

ADPC Treatment Subcommittee  
MEETING MINUTES  
02/24/2022

Members Present:

x	Craig Allen		Bryнна Blackson	x	John Hamilton		Gabriela Krainer	x	Sandrine Pirard
x	Robyn Anderson		Barbara Cass		Kim Hougabook		Chad McDonald		Hilary Felton-Reid
x	Herb Boyd		Wende Cooper	x	Mark Jenkins		Kathleen O'Connor		Dan Rezende
	Maria Brereton	x	Deborah Daniel	x	Heide Kapral	x	Gerard O'Sullivan		Julienne Girard
	Carl Schiessl	x	Danielle Warren-Dias	x	Maria Coutant-Skinner	x	John Simoncelli	x	<i>Ana Gopian</i>
	Tara Kerner	x	David Borzellino		Kristie Scott	x	Melissa Sienna	x	<i>Rob Haswell</i>
x	Luiza Barnat		Ally Kernan	x	<i>Katherine McMullen</i>		Allyson Nadeau	x	<i>Yashira Pepin</i>

Guests are indicated by italics.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS
<b>Welcome</b>	Guests: Ana Gopian, Tri-Circle; Katherine McMullen, DMHAS intern; Rob Haswell, DMHAS	
<b>Review of minutes</b>		Approved
<b>Announcements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thanks to Craig for the subcommittee's report to the January Full Council</li> <li>CT received a Bureau of Justice Administration grant in two counties - Litchfield and Fairfield linking people to harm reduction, and establishing/reinforcing pathways to care. The grant will utilize "Overdose Response Specialists" to deliver the harm reduction approaches.</li> <li>Presentation/Workshop: March 11: <b>Bereavement, Grief and Loss</b></li> <li>Presentation/Workshop: March 15: <a href="#">Dangers of Fentanyl</a></li> <li><b>Save the Date!</b> Virtual Presentation: April 13, 1-3:30pm <b>Impacts of Adult Use Marijuana Legalization on Children &amp; Youth</b>, Flyer coming.</li> <li><b>Save the Date!</b> Conference: May 20: <b>Harm Reduction Conference</b>. Virtual and in-person. Flyer coming.</li> </ul>	
<b>Opioid Settlement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Municipalities must be involved in the planning process. The ADPC subcommittee memberships will not meet that requirement. The Governor/AG/state has not yet determined how membership in the advisory group will be determined.</li> </ul>	
<b>Trauma informed care across the state</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Next step: ask The Women's Consortium (TWC) how we can be helpful in supporting the upcoming <a href="#">Harm Reduction conference</a>.</li> </ul>	Maria to reach out to Colette Anderson at TWC, discuss adding grief and loss content.
<b>Grief and loss support groups</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guest speaker: Ana Gopian, Tri-Circle (and member of Recovery Subcommittee)</li> <li>Non-profit located in Middlefield. Fifteen (15) Hope and Support groups occurring in RHBAOs in DMHAS Regions 2, 3 (Putnam), and 4 for family members left behind when a family member dies. All groups have a virtual option to attend. Goal is to have two meetings</li> </ul>	<p><u>Suggested next steps:</u></p> <p><u>1)</u> outreach to families of color and communities where resources may be limited;</p>

	<p>each month in each location, and to expand eventually to Regions 1 and 5. Specific format, co-facilitated by two paid professionals (1 licensed, 1 para-professional with lived experience). Support groups are listed on the <a href="#">Tri-Circle</a> website. Tri-Circle is working to expand access using Spanish-speaking and more diverse facilitators.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ana also developed The <a href="#">Paraphenalia Project</a>.</li> <li>Non-profit SUD treatment providers need to build capacity to engage and work with families. Tri-Circle offered to make themselves available to assist providers, and to partner on training.</li> </ul>	<p>2) establish links with treatment centers to increase their awareness of family supports, and help with family involvement during treatment;</p> <p>3) training for treatment providers on how to support families</p>
<b>Treatment for adolescent cannabis use</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Service system needs better resources to address adolescent cannabis use.</li> <li>How do we address the myths and communicate facts with teenagers, business aspect (e.g., nicotine delivery marketing approach, and Weed Inc.).</li> <li>The Elks Lodges throughout CT is focused on prevention, and may have resources/materials</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communicate these ideas to Cannabis Workgroup</li> </ul>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	None	
<b>UPCOMING MEETINGS</b>	Treatment Subcommittee: March 24, 1:00-2:30p ADPC Full Council: April 19, 10am – 12pm	