

MINUTES OF 3-24-15 MEETING (IDENTIFICATION/INTERVENTION SUB-COMMITTEE)

Attendees: Clevenger, Goodman, Becker, Rasmus, Phillips, Payton, Gregory, Von Bargen, G-Frey, Kurtz, Moore

Introduction/Overview: Clevenger provided an overview of the group's work up to this date:

*Group had previously identified that emergency responders (EMT/Fire, Police, Emergency Room) were being flooded with heroin related emergencies. Also, that many of these individuals were repeaters/well known to the emergency community. Most ended up in the Emergency Rooms, however a number of them refused hospital services @ the scene.

*Group believed that users (and their family/support networks) were most likely to agree to services @ the time of the crisis. Some agreed to services @ the hospital but they failed to follow through one they left the hospital/left the scene.

*Group discussed the 24/7 model available in the mental health system to deal w/ mental health emergencies. Group believed a similar model might make sense for heroin related incidents. Belief being that an emergency provider/social worker who could respond immediately (either at the scene w/ emergency providers or @ the hospital after the individual was stabilized) to intervene/later follow up to help navigate the local treatment services made sense.

*Group believed that it made sense to invite the ADAS Board Director(responsible for substance abuse services within the county) and the MH Board Director(responsible for mental health services within the county) to our next meeting.

Overview-ADAS (Julie Payton):

*Spoke about existing services in Middletown (Sojourner, Community Behavioral Health)

*Spoke about pilot program in Middletown Jail- Vivitrol injections @ release from Jail/Judge Wall identifying individuals for program

*Discussed possibility of putting Narcan @ treatment centers

*Spoke about the funding of a coordinator position (Susan Lipnickey) who leads the Butler County Opiate Task Force

*Not opposed to the 24/7 model being discussed. Brought up a similar initiative, One City.

Initiative is led by Crossroads Church (Mason- Jennifer McGonigle/Director) targeted @ Butler/Clinton/Warren counties. Will be providing a crisis line for opiate problems. Will be hiring 2 Care Coordinators to assist individuals/family members in getting help.

*Discussed the Family Support/Recovering Addicts groups already in place in the county, how they might fit in these strategies.

*Spoke about the fact that the ADAS Board will be merging w/ the MHB Board

Overview- MHB (Scott Rasmus):

*Spoke about mental health services within the county/Middletown services

*Spoke about the current Mental Health Crisis Team/Hot Line- acts as I&R and hotline for mental health emergencies. Program called CCI (Crisis Consultation & Intervention) run by Butler Behavioral Health. Staff can write holds, provide case management services, has emergency psychiatrist time available. Scott indicated that while the team does not currently address opiate emergencies, he sees a possibility here.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

*Jackie Phillips spoke about the Baltimore strategy in dealing w/ their heroin epidemic, how they had a 24/7 model. Jackie indicated that she would forward materials she had collected. **Jackie's forward is attached below.**

*Dave Von Bargen spoke about this issue from his perspective on the streets. Spoke about the need to have something (pamphlet) in the hands of emergency providers so that they could direct the user/their loved ones to local services. was also discussed that something similar might be needed in the ER and in

the Maternity Offices. Agreed that Dave and Julie Payton would work on putting something together. Talked about how technology (twitter, Facebook) fit with this effort.

*Agreed that MH and ADAS system would continue discussions regarding the 24/7 model in coordination/awareness of One City efforts and review of what other jurisdictions are doing (Baltimore, across the state. Butler County Opiate Task Force).

* Next meeting would be the large group meeting on April 27, 2015.

In closing, this is my recollection of our discussions. I struggled to read my own notes after the meeting so I'm confident that I missed things. Feel free to send follow-up e-mails to our members to correct the record. Also, I want to again thank Julie and Scott for participating/their wisdom in moving this effort forward!!

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All, after reviewing everyone's availability, we will be meeting on March 24th @ 10:00 AM. Tina has been gracious enough to reserve us a space @ the hospital. I will leave it to Tina to send out an e-mail notifying everyone as to the specific room.

As mentioned in my earlier e-mail, Scott Rasmus (Dir- BC Mental Health Board) and Julie Payton (Interim Dir- BC Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services Board) will be in attendance at this meeting. It might make sense for Julie to give us a summary of where that work stands w/ the BC efforts and an update as to the ADAS vision on this issue. Also, special thanks to Jackie Phillips for sending out the materials regarding the BC Opiate Task Force work (hopefully everyone got her earlier e-mail). It might be helpful if we review those materials before our meeting.

I'll get out of the way now and put this sub-committee back into the more capable hands of Paul. See you all on the 24th!

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