

ALCOHOL & DRUG POLICY COUNCIL (ADPC)

Criminal Justice Sub-Committee

Meeting of October 5, 2022

Virtual TEAMS Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Sandra Violette, Barbara Lanza Gail Hardy, David Zanelli, Brian McManus, Julia Horan, Frankie DeJesus, Bobby Lawlor, Evan Dantos, Lisa Deane, Frambiel Rodriguez, Daena Murphy, Karl Jacobson, Rose Dell, Joseph Murgo, Karolina Wytrykowska, Danielle Ebrahimi, and Inés Eaton

| Topic | Discussion | Action |
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| Introductions: | New attendees were introduced. | |
| Additions to agenda/ Review Minutes: | No agenda items added. | Approved Minutes will be resent |
| Narcan Update: | A new Narcan Coordinator will be assigned, as Erica Rogers left the position. | Postponed |
| DOC CDC Position | Julia Horn has a new position at DOC through the CDC Foundation. She provides Narcan and overdose awareness as well as prevention messaging to inmate's family members. She also provides linkages to care coordination. | |
| Launch of Drug Checking Initiative: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HIDTA and DPH are partnering to offer drug checking equipment in Bridgeport, Hartford, and Bridgeport to identify the illicit substances may be causing overdoses in the community and how the illicit drug market is changing.• Training was offered in September for the communities.• New London will be added in the near future. | |
| Recommendations: ESI, MAT at DOC | <p>MAT at DOC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10 facilities offer methadone• 2 facilities offer suboxone <p>ESI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grants closed on 9/30/22. DMHAS will offer funding under SOR.• Resource coordinators may be working without a contract• The Department of Justice is looking to identify funds to continue• Data collection and analysis is pending. | |

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| <p>Workgroup formation:</p> <p>Recovery Coaches and the CJ population</p> <p>Evaluate/Review training requirement for CJ professional</p> | <p>Recovery Coaches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This workgroup is being established to evaluate and assess who in the CJ population has access to recovery coaches and develop best practices. Danielle, Sandra, Frankie, and Brian are interested in participating in the workgroup. <p>Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This workgroup is being established to assess trainings offered to CJ professionals (police, DOC, DMHAS, CJ providers, etc.). Recommendation may include general updates, use of evidence-based practices, update language and relevant topics, requirements on pre-service vs in-service, etc. Danielle, Sandra, Karolina, Bobby and Frambiel are interested in participating in this workgroup | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian will chair the CJ Recovery Coach workgroup. CSSD and Cornell Scott will identify and assign a staff person. OPM may assign a person as well. Karolina will chair the Training workgroup. Any members interested in joining a workgroup should contact Danielle. |
| <p>Other:</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns over Halloween candy and fentanyl was discussed. There are no new indications that this is a new threat. Halloween candy and other common holiday items like toy boxes are used to transport illicit substances. | |
| <p>Plans for next meeting:</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ESI data and analysis. Update from newly established workgroups. | <p>Email Danielle with new ideas, initiatives, and suggestions for CJ sub-committee recommendations and/or agenda items.</p> |
| <p>Next meeting:</p> | <p>November 2nd at 1 pm via TEAMS</p> | |
| <p>Next ADPC meeting:</p> | <p>December 20th 10am - 12 pm</p> | |