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**The Annual Jeanne E. Jonas Professional Development Symposium
and Frank W. Masterson Memorial Banquet**

The Steering Committee for the Jeanne E. Jonas Professional Development Symposium and Frank W. Masterson Memorial Banquet, which is a collaboration amongst Mental Health Association in Orange County, Inc. (MHA), Orange County Department of Mental Health, and Orange Regional Medical Center is pleased to announce that the Symposium and Banquet will be held on **Thursday, November 16, 2017** at the Kuhl's Highland House in Middletown, New York from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm.

At the Banquet, the Masterson Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Nolly Climes, Program Director at Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. who is being recognized for many years of dedicated, professional service, and significant contributions to our County's mental health, developmental disabilities, and chemical dependency services.

The topic of this year's Jeanne E. Jonas Professional Development Symposium will be

SYMPTOMS, BEHAVIOR OR BOTH?

**“DISCOVERING NEW WAYS TO SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES THAT
MAY HAVE A HISTORY OF TRAUMA, A CO-OCCURRING MENTAL ILLNESS
AND/OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER”**

Keynote Speakers

**Dr. Robert Fletcher, Doctor of Social Work, Founder and CEO
National Association of Developmental Disabilities (NADD)**

**Dr. Russell Tobe, Board Certified Child, Adolescent and Adult Psychiatrist and Director of the Outpatient
Research Department at the Nathan Kline Institute for Psychiatric Research and
Medical Director for the Hudson Valley Region of NY START**

The cost is \$35 per person all-inclusive. For additional information or reservations, call MHA at (845) 342-2400 ext.1257 or email: clindsell@mhaorangeny.com.

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