ALCOHOL & DRUG POLICY COUNCIL (ADPC) Criminal Justice Sub-Committee

Meeting of June 1, 2022 Virtual TEAMS Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Brian McManus, Michael Hines, Danielle Ebrahimi, Bobby Lawlor, Karolina Wytrykowska, Sandra Violette, Yashira Pepin, Barbara Lanza, Deana Murphy, Lisa Puglisi, David Rentler, Erica Rogers, Frambiel Rodriguez, Barbara Lanza, Regina Rush- Kittle

Topic	Discussion	Action
Introductions	New attendees introduced	
Additions to agenda/ Review Minutes	Minutes Approved- April Minutes	
Narcan Update	DOC Narcan Update: DOC is working with New Haven court Judicial Marshalls to be able to distribute Narcan to 2 identified groups of individuals: those individuals who have unplanned discharges from DOC who are released at court and those individuals who may not have gone to DOC but are released from court (individuals held at local lock up). Details such as how much Narcan will be needed/volume of releases and protocols for distribution currently being worked on. Lisa Puglisi Narcan Update: Dr. Puglisi reported that she has been in conversation with DCP re: Narcan and mailing it to family members of individuals releasing from DOC.	
	Discussion re: continued increase in overdose deaths in the state and regulation barriers to individuals having immediate and easy access to Narcan. Potential recommendation to the full council to address this issue to reduce barriers and make Narcan more accessible.	
Chair Person Selection Process/	Reviewed the Chair Selection Process document- no questions at this time.	
Membership	Membership: Discussed the plan to review the current membership list and remove those who are no longer attending and reach out to those who have missed the past few meetings to determine interest and/or suggested replacement for representation. A few areas discussed: -Police-suggestion to reach out to additional Police representation to ensure we have a variety, i.e. small town vs. large police department and state police. Recommendation to request 2 representatives to ensure availability for meetings. Recommendation to reach out to UNH Center of Advanced Policing director to determine his interest in joining the subcommittee.	Bobby to reach our to UNH contact

	-DOC- recommendation to invite varied positions i.e. individuals who oversee half-way houses, possibly a DOC counselor, etc.	Erica to reach out to Meriden Police Chief
Recommendations:	MAT at DOC: 10 th facility (Garner) now provides access to MAT. 10 out of 13 DOC	
ESI, MAT at DOC	facilities have MAT available. Any individual at a facility that does not have MAT can be transferred to ensure they have access. Currently Vivitrol and Methadone are the primary medications available, still working on expanding Suboxone. 700-800 DOC incarcerated individuals are currently on MAT.	
Workgroup updates (Police/Training (Tool Kit), Community Resources)	Bobby Lawlor updated the group: partnering with the University of New Haven's Center for Advanced Policing working to create a guide/better way to frame press releases/communications.	
	New Grant: BH Care working to do post overdose outreach.	
	Community Drug checking, 4 machines that will provide access to community drug testing. 2 from CT DPH- Hartford and New Haven and 2 additional via a grant which will target the pipeline from New York through Vermont.	
	Update on 2 grants developed with Police workgroup: BH Care PD/ 24/7 support program- the program is working with 6 police departments to provide information on the program availability. At this time referrals directly to the program are low, however, there has been an increase in calls to Mobile Crisis teams so clients are getting increased supports- they are working on data collection to capture that increased support.	

	Re-Entry Program- continues to accept referrals and providing telephonic supports while incarcerated- setting up a virtual meeting process for engagement. Once released they offer immediate assistance, some clients do not engage once released while others are consistently meeting with program staff. Barriers include lack of phone numbers and housing.	
Plans for next meeting	No plans suggested	
	No July meeting	