

Meeting of the OSAC Referral Subcommittee
Friday, February 20th, 2026
1:00p.m.-2:00 p.m.
Microsoft Teams
Virtual meeting

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Rudy Marconi, Jennifer Kolakowski, Jeanne Milstein, John Lally, Tracey Hanson, Kaye White

Visitors/Presenters: None

DMHAS Representatives: Luiza Barnat, Sarah Messier-Smith

Members Absent: None

Recorder: Sarah Messier-Smith

Topic	Discussion	Action
Minutes	The 12/3/25 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved: 1 st by John Lally, 2 nd by Tracey Hanson.	Noted
Recommendations	<p>The group reviewed recommendations that had been submitted since the portal closing to determine next steps. Reviewed recommendations and identified steps are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentoring services for youth affected by the opioid crisis: May be considered for future proposal development: Need to determine if existing resources in CT. Ensure implementing agency has adequate experience with mentoring individuals impacted by OUD. Ensure appropriate training for mentors. • Velvet Sips: Recovery-Centered Social Infrastructure Pilot: Not recommended to move forward: No evidence of non-alcoholic beverage service being EBP for OUD. Other components appear similar to Recovery Center. "Recovery Centers Continuation" approved May 2025 and is inclusive of a future RFP. • Neuro-Inclusive Recovery Housing: Not recommended to move forward: Individual housing program requests are not being funded at this time. Housing workgroup continues to explore statewide Recovery Housing needs. May be a future RFP. Inclusivity for neurodivergent individuals across the treatment continuum should be explored by ADPC Treatment Subcommittee for potential policy or guideline recommendations. • Remote observation of methadone take-home dosing: Not recommended to move forward: Guidelines are clear around take-home methadone dosing; once guidelines are met, supervised dosing is no longer required. OTPs have access to telehealth platforms that can be utilized for live-supervised dosing as indicated. Concerns about equitable access given not all individuals have phones and internet access. CT has approved other projects to decrease OTP access barriers (Mobile OTP, OTP Access Expansion). • Glowhopper Go: Interactive Map of Free Naloxone Distribution Sites in CT: May be considered for future proposal development: Recommendation highlights an important need for CT. Explore if can be achieved using state internal and existing Naloxone-related databases/applications prior to potential OSAC project proposal development. 	
Next steps	The next meeting will be scheduled after the 4/7/26 OSAC meeting or as subcommittee input needed.	Noted

NEXT MEETING – TBD

ADJOURNMENT – Friday, February 20, 2026 at 1:53pm