

Alcohol and Drug Policy Council  
Prevention, Screening and Early Intervention Subcommittee

Meeting Summary

Meeting Date/Location:	Monday, August 20, 2018, 1:00PM-3:00PM, CT Valley Hospital, Page Hall, Room 217	
Participants in Attendance	In Attendance: A. Makuch, A. Fulton, A. Chin, A. Mirizzi, A. Tomassoni, C. Meredith, I. Gillespie, J. Stonger, N. Rickles, R. Anderson, S. Newgass, S. Bouffard, S. Doyon, D. Jones, K. Sgarlatta, R. Ferreira, R. Tousey-Ayers, D. Jones	
<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTIONS / DECISIONS</b>
1. Welcome & Introductions	The meeting was convened at 1:07 PM and began with introductions and review and approval of minutes.	Minutes were approved.
2. Updates	<p><u>Opioid Disposal Recommendation</u> Following the last PSEI meeting, changes to the recommendation were made and distributed for further feedback. A final clarification from Susan Bouffard was made and the document finalized. Members had an opportunity to review and accept the final recommendation at the meeting. Further revisions were not made.</p> <p><u>Federal Grants Submission</u> The SAMHSA State Opioid Response Grant was submitted on August 13<sup>th</sup> to continue the majority of initiatives started under the State Targeted Response Grant. The Prevention proposals were shared with the group. The proposal will be discussed at the full ADPC meeting on Tuesday. The CDC Opioid Overdose Prevention in States (OPIS) grant for \$3.9million was submitted on July 31<sup>st</sup>. It includes Change the Script campaign expansion, surge staffing for the OCME, resources to the Office of Emergency Medical Services to assist in enhancing their data system, real time data reporting from the Poison Control Center and, dedicated staffing for the syndromic system. Another SAMHSA grant to integrate primary care into behavioral health will start on September 30<sup>th</sup> for 5 years at \$2million per year. It will target Waterbury, Hartford and Bridgeport through behavioral health homes.</p> <p><u>School Survey &amp; Superintendent’s Letter</u> There was no clarity on the movement of these and John Frassinelli will be consulted on their status. There was additional discussion of overdose deaths in schools and the need for naloxone as well as a reminder of why the recommendations were developed.</p> <p><u>VNOD Form</u> The patients’ and professionals’ guides are on the website. There will be more regarding dissemination. For now, it is OK to print and circulate the guides within members’ networks. The Everbridge notification system is being used to mass distribute</p>	

	<p>the forms and guide to physicians. The plan is to have the form on the mobile app by the end of September. This app will have educational information on what is an opioid, using naloxone, who has naloxone, medication disposal sites, and treatment resources.</p>	
<p><b>3. Health Carriers' Response to Opioid Crisis</b></p>	<p>The documents on insurance issues were discussed. The group needs to identify insurance related issues to be addressed at the full council. These will be shared with other ADPC committees for follow-up at a meeting of the full council. Insurance related concerns discussed included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are alternatives to pain management covered</li> <li>• Individuals on private insurance need to be pre-authorized in order to receive Narcan. This presents a barrier at the Narcan trainings where the pharmacists are present</li> <li>• What are the quality measures around opioids/naloxone that insurers may have</li> <li>• What are insurers doing to promote MAT and enhance opportunities for MAT (TX committee)</li> <li>• What is the 30-day treatment limit based on (TX committee)</li> <li>• Why is there an additional charge for SBIRT screening.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>4. Other/Member Updates</b></p>	<p>The article on the San Diego OCME's letters to prescribers was discussed with members agreeing to explore such a pilot for CT. Discussions on the topic will continue at the next meeting with the hope that others may have a chance to share their opinions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nate Rickles will present a workshop title: Fostering Provider Behavior Change through Academic Detailing: An Evidenced-Based Approach at the September 21<sup>st</sup> opioids conference</li> <li>• A 1-day SOP and DATA 200 training (4.5 hours per module) is scheduled for November</li> <li>• A 2<sup>nd</sup> SBIRT professional training for medical students is schedule for November 7<sup>th</sup> with an opioid specific module</li> <li>• An ADPC presentation by Dr. Doyon on the results of the pilot project with EMS will be held at the next ADPC meeting.</li> <li>• Opioid Awareness Day is October 31<sup>st</sup> with a number of forums and events planned for across the state. Check out Clearinghouse listserv for more info</li> <li>• August 29<sup>th</sup> forum for Greater Hartford Harm Reduction Coalition to be held</li> <li>• Packaging group continues to focus on medication adherence and getting opioids in individual packages</li> <li>• CPN awarded a 1 year \$400K grant from Purdue Pharma in partnership with EVERFI to implement interactive high school-based opioid curriculum.</li> </ul>	<p>Ingrid will obtain a copy of the letter for the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>Next Monthly Meeting</b></p>	<p>September 17, 1:00PM-3:00PM, CVH Page Hall, 217</p> <p>(Next full ADPC meeting – Tuesday October 16, 2018 10:00AM-12:00PM, location TBD)</p>	