



Meeting Minutes

November 6th, 2024

Welcome/Introductions – Jennifer McCready, Director of Community Addictions Services

Motion was made to approve the October 2nd, 2024 minutes. All approved.

If anyone has any corrections/updates to the November minutes please reach out to Desiree Rochester.

William Webb, Health Officer - KCHD - December 4th's LDAAC meeting will be an in-person meeting at the Rim Center, 300 Scheeler Road in Chestertown, starting at 7:30 am.

The Centers for Disease Control issued nationwide numbers on overdose fatalities. We are seeing a decrease in overdose fatalities due to the availability of treatment and interventions such as naloxone.

Carla Thorpe, Director - A.F. Whitsitt Center - Crisis stabilization beds are available. 26 individuals took part last month. Introducing Transportation to Treatment for individuals who are unable to get to treatment. We can pick them up or in conjunction with the RIM Center to make sure people have access to treatment.

Doncella Wilson Founder, Minary's Dream Alliance - See Attached Presentation
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Katie Dilley - Mid Shore Behavioral Health - Continuing to implement the Hub Pilot project. Currently seeking nominations for any students or parents to represent how we are serving the behavioral health needs of students and community members tied to schools in the county. See the below link for a nomination form.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQQLSeYUmnJo2juA60Ofg=hE2orqwf4YT6nPL_1pUvx9gIN_g9cNcAA/viewform

Brigitte Kealy - MSBH - SOR IV has been renewed for the next three years. It includes crisis beds at A.F. Whitsitt Center, Minary's Dream Alliance's Clubhouse, three safe stations in Worcester, Wicomico and Caroline Counties, as well as Talbot County. Harm Reduction was renewed, which includes Narcan, Xylazine, fentanyl test strips, safe sex kits and Harm Reduction kits. Funding was received for Awaken Recovery, a women's recovery house in Cambridge and Foundations Recovery Houses, which has four homes in different areas throughout the shore.

Pete Landon - Kent County OES - 0 EMS associated fatal overdoses in October, 2024

Melanie D. Jones-Dalziel - MDH - State Care Coordination/Overdose Fatality Review(OFR) 5 enrolled in State Care Coordination, 3 went to recovery houses. Completed 3 MDRN applications. 2 OFR cases were reviewed October 3rd. The next OFR meeting is scheduled for January 2nd, 2025 from 9-11am.

Brett C. Forest - MDH - RIM/OPT/NHIIH - Thanks to all for participating in the Pumpkin Carving Event held at the RIM Center on October 24th. We had a great turnout, 50 plus people. Thanks to Lockbriar Farms for donating pumpkins. Outreach will be at Bigg Mixx on Friday, November 8th, 1 to 4pm. Closed on Monday, November 11th for Veterans Day. Monday, November 18th we will be at the Kent County Library, 1 to 4pm.

Vandrick Hamlin - Schools/Education - October 28-November 1, the high school celebrated Red Robin Week, a week promoting substance use prevention and awareness. Choptank's Behavioral Community Health School based program is in our high school and middle school. The future plan is to get them in all the schools. On Friday, November 8th the district is having their crisis and security meeting with stakeholders.

Christina Russell - DHS - START - Currently there are 5 START cases, with 9 children being serviced through Social Services and the Health Department.

Annette Duckery - MDH - Prevention - per Jennifer McCreedy, would like to thank everyone for participating in the Fall Fest at Lockbriar on November 2nd. There was a great turnout.

Record of Attendance

Ann Simperts, Avery Meyer, Brett Forrest, Brian Pearsall, Brigitte Kealy, Carla Thorpe, Chief Ronald Dixon, Chloe Campbell, Christina Russell, Dennis Hickman, Jacqualine Salb, Jennifer McCreedy, Kathryn Dilley, Latonya Cotton, Lauren Searce, Leland Spencer, Lisa Short, Lori Jacobs, Melanie Jones-Dalziel, Minary's Dream Alliance, Pete Landon, Shelly Neal-Edwards, Steven Jones, Tamara Stofa, Trish Todd, Vandrlick Hamlin, Vanessa Holloway Truxon, William Webb

Next meeting date: December 4th, 2024 @7:30am at the RIM Center

REMINDER: *If there is anyone from your agency that you would like to add or delete from the LDAAC meeting list, please reach out to Desiree Rochester at desirees.rochester@maryland.gov.*

Thank you!