

OPEN MEETING MINUTES
Waukesha County Health and Human Services
Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting
Substance Use Advisory Committee (SUAC) Meeting
November 17, 2020

Present SUAC Committee: Deb Adamus, Laurie Badura, Marla Bell, Tom Graves (Vice Chair), Jim Hishmeh, Lindsay Just (Chair), Shari Kleppe, Connie Schrank

Absent SUAC Committee: Susie Austin, Peter Brunzelle, Pat Miller

Present HHS Board Liaison: Dr. Mike Goldstone

Present HHS Staff Liaisons: John Kettler, Kirk Yauchler

Guests: Eileen Ardinelli (proxy for Kleppe), Michael Bauer, Mary Goggins, Adele Revoy

1. Call to Order

Chair Just called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. Introductions were exchanged among the committee members and guests.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Bell moved, second by Graves, to approve the Substance Use Advisory Committees minutes of October 20, 2020. Motion passed without a negative vote.

3. Committee Business

There was no committee business.

Schrank arrived 3:04 p.m.

4. Discuss Committee Meeting Topic Ideas for 2021

Attendees created the following tentative schedule for 2021 meeting topics.

March: Family of Choice Programming and Support Resources that are being offered (Open Discussion)

April: Vivant Health – Kristin Grimes, Director of Prevention (regarding syringe exchange)

May: Fetal Alcohol Syndrome /Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome – Colleen Allen (Just will contact)

June: State Harm Reduction – Dennis Radloff

July: Medicaid Offering Residential Benefit for Substance Use Treatment

September: Housing Action Coalition (joint meeting with Mental Health Advisory Committee)

November: MHC Substance Use Program Needs

An additional topic idea would be to discuss DHS75, which is going live in February.

Badura arrived at 3:34 p.m.

5. Committee and Organizational Updates

a. HHS Board Liaison

At the last HHS Board meeting on October 6, the members renewed privileges for the providers at the Mental Health Center (MHC).

b. HHS Staff Liaison

Kettler gave an update on several grants that have been applied for, including:

- SOR grant: Awarded an increase to provide medication-assisted therapy (MAT) for Vivitrol and Suboxone for the uninsured, and now the under-insured, as well as counseling costs and residential costs.
- Women's Health and Recovery Project (WHARP): Did not get the award to launch the program.
- Urban/Rural Women's Services Grant: Applying the end of this month and would allow the county to launch WHARP.
- Injection Use Grants: Applied for one grant for prevention and one grant for treatment.
- Urban, Black, and Hispanic Substance Use Award: Has been awarded to assist with treatment costs for the eligible population
- Urban Youth Prevention Grant: Has been awarded to bring additional prevention efforts to City of Waukesha middle school students

Waukesha County has applied for DHS 75.10 licensing to allow for medically managed inpatient services for those coming to the MHC with a higher substance use need.

Yauchler gave a brief overview of a public hearing that took place on Friday regarding DHS 75.

HHS is continuing to review the syringe exchange program and is looking at funding sources to add an additional day each month.

c. Community Health Improvement Planning Process (CHIPP)

CHIPP met on November 4.

The mental health pillar continues to conduct QPR training sessions, End the Silence programming in schools, CIT training, and the Lighthouse Project. The pillar is also monitoring suicide data from the ME's office and discussing depression in relation to the pandemic. Their website is mentalhealