

Biography

Treasurer, NAADAC, the Association for Addiction Professionals

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Olsen has been in the chemical dependency treatment profession for the past 25 years as a member of NAADAC and the New York affiliate (AAPNY). Olsen served as the chairperson of the AAPNY Public Policy committee and began work on state licensure for addiction professionals. Also through that committee AAPNY became a strong and vocal advocate in New York State Parity Legislation called "Timothy's Law".

On the state level, Olsen is a member of the Workforce Committee for the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services and member of the Credentialing sub-committee. On the local level, he is a member of the advisory board for Suffolk Community College Chemical Dependency Counseling Program. Olsen also serves as a member of the Education Advisory Committee for the Suffolk Coalition Against Chemical Dependencies as well as a member of the Substance Abuse committee for the Ryan White Foundation for HIV/AIDS.