. In one 6 months' period the statistics showed an increase of two hundred new addicts. They came from the Women's House of Detention, Bedford Reformatory, the prison, the Federal hospital at Lexington, Ky., city and state hospitals. They came through referrals from relatives, clergy, courts and other agencies. Interviews with the addict while she is incarcerated gives an opportunity to know her before she comes to the office, also it makes her first visit easier for her, especially when she sees a familiar face in strange new surroundings.

Services available are space for our referrals at the Salvation Army Women's Lodge. Living there gives the addict an opportunity to associate with the larger, non-addict group. The program of the Bureau includes case work and counselling, court and institutional visitation, family visitation, as well as visits to the addict, clothing, meals, employment through referral to the Social Welfare Employment Bureau, and petty cash for a brief period of time.

As an aid to our rehabilitation program, and as our civic responsibility, we have sponsored the Narcotics Anonymous movement, from its beginning. One of the most important and practical groups in the field of addiction, is the New York Council<sup>on</sup> Narcotic Addiction. The program is based upon a oneness of purpose, and a oneness of effort. The Council stands ready to back any legislation or plans that will help the addict. Also there is a benefit to the member agencies, by being familiar with each other's programs, and being able to make suitable referrals to the agency best able to assist in a particular situation. Membership is based on having a program of direct ~~and~~ aid to addicts.

In order to reach the public with the message, the Bureau's programs include public speaking, motion pictures, attendance and participation in conferences, interviews on radio and television, information for students and other interested people.

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