

Joe Pickering  
Bangor

Too many in the cemeteries ! Too many in jails ! Maine does not need another "study" for 18 months while doing nothing on urgent needs that need to be met ! Please read the articles I have written or participated in re: our son Chris who had schizophrenia and died tragically. Neither his state caseworker at DHHS or his service provider at CHCS needed another "study." They needed the laws to be changed, funding be provided and stigma and discrimination to be ended !! Call these disorders Brain Disorders and addictions which begin prior to birth. Maine also needs to call in the non profit national advocacy center from Arlington, Virginia which has worked with over 30 states to make improvements in its laws. Please read below, it is urgent !  
Thank you.

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Dec 07, 2020 · Christopher Pickering died in a fire in his Bangor apartment on Nov. 12.

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Letters to the editor for Monday, April 26, 2021

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Author: Charles Eichacker

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