

**ALCOHOL & DRUG POLICY COUNCIL (ADPC)**

**Criminal Justice Sub-Committee**

Meeting of September 6, 2023

Virtual TEAMS Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Sandra Violette, Barbara Lanza, Callyn Priebe, David Rentler, Dina Maulucci, Katherine Ramos, Christopher Cardella, Jenna Fuld, Francisco DeJesus, Haley Russenberger, Justin Alves, Rudy Marconi, Jenifer Yarsawich, Michael Hines, Michelene Longo, Kevin Neary, Daniel Varley, Joseph Murgo, Julia Horan, Danielle Ebrahimi, and Inés Eaton

Topic	Discussion	Action
<b>Introductions:</b>	Katherine Ramos and Rudy Marconi (Opioid Settlement)	
<b>Additions to Agenda/ Review Minutes:</b>	No agenda items added. Minutes approved.	Approved
<b>Xylazine Training - Opioid Response Network</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Xylazine is readily available as a veterinary tranquilizer.</li><li>• Tested by FDA and not approved for human consumption.</li><li>• There are no risks to bystanders.</li><li>• Purchased and mixed with other substances, mostly opioids, to add sedative effects.</li><li>• More prevalent in Hispanic and Black population.</li><li>• Causes abnormal severe skin wounds regardless of how ingested.</li><li>• Naloxone does not work, as it is not an opioid.</li><li>• Other concerns associated with sedation:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Long periods of immobility</li><li>○ At risk of dangerous elements, sexual assault, and robberies</li></ul></li><li>• Best practices:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Administer naloxone</li><li>○ Place in recovery position</li><li>○ Check for pulse breathing</li><li>○ Provide rescue breathing and oxygen as needed</li><li>○ Reposition</li></ul></li></ul>	

<b>Treatment Pathway Program (TPP) Presentation - Mike Hines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Started in 2015 as an opioid diversion program at arraignment.</li> <li>• CCSU to research the program.</li> <li>• Located in Bridgeport, New London, Torrington, Waterbury, Danielson, Manchester, New Britain, and New Haven.</li> <li>• At arraignment are identified by bail staff to provide care to those who are ill with addiction and have little access to care.</li> <li>• From April 2015 to April 2023, TPP completed 2576 screenings and admitted 1420.</li> <li>• Recovery coaches have made a big impact to engagement.</li> <li>• 64% are admitted to treatment within a day. 85% within 3 days.</li> <li>• Admissions included White 54% , African American 21%, and Hispanic 25%.</li> <li>• 78% of disposed TPP clients have non-incarceration sentences.</li> <li>• 71% are not re-arrested.</li> <li>• 70% of clients on MAT completed TPP.</li> </ul>	
<b>Opioid Settlement Recommendation Discussion:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Website link will contain detailed instructions for electronic submissions.</li> </ul>	Katherine Ramos will provide link when available.
<b>Recommendations: ESI MAT at DOC</b>	ESI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ESI has been going through site visits by DMHAS.</li> </ul> MAT at DOC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking to expand to additional facilities.</li> </ul>	
<b>Workgroup Updates: Recovery Coaches and the CJ population</b>  <b>Evaluate/Review training requirement for CJ professional</b>	Plan to start putting together mapping of CT Recovery Coach/Peer resources based on surveys received. DMHAS is also mapping and collaborate on this work.  Training reviews completed- presented recommendations for shared resources and periodic reviews of training standards. Group will continue to meet to formalize recommendation for the full ADPC.	
<b>Plans for next meeting:</b>		Email <a href="#">Danielle</a> with new ideas, initiatives, and suggestions for CJ sub-committee

		recommendations and/or agenda items.
<b>Next meeting:</b>	October 4 <sup>th</sup> at 1 pm via <a href="#">TEAMS</a>	
<b>Next ADPC meeting:</b>	October 17 <sup>th</sup> 10am - 12 pm in Person	