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**All CNYSBA School Board Members, Presidents, Vice Presidents, Superintendents, Staff and Faculty are invited to join us for this special program:**

## **Exploring the Mental Health Crisis in Education**



**Thursday, November 2, 2017**

**6:00 - 7:30 pm**

**Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES**  
1879 West Genesee Street Road  
Auburn, New York 13021  
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Schools throughout the nation have identified student mental health needs as one of their biggest challenges to increased achievement. In Central New York, school district administrators and boards of education report seeing significant increases in the numbers of students impacted by mental health concerns and are looking for ways to support teachers and school building administrators as they work with students in need.

In response to CNYSBA member feedback and the successful program introduction last March, please join us for an interactive, multi-dimensional and in-depth forum. The focus will be on defining and exploring mental health needs in schools, identifying training opportunities for educators, discussing mental health and suicide prevention curricula and resources, and investigating the link between mental health and the opium and heroin epidemics.

**Our presenters and discussion facilitators:**

- Penny Williams, Youth Development Coordinator, Onondaga-Cortland-

Madison BOCES

- **Jennifer Spong**, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Support Services, Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES

As noted, the program will feature plenty of group interaction and discussion. Each participant will receive a well-stocked kit of informational and resource materials.

**Support for this program made possible by a special grant from Ashley McGraw Architects.**

Please share this invitation with members of your faculty and staff you feel would benefit from participating.

**RSVP's need to be made no later than Thursday, October 26th** to Renee Stone at [rstone@cnysba.org](mailto:rstone@cnysba.org).

We look forward to your attendance at what promises to be an important, informative and useful program for the 2017-18 school year.

Charles A. Borgognoni  
Executive Director

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