

Alcohol and Drug Policy Council
Prevention Subcommittee

Meeting Summary

Meeting Date / Location:		Monday, October 17, 1:30PM-3:30PM, Microsoft Teams Meeting			
Committee Members					
x	Alison Karimi (DCF Agency Support)	x	Giovanna Mozzo	x	Robert Kanehl
x	Allison Fulton	x	Ingrid Gillespie	x	Robert Lawlor
x	Andrew Lyon		Jennifer Sussman	x	Sarju Shah (DMHAS Agency Support)
x	Anna Gasinski	x	Judith Stonger	x	Scott Szalkiewicz
	Carleen Zambetti	x	Kristi Olds		Shobha Thangada
x	Colleen Violette		Nancy Kingwood	x	Surita Rao
	Daniel Tobin		Nathaniel Rickles		Tom Fulton
x	Deborah Lake		Rebecca Allen	x	Tom Russo
x	Don Maleto		Rodrick Marriott		
Supporting Leadership & Other Participants					
x	Diana Shaw	x	Alison Wisner	x	Stephanie Welch
x	Samantha Allard	x	Allison Sullivan	x	Deborah Daniel
x	Ramona Anderson	x	Kelly Leppard	x	Wendy Mill
x	Karonesa Logan				

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS / DECISIONS
<p>Welcome</p> <p>Review of Minutes</p>	<p>The meeting began at 1:32pm</p> <p>Approval of meeting minutes from last meeting.</p>	<p>Minutes Approved</p>
<p>Federal Grant Award Update – Strategic Prevention Framework – Partnerships for Success</p>	<p>DMHAS was awarded a 5 year grant totaling \$6.25M with a focus on underage drinking prevention in 12 preselected communities. The goals of the award are twofold: (1) reduction of alcohol consumption among youth ages 12-17 and to build community readiness, capacity and resources to address underage drinking prevention in the selected communities.</p> <p>The communities were selected based on information identifying historically underserved and underfunded towns and cities and included into the grant application. Selected communities are: Region 1: Stanford; Region 2: Ansonia, Derby and East Haven; Region 3: Ashford, Chaplain and Brooklyn; Region 4: Bolton, East Hartford and East Windsor; Region 5: Thomaston and North Canaan. Communities will utilize the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) to complete a needs assessment, strategic plan and implementation plan. Funds will be utilized to build on existing resources to implement environmental strategies known to be effective in reducing youth alcohol use, including but not limited to retail and social access policy change and enforcement.</p> <p>DMHAS Prevention and Health Promotion Division will administer the program, with evaluation conducted by Center for Prevention, Evaluation and Statistics (CPES), DCP Liquor Control will support conducting the alcohol compliance study and the</p>	<p>Contact: Stephanie Welch Stephanie.Welch@ct.gov</p> <p>Next Steps: Updates will be provided during the quarterly updates.</p>

