

ALCOHOL & DRUG POLICY COUNCIL (ADPC)

Criminal Justice Sub-Committee

Meeting of December 1, 2021

Virtual TEAMS Meeting

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| Topic | Discussion | Action |
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| Introductions | | Completed |
| Review of Minutes | | Approved |
| Narcan Safety Lock Boxes - CSSD | <p>DOC had previously reported looking to purchase lock boxes that will have Narcan, supplies, and instruction which will be available in halfway houses. These boxes come with or without an alarm.</p> <p>Similarly, CSSD is also looking to purchase and make available the Narcan lock boxes for both adult and juvenile at the residential programs funded by CSSD. Lock boxes will be purchased and installed by February 2022. CSSD is looking into having Clients trained when admitted into residential programs.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSSD to find out if CSSD clients are allowed to carry Narcan in residential facilities. • CSSD to look at overdose data related to their transitional housing programs. |
| Recommendation Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ESI • MAT at DOC | <p>ESI discussion postponed.</p> <p>MAT Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corrigan-Radgowski Correctional Center will begin dispensing Methadone by January 2022. • Osborn Correctional Institution will begin dispensing Methadone by the end of December 2021 • Expanding to Garner CI with vendor RNP hope to begin sometime in the Spring of 2022. • Extended release Vivitrol has been rolled out to all male facilities effective September 1, 2021. • Health Services Department continues to provide collaboration at DOC facilities to connect outside partners (OTPs) with DOC medical staff. | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCCHC is working closely with our OTP partners and DOC facilities in the accreditation process. | |
| <p>DOC Narcan Update</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parole and Community Services Division within the Department of Corrections has finalized their policy for NARCAN distribution to allow Parole Officers to identify individuals on their case load that are at high risk for overdose and provide them with an NARCAN kit. The offender will be trained on signs of overdose and provided with a NARCAN kit from their Parole Officer. • In an effort to increase access to NARCAN inside of the contracted provider Halfway Houses, the DOC is purchasing alarmed boxes that contain NARCAN and will strategically place them inside of houses with multiple floors. This will decrease the response time for the overdose victim to receive NARCAN. It will also alert staff faster that there is an overdose emergency inside of the house, and increase the amount of offenders that are trained on NARCAN administration and signs of overdose as it will become part of the orientation to the Halfway House. • DOC has added a link on their website to a generic email account doc.narcan@ct.gov that allows friends and families of inmates to contact the NARCAN coordinator for training and education about overdose, how to administer NARCAN, and how to obtain their own NARCAN kit. This has been successful, because some family members prefer to remain anonymous and not identify the offender they are connected with. • NARCAN training, education, and distribution continues throughout all of the Correctional Facilities. It also continues to be offered to the sponsors of the discharging inmates and offenders completing their stays in the halfway houses. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOC to provide information on whether DOC clients in halfway houses are allowed to carry Narcan. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overdose tracking notification system recently implemented to increase the accuracy of overdose data collection of offenders on community supervision. | |
| <p>Workgroup Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police/Training • Community Resources | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police/Training – jail diversion program through BH Care and Communicare with East Haven police and some surrounding police departments. Launched November 2021 to offer telephonic psych support. Police concern over liability of using telephonic psych support instead of hospital referral. Mobile psych support is also available as appropriate. If not used, contact information will be shared with BH Care/Communicare for follow up engagement and after care. • Community Resources - waiting to hear about ways to involve public health committee in letting CSP modify the direction on Narcan mailing. SUD Waiver may impact access to services potentially leading to increase in recidivism or returns to hospital. | |
| <p>2022 Brainstorming</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtain information on ECSU program for SW students to do internships at the police department. • Medicaid access in the correctional system- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ pretrial clients to maintain status instead of suspending services. Helps with reduction in paperwork and continuity of care. Massachusetts, Ohio, and Washington are not changing/suspending their status. ○ Medicaid to become active before discharge for improved transitions to community services. • Updated information/impact of SUD 1115 waiver. • DMHAS to provide information on how federal funds are utilized with the different programs. • Obtain information on how Stamford police implemented having a SW embedded within the department who offers many connections and follow ups. • POST training of police and social worker. | <p>Joe to send information on how other states are handling Medicaid entitlements with the incarcerated population.</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Housing and work/vocational limitations not available because of criminal history. | |
| Next Sub-Committee Meetings | 1 st Wednesdays of the month 1-2:30 pm TEAMS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• January 5th | |
| Next scheduled meeting of the ADPC | Tuesday December 21, 2021 at 10 am | |