

Alcohol and Drug Policy Council
Prevention Subcommittee

Meeting Summary

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| Meeting Date / Location: | | Monday, September 19, 1:30PM-3:30PM, Microsoft Teams Meeting | | | |
| | | This meeting was broadcast live via CT-N. | | | |
| Committee Members | | | | | |
| x | Alison Karimi (DCF Agency Support) | x | Giovanna Mozzo | x | Robert Kanehl |
| x | Allison Fulton | | Ingrid Gillespie | | Robert Lawlor |
| x | Andrew Lyon | x | Jennifer Sussman | x | Sarju Shah (DMHAS Agency Support) |
| | Anna Gasinski | | Judith Stonger | x | Scott Szalkiewicz |
| x | Carleen Zambetti | x | Kristi Olds | | Shobha Thangada |
| x | Colleen Violette | | Nancy Kingwood | | Surita Rao |
| | Daniel Tobin | | Nathaniel Rickles | x | Tom Fulton |
| x | Deborah Lake | | Rebecca Allen | x | Tom Russo |
| | Don Maleto | | Rodrick Marriott | | |
| Supporting Leadership & Other Participants | | | | | |
| x | Diana Shaw | x | Kelley Edwards | x | Stephanie Welch |
| x | Samantha Allard | x | Allison Sullivan | x | Alison Wiser |
| x | Ramona Anderson | x | Mohd Dar | x | Wendy Mill |
| x | Karonesa Logan | x | Heather Clinton | x | Robin Tousey-Ayers |

| TOPIC | DISCUSSION | ACTIONS / DECISIONS |
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| Welcome Review of Minutes | <p>The meeting began at 1:32pm</p> <p>Approval of meeting minutes from last meeting.</p> | <p>Minutes Approved</p> |
| Quarterly Federal Grant Updates | | |
| (a) DMHAS – Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs | <p>SAMHSA funding for five years (until 9/29/26) to reduce non-medical use of prescription drugs.(Change the Script SPF-RX2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Guide to Opioid Use Prevention developed by Prevention training center.org. • Student Learning Program. Adopt a Health District Program developed for students in MPH and UConn School of Pharmacy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The expectation of student placement to build capacity, implement prevention strategies, strengthen workforce, identify gaps and needs. ○ Program and Curriculum developed for students in MPH and UConn School of Pharmacy. Key Partners: UConn, DPH, DCF, DHMAS, CHDHI. Guiding documents for school (SERC working with Stamford School District) ○ Survey was directed to Health Department and District Directors to see if they were interested in the program. Five districts. ○ Data Collection will be done by State Epidemiological and Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW) for data - next steps will be building | <p>Contact: Stephanie (Moran) Welch Stephanie.welch@ct.gov</p> |

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| | <p>curriculum, student placements in process. Data subcommittee is covering, continuing to engage key partner (SPARS Data Entry)</p> | |
| <p>(b) DMHAS – State Opioid Response (SOR)</p> | <p>SOR funded in 2020 to DMHAS from SAMHSA for two years to reduce opioid overdose related deaths. (09/29/22 end date). Applied for another round of SOR funding and expecting to hear back at the end of the month. NOTE: This portion of SOR funded activities is related to prevention.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus was on Education and Awareness Training for Workforce • Mobile Resource Van - 11 events reaching 6,855 people, included billboards and PSA's. • Coalition Mini Grants to support OUD Awareness, Safe Storage and Disposal of prescription drugs at the local level • Partnered with United Way of CT (211) for lock box distribution. • Overdose Prevention and Harm Reduction – RBHAOs supported the training of over 200 individuals on Narcan administration and 346 kits distributed. • Academic Detaining - 135 pharmacists/ prescribers participated in this initiative. Finishing up exit interviews to identify gaps and improve the program. | <p>Presented by: Stephanie (Moran) Welch</p> <p>Contact: Kelley Edwards Kelley.edwards@ct.gov</p> |
| <p>(c) DCF – Project ASSERT</p> | <p>Alison Wiser presented and gave the Assert Grant update. Funding is from SAMSHA/CSAT and no cost extension ended on September 30th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCF partnered with DMHAS and CSSD, Beacon Health and UConn Health treatment providers for training entities and to support. • Increase access to evidence-based model for Opioid use among 16-21year old introduced, Hype Recovery. Originally 4 teams and then added 2 more so that it is available in all 6 Regions. • Collected intake GPRA data from participants. • Prepare the emerging an existing workforce to provide the highest quality of care, workforce training and skill building related to SUD treatment. • Another goal is social marketing to reduce stigma and to encourage screening and building awareness of available supports and treatment. • Assisted Intervention Matching Tool (AIM) version 1 launched on 8/5/22 for use by DCF. Next version will be launched in September 2022 for use by community providers and families doing the work. The vision is for the Aim tool to be expanded beyond in home services to include outpatient and community services. • Gain Q4 Development with Chestnut Health System to expand access to EBA(GAIN) that align with CT's requirements for Chestnut providing paper and electronic version of the tool | <p>Contact: Alison Wiser awiser@uchc.edu</p> |
| <p>(d) DPH – OD2A CDC Grant</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OD2A CDC Funded Grant for 3 years to extend for an additional year. They are funded until 8/31/23 • Overdose Data to update ADPC Prevention • OD2A focuses on understanding and tracking the complex and changing nature of the drug overdose | <p>Contact: Colleen Violette Colleenn.violette@ct.gov</p> |

