

MINUTES

Linn County Opioid Steering Committee

Tuesday, November 6, 2018

10:00am-11:30am

Welcome & Introductions

Erin Foster, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions were made.

Present

Wayne Jerman, Erin Foster, Katie Reasner, Tony Myers MD, Ivan Zadownaev MD, Lindsay Schrader, John Stuelke, Barb Gay, Jacquie Fitzgerald, Mallory Hughes, Sarah Ziegenhorn, Kevin Techau, James Houser, Timothy McGullam, Joe Lock, Rod Courtney, Andrea Weber, Lori Weih, Joe McHale

- **Linn County Public Health**
 - Adding opioid related material, such as the Opioid Steering Committee, Treatment, Prevention, and so on to their website. Katie Reasner will be taking this on

- **Opioid Steering Committee Chairpersons Meeting**
 - What is the role of each subcommittee?
 - What are the timelines for the subcommittees? Depends on the subcommittees and the goals they are setting for themselves. Subcommittee correspondence will be necessary over the course of the next 2 months as new/current legislators take office
 - Recruitment is encouraged, if needed
 - How often will the OSC meet?
 - Meet quarterly, so long as the subcommittees are running well. Therefore our meetings will be January, April, August, and November
 - James Houser recommends that the Legislative subcommittee meet monthly
 - Barb Gaye suggests that the OSC call a meeting if need be

REPORT-OUTS

Sub-Committee Updates

We need to communicate to assure that work is not being duplicated amongst subcommittees.

- **Prevention and Community Education – Katie Reasner, Chair**
 - Chief McHale Lindsay Schrader attended our subcommittee meeting to educate on law enforcement educational needs
 - Naloxone Trainings and what it looks like in our community
 - Discussion surrounding liability. Liability form will be sent with minutes
 - Sarah Z: Demand-side and drivers of drug use
 - Socioeconomic status
 - Homelessness
 - Trauma
 - ACE's
 - All will be further discussed at the next subcommittee meeting.
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- **Healthcare, Treatment & Harm Reduction – Sarah Ziegenhorn, Chair**
 - Begin by sending out a survey for different initiatives
 - Fill in gaps for post overdose response programs
 - Navigate post OD world
 - Sarah Z: 1 in 10 die within a year of OD

- Lack of funding from private sector
- More federal funds
- Need Data:
 - Current OD stats
 - Fatal vs. Non-Fatal
 - Individuals who signed paperwork declining services at the hospital
 - Who arrived with an ambulance and who did not
- Barb Gay: Behavioral Health pairs with MAT-Very important to remember
 - ASAC is pushing for peer support specialists
- Mercy hospital has given 60,000 less doses of opioid in the last year
 - Drop of 27%
- **Law Enforcement & First Responders – Jackie Gillen & Andy Olesen, Co-Chairs**
 - Trainings have begun-Mount Vernon, Alburnett (potential for Naloxone trainings)
 - Hiawatha week of 11/12/18
 - Great response so far
 - Unity Point has educational resources online for high school students and staff regarding opioids
- **Data Collection – Amy Hockett & Chief McHale, Co-Chairs**
 - Chief McHale Data PowerPoint (attached to email)
- **Legislative/Other Elected Officials – Kevin Techau, Chair**
 - Presentation for current and/or new legislators coming into office
 - Needle-exchange program
 - Must get passed the stigma
 - Find evidence of success
 - Liability
 - Health and Harm Reduction key points
 - Rod Courtney: MAT in jails
 - Barb Gay:
 - Medicaid privileges unfortunately suspended if someone is incarcerated
 - Partner with League of Women Voters
- **Wrap-Up & Next Meeting Planned**
 - Next meeting: January 8, 2019