Alcohol and Drug Policy Council Prevention Subcommittee

Meeting Summary

Meeting Date/Location:	Monday, March 18 th , 2019, 1:00PM-3:00PM, CT Valley Hospital, Page Hall, Room 217		
Participants in Attendance	In Attendance: A. Wood, A. Fulton, A. Hanoian-Fontana, C. Meredith, C. Zambetti, D. Daniel, D. Lake, J. Stonger, R. Anderson, R. Harmon, S. Newgass, S. Lang, S. Bouffard, S. Ali On Phone: C. Wagner, D. Tobin, D. McAdams, D. Grodzki, I. Gillespie, R. Tousey-Ayers, Rev.		
TOPIC	Anderson, S. Moran, S. Rao		
1. Welcome & Introductions	The meeting was convened at 1:00 PM and began with introductions. The minutes were reviewed. Members were reminded that we are now the Prevention Subcommittee and the Early Intervention and Screening were dropped from the name.	ACTIONS / DECISIONS Minutes were approved with 2 minor corrections	
2. Federal Grants Update	Partnership for Success (PFS) 2015 Dawn Grodzki reminded the group of the focus of the PFS on alcohol use and the non-medical use of prescription drugs. The update focused on the Vernon Rocks program that invested in the Real Talk campaign to promote underage drinking. In addition, the PFS sub recipients will continue to be provided TA and are currently working on sustainability for permanent long term funding. Sub recipients will be creating info briefs and are currently awaiting school survey data. A young adult survey is being launched to gather data on 18-25 year-olds. Youth groups will vet the current survey draft and a marketing firm will be assisting in its distribution. Prescription Drug Overdose (PDO) Grant The health districts funded under this grant are wrapping up their efforts and focusing on sustainability. The grant will end on August 31st. The DPH will receive a new CDC award of about \$5million effective September 1st. This award is a combination of three previous CDC funding opportunities including the PDO. Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs (SPF Rx) Grant There was a reminder of the goals and objectives of the initiative, the focus of each of the funded health districts and their current activities. The sub recipient districts met on Friday to complete and submit federal evaluation requirements (Annual Implementation Instrument). They will participate in the naloxone app release and health district showcase organized by DPH at the LOB. They are also preparing a presentation to the Connecticut Association of Directors of Health meeting in April and the National Prevention Network conference in August. More information on the results of the survey for prescribers should be available at the next federal grants update.	The next update will feature the info briefs from the PFS subrecipients	

3.	Naloxone School Survey Follow up	State Targeted Response (STR)/State Opioid Response (SOR) Members were reminded that the SOR and STR updates are available on the DMHAS website. The STR will be ending on April 30 th and a supplement for an additional \$5 million in SOR funds is anticipated. This supplement will end on 09-29-2020. Abby Wood presented further analyses of the naloxone school survey results completed in conjunction with the Center for Prevention Evaluation & Statistics at UConn in Farmington. She cautioned that the results were only applicable to the respondents who participated and should not be generalized to the entire state.	Shawn Lang will continue to research if other states require Narcan in schools
		Survey respondents who indicated that they would like training were compiled and sent to the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organizations (RBHAOs). Members agreed that even the respondents who were not interested in training should also be provided with some information (e.g. FAQs). Members suggested sending information to school districts regarding the availability of free Narcan from the Adapt manufacturers. The SDE does not endorse specific products and had previously advised districts to get naloxone. Also discussed: Rep. Petit is interested in legislating that schools have Narcan; co-locating the Narcan with the AED and have them be on the same replacement schedule; and readministering the survey at the School Nurses meeting in October.	Ingrid and Sarah will check to see if there are other naloxone surveys and how they are being used
4.	Legislative Bills/Additional PSEI Recommen- dations	Members were alerted to pieces of proposed legislations that are relevant to the prevention work being done by the subcommittee. They included HB 7200 – An Act Prohibiting The Sale of Cigarettes, Tobacco Products, Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems To Persons Under Age Twenty-One, and HB 1057 – An Act Concerning Opioid Use Disorder. Members were encouraged to keep track of them and weigh in through the public hearing process if they are allowed to do so. Members were encouraged to think about new recommendations that the sub-committee could put forward. Thoughts included: Workforce initiatives and getting more support in the workplace Co-prescribing naloxone with any opioid prescription Supplying disposal bags with all prescriptions (especially for individuals who obtain these through employer pharmacies) Have routine physician questions during a physical, include opioids	Email Carol with additional feedback regarding Liveloud campaign website Carol will look into Liveloud printed cards for subcommittee distribution
5.	Other/Member Updates	 The Clearinghouse is hosting a square making event for the memorial quilt on Saturday, March 30th from 10AM - 2PM. There are currently 4 quilts that can be displayed. 	The group decided to defer discussion of the letter from the hospice physician

	 Amy Hanoian-Fontana sent social media topics for National Poison Prevention Week (March 17-23, 2019) to help spread the word. Robin Tousey-Ayers will attend the annual brain injury conference where they will discuss the effects on opioids on people with TBI and marijuana helping people with TBI. Shawn indicated that the proposed bill requiring emergency responders to take overdose patients to treatment facilities instead of emergency rooms is dead. 	regarding the Prescription Monitoring Program to the next meeting when DCP will be represented.
Next Meeting	Monday April 15 th 1-3PM at CVH, Page Hall, Room 217	