	<p>Prevention Subcommittee is the advisory board for the award. The Alcohol Compliance Study will create a baseline for retail sales for minors statewide; and will include continued compliance checks as well throughout the life of the award.</p> <p>Please note, that a competitive RFP will be utilized to select sub-recipients and additional information will be forthcoming.</p> <p>Questions/Comments: Andrew Lyon mentioned that North Canaan recently received a Drug Free Community funding and asked how that implementation be considered in the community selection. Stephanie Welch mentioned that th this falls under the RFP process.</p> <p>Giovanna Mozzo asked the timeline of the RFP. Stephanie Welch mentioned that it will be listed on the DAS RFP website and to keep checking that website.</p> <p>Allison Fulton asked how the communities were selected. Stephanie Welch explained as part of the application process, CPES pulled prevention data, and looked at state and federal funding related to prevention which was conducted in the spring.</p>	
<p>Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) within the CT DOC, presentation by Deborah Daniel, RN, BSN, Department of Public Health</p>	<p>Deborah Daniel, Opioid Services Coordinator for CT Department of Public Health supporting the Department of Correction. She works in consort with Deputy Warden Sandra Violette. MOUD expansion project is done with support from DPH, DMHAS and DOC and includes vendor partners – APT Foundation; Recovery Network of Programs and CHR.</p> <p>Presentation began with a brief history of addiction treatment at CT DOC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addiction Services Unit began through a special act in the 1970s • 1988 is when DOC first began the opioid treatment program (OTP) at York Correctional Institution • 2002 Required licensing for all substance abuse counselors • 2013 first vendor based program at New Haven Correctional center • 2014 second program opened • 2018 additional programs opened <p>Expansion Barriers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At the York Correctional Institution – staff were required to dissolve methadone tablets for 100+ individuals daily (Manual/ labor intensive process) - They were able to expand to vendor run programs and were meeting capacity for those individuals that were on maintenance only. Difficulties related to transporting large number of methadone doses - Since not all facilities have an OTP program; there was a challenge with populations transferring to other facilities and also with security levels <p>Next steps</p>	<p>Contact Deborah Daniel Deborah.Daniel@ct.gov</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DPH/DOC is working to expand current facilities. Currently program within 10 facilities - Looking to enhance medication delivery system (dispensing equipment and software) - Offers all 3 of FDA approved medications for MAT - Governor assigned \$8M over 2 years plus \$6M to support OTP. Funding was not for hiring staff therefore looked into vendors to support program; increase medications and infrastructure. Additional funding from SOR for a Naloxone Coordinator <p>Ingrid Gillespie asked what type of trends is she seeing or hearing of. Deborah Daniel mentioned that facilities have different cultures and each has their own set of challenges. An example provided, was issues for privacy of inmates who need to get their medications. Another challenge is to receive buy-in and full support from staff.</p>	
<p>Recommendation: Convene a Naloxone Workgroup for the Prevention Subcommittee</p>	<p>Allison Fulton provided information on the recommendation to convene a Naloxone Workgroup for the Prevention subcommittee.</p> <p>Allison Fulton moved to accept the recommendation to be approved by the Prevention Subcommittee, Robert Kanehl seconded; all were in favor. Motion Passed.</p>	<p>Allison Fulton</p> <p>Motion Approved</p> <p>Next Steps Submit to ADPC meeting on 10/18/22</p>
<p>Workgroup Updates</p>	<p>Cannabis Workgroup – Presentation to the ADPC for 10/18. Public Education Campaign to launch in October. Thanked committee members for their work and engagement through the process.</p> <p>Media Stigma workgroup – next meeting on 10/21</p>	
<p>Other / Member updates</p>	<p>Alison Karimi mentioned it was Intimate Partner Violence month. There will be purple flags planted on 10/18. Also mentioned substance use disorders can exacerbate IPV. Please refer to the following training for more information. https://www.ctcadv.org/training-events/wisdom_wednesday/</p> <p>Additional Presentations Allison Fulton mentioned it would be good to hear about additional Narcan/ Naloxone community programs such as the Leave Behind Program that is run by EMS. It was discussed to include Giovanna Mozzo and Kitty Hickcox for future presentations.</p> <p>Ingrid Gillespie asked for more information on rainbow fentanyl. Bobby Lawlor responded that DEA defines it as multicolored pills packaged together. In CT we have seen purple and dark blue pills. Surita Rao asked a follow-up question on the purpose of the rainbow pills and Bobby Lawlor responded that it was a business technique.</p> <p>Bobby Lawlor also mentioned that he will be presenting with Traci Green at tomorrow’s ADPC meeting on community level drug checking.</p>	

	<p>The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.</p> <p><u>Next Prevention Subcommittee Meeting:</u> Monday, November 21, 2022: 1:30 – 3:30pm</p> <p><u>Next Full ADPC Meeting:</u> Tuesday, October 18th 10:00am – 12:00pm Tuesday, December 20th 10:00 am – 12:00 pm</p>	