

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

Meeting Summary

Meeting Date/Location:	Monday, November 20, 2017, 1-3PM- @ CT Valley Hospital, Page Hall, Room 217	
Participants in Attendance	J. Stonger, I. Gillespie, A. Mirizzi, R. Anderson, S. Bouffard, S. Lang, C. Meredith, S. Logan, A. Fulton, A. Sigler, S. Rao, D. Tobin, A. Harris, K. Opozda, R. Marriot, M. Buchelli, C. Wagner, N. Rickels, A. Chin, S. Newgass	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS / DECISIONS
Welcome & Introductions	The meeting was convened at 12:04 PM and began with introductions and review and approval of minutes.	Minutes were approved with a revision to reflect attendance by Amy Mirizzi.
Public Awareness Campaign Update	Carol provided an update of the Change the Script campaign to bring attention to the need for opioid education and action. To date, a logo, messaging, action plan and toolkit have been developed. Toolkit contents include: brochures, posters, print ads, online ads, radio scripts, handbills, social media and on-line ads. Local programs will be trained to customize, reproduce and deploy toolkit contents in their communities. The statewide and targeted campaign for prescribers and pharmacists are being finalized with the same branding and will be rolled out and officially kicked off at the beginning of the year.	Statewide campaign information will be available on the drugfreect.org website once finalized.
Discussion of ADPC Co-chairs Meeting	<p>Judy reported on the ADPC co-chairs meeting convened prior to the last ADPC meeting. Deputy Commissioners Navaretta from DMHAS and Stevens from DCF emphasized the importance of the subcommittees promoting recommendations around policies. Also mentioned was the need to tie some outcomes measures to the activities and have a dashboard for the progress of the subcommittee. Judy also asked the group to think about any success stories from activities that are being implemented that could be shared with the ADPC at large. Stories that are compelling much like those shared by the recovery coaches at the last ADPC meeting.</p> <p>Carol suggested the following policy considerations for the group:1) insurance coverage for alternatives to pain meds; 2) additional modes of, and boxes for medication disposal and assessing the percentage of opioids collected; 3) consistent coding for data collected through OCME and CHIME; 5) data sharing across PDMPs; and, 6) requirement for opioid education in public schools.</p> <p>Following are some discussion points from the considerations: There are 85 drop boxes across the state which may be the reason why law enforcement participation in the DEA take-back events is down. The Change the Script Campaign should emphasize naloxone awareness and disposal options. The common estimate is that at least 10% of medications returned</p>	<p>Carol will amend the tracking form to include the original measures identified for the recommendations.</p> <p>Susan L. will compile a list of data sources and contacts for overdose reporting.</p> <p>Anna S. will ensure that the prescriber/pharmacist campaign has correct information regarding PDMP data sharing.</p> <p>Amy M. will survey the school-based health centers to assess which ones carry naloxone.</p>

	<p>are controlled substances. Lauretta Grau from Yale should be invited to do a data presentation. There is movement to make opioid involved overdoses a reportable condition as of January 1st. This may pose some challenges for hospital emergency room staff. Overdose death data is being compiled and provided to local health districts on a quarterly basis to help assess the extent of the problem in their areas and target interventions.</p> <p>The Insurance Commissioner should be asked to report on the alternatives to pain medications that are currently reimbursed. It was concluded that these policy issues will be pursued by the group: mandating blister/unit packaging; mandating age appropriate, evidence-based opioid education in public schools; requiring the reporting of naloxone use in schools; and, expanding the availability of Narcan.</p>	
<p>PSEI Recommendations Review and Update</p>	<p>The PSEI recommendations were reviewed and updates discussed. Updates will be reflected on the tracking form.</p> <p>Pursuant to PA 17-131, electronic prescribing of controlled substances is mandated as of January 1st. The DCP notified prescribers of this via email. To date approximately 2,000 waivers have been requested.</p>	
<p>Wrap up & Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting concluded at 3:05PM • The next PSEI meeting is scheduled for December 19th from 1-3PM • The next full ADPC meeting is scheduled for December 20th, 2017 from 10:00AM-12PM, location LOB, Room 1D. 	