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| | <p>epidemic and highlights the needs for seamless integration of data into preventive strategies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration with DCF/Prescription Drug Monitoring System • Contracted with 7 local health departments(Harford, Ledge Light Health District, Waterbury, New Britain, Milford, Torrington and Quinnipiac) to work on Prevention and Response. • Also contracted with: Planned Parenthood of Southern New England; CT Comprehensive Pain Center (UConn Health) subcontract with UConn School of Dental Medicine for Pain Management; and, CT Harm Reduction Alliance. Mobile Van service with portable rapid drug testing instrumentation. Spectrometers will be available for real time drug testing. • DPH progressive Web App Norasaves.com- contract with Yale School of Medicine to evaluate Good Samaritan Law • Collaboration with Department of Correction through a MOA. • Evaluate and disseminate communication, campaign and messaging. • Robin Tousey-Ayers added that they received a request from DOC for materials because they are doing an internal workforce development with their staff. | |
| <p>State Review on Naloxone Update</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After the last meeting, a subset of the Prevention subcommittee met to discuss how to increase awareness of naloxone. • During the meeting the following discussions occurred: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A group keeps Naloxone in a box similar to what a heart defibrillator would be kept in. ○ Can people under age 18 be trained on how to administer Naloxone? ○ Having Naloxone in Public areas as an (AED). • In response to training those under age – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Giovanna Mozzo shared that individual's under age 18 have participated in-person training, but were not prescribed Narcan kits. ○ Deborah Lake recommended to review the document from 2015 Guidelines for Opioid Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution (DPH) that provided guidance. • Scott reported that Sober houses have Naloxone in them. They have a lock box and people know where they are, when to open them. An alarm goes off and everyone who needs to be alerted is alerted. • Just in Time Training (JIST) - Scott shared we should find out where the problems are, what are hospitals doing with CCARTS and other donations and possibly include hospital preparedness into the discussion. Additionally, we are missing input from EMS system and First Responders. • Judith Stronger and Allison Fulton recommended that additional discussion is needed on awareness and availability of naloxone, review of other states best | <p>Motion: Allison Fulton moved to convene a Naloxone Workgroup. Robert Kanehl seconded the motion. Committee approved.</p> <p>Next Steps: Recommendation to convene a Naloxone Workgroup through the Prevention Subcommittee to (1) increase public awareness; (2) establish standard minimum training requirements; (3) eliminate barriers, and (4) improve access to naloxone statewide.</p> <p>Allison Fulton asked for approval to bring this to the October ADPC meeting.</p> <p>Scott Szalkiewicz, Ramona Anderson, Kelley Edwards volunteered to sit on workgroup.</p> |

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| | <p>practices, how prescribing pharmacists are protected, and forming a minimum training requirement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Allison Fulton recommending looking at different modalities of access including hospitals, pharmacies and community-level, ○ Allison Fulton recommend to invite Nate Rickles and Luiza Barnat to the workgroup ○ Deborah Lake asked if the workgroup could explore training youths in the administration of naloxone. ○ Allison moved to formally create a Naloxone workgroup, Robert Kanehl second the motion, and no one opposed. | <p>Is there any talk about a 2–3-minute video on how to administer Naloxone?</p> <p>Scott is going to follow up with Jim Peters, Yale Preparedness Coordinator.</p> |
| <p>Presentation: Cannabis Prevention Recommendations</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarju Shah presented the work of the Cannabis Workgroup. The cannabis workgroup was formed under the Prevention subcommittee after the passing of PA 21-1 to develop recommendations to limit and reduce youth access to cannabis. • The cannabis workgroup utilized a worksheet developed by the Prevention Technology Transfer Center Network to identify where current and proposed regulations and policies are strong and where more specific prevention informed approaches may be needed. • Sarju walked through cannabis policy matrix and invited questions and feedback from the group. Subcommittee members were requested to review the matrix and complete the survey by 9/30/22. | <p>Contact: Sarju Shah Sarju.Shah@ct.gov</p> <p>Next Steps: Review the Cannabis Recommendation Matrix.</p> <p>Complete the Survey by 09/30/22</p> <p>The group can share any recommendations they may have for any language changes in the Cannabis Prevention Recommendations.</p> |
| <p>Workgroup Updates</p> | <p>No additional updates were provided.</p> | |
| <p>Future topics presentation</p> | <p>No future presentations suggested at this time</p> | |
| <p>Other / Member updates</p> | <p>Allison Fulton shared International Overdose Awareness Day photos via email.</p> | |
| | <p>The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm. <u>Next Prevention Subcommittee Meeting:</u> Monday, October 17, 2022: 1:30 – 3:30pm <u>Next Full ADPC Meeting:</u> Tuesday, October 18th 10:00am – 12:00pm</p> | |