

**OPEN MEETING MINUTES**  
**Waukesha County Health and Human Services**  
**Substance Use Advisory Committee (SUAC) Meeting**  
**April 19, 2022**

**Present SUAC Committee:** Addiction Resource Council (Jessica Brost), Bethany Christian Centers (Deb Adamus), Department of Corrections (Karen Sharp), AODA Volunteers of Waukesha County (Tom Graves, Vice Chair), Lutheran Social Services (Connie Schrank), WI Community Services (Susie Austin)

**Absent SUAC Committee:** Pat Miller, Rogers Memorial (Jim Hishmeh), SOFA (Lauri Badura), Thunder and Rain (Shari Kleppe), WisHope/SALS Recovery (Peter Brunzelle)

**Present HHS Board Liaison:** Dr. Mike Goldstone

**Present HHS Staff Liaisons:** Kirk Yauchler

**Guests:** Janelle McClain, Sam Schutte, Cindy Tomazevic

**1. Call to Order**

Vice Chair Graves called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Motion: Austin moved, second by Adamus, to approve the Substance Use Advisory Committee's minutes of February 15, 2022. Motion passed without a negative vote.

**3. Committee Business**

There was no committee business.

**4. Discuss 2022 Community Prioritized Needs Presentation to HHS Board**

McClain stated that the presentation will be given to the HHS Board this Thursday afternoon. Co-Chair, TJ Findley, and Vice Chair, Rachel Sauer, both from the Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC), will be presenting the joint MHAC/SUAC presentation.

**5. Committee and Organizational Updates**

**a. HHS Board Liaison**

There was no HHS Board update.

**b. HHS Staff Liaison**

Yauchler reported that Waukesha County is pursuing a grant from the Division of Care and Treatment Services (DCTS) for behavioral health telehealth services. The deadline to submit the application is May 6. In the event that Waukesha County were to be awarded the grant, the funds would be used to fund telehealth services in the jail. For any other agencies interested in applying, information can be found by searching "DCTS Action Memo 2022-05" online.

Waukesha County will be providing Fentanyl test strips to the public via the Vivant Health van. John Kettler created a white sheet outlining various statistics of drug use as it relates to Fentanyl, and leadership endorsed the effort.

Yauchler reported that Clinical Services is recruiting for psychiatric staff and a full-time replacement for APNP, Barbara Barnes. A Locum Tenens provider will begin offering full time telehealth services on May 19 for a few months.

**c. Heroin Task Force (HTF)**

The following meetings regarding the HTF occurred recently:

- March 15: Community partners met
- April 8: Steering Committee met
- April 19: Action Team Trichairs and Steering Committee met

Yauchler and Austin provided the following Action Team updates:

**Data and Reporting Action Team:**

- Elevate has offered to host a temporary website to house the HTF data and resources that are being gathered
- High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) had presenters from Milwaukee and the state that shared tracking data
- The Overdose Fatality Review Team, that has been on hiatus since before the pandemic, will resume

**Treatment and Recovery Action Team:**

- Working on getting Medication Assisted Treatment options in the jail
- IMPACT 2-1-1 gave a presentation on their information database. They are looking to create a resource guide specifically for Waukesha County

**Prevention Action Team:**

- Hosted a webinar that focused on older adults, as a large portion of prescription opioid users are the older population

**Harm Reduction Action Team:**

- Working on installing Nalox boxes throughout Waukesha County
- Getting the word out about the Never Use Alone campaign that allows a person to print a card with a 1800 number that they can call before they are going to use, give their coordinates, and if they are unresponsive, medical personnel will be notified
- Provide a helpful fact/information sheet for users and also for families
- Continue to advocate for peer support. This includes the 2 Peer Specialists that the Department of Corrections is funding to assist the probation office

**6. Educational Presentation: Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) – Dr. Michael Goldstone**  
Goldstone shared a presentation titled, “Narcotic Maintenance Treatment.”

**7. Agency Updates / Announcements**  
Jump for Archie will be on June 18.

WCS Volunteers and the Waukesha County AODA Volunteers will be having a joint annual picnic on September 17.

Addiction Resource Council has numerous activities coming up, including:

- May 22: Spare for Care Bowling Tournament
- May 31, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.: The Cannabis Craze: Exploring Recent Trends in THC Products. The Zoom webinar will focus on new trends and effects of the use of Delta-8 THC.
- August 27: Roaring for Recovery at the Milwaukee County Zoo

Bethany Recovery Center has entered a contract with the Department of Corrections for 18 out of their 30 beds to be designated to women coming out of jail. The contract covers all of Wisconsin, not just Waukesha County.

Bethany and Aspen Center are recruiting for mental health and AODA therapists.

**8. Discuss Items for Next Meeting's Agenda**

- Needs vs. Wants for MAT in the Waukesha County Jail, especially approaching re-entry

**9. Public Comment**

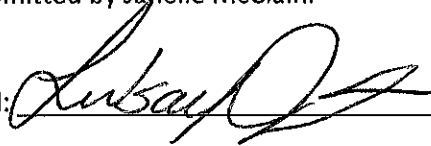
There was no public comment.

**10. Adjourn**

Motion: Austin moved, second by Adamus, to adjourn the meeting at 4:26 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janelle McClain.

Minutes Were Approved:



Date:

5/17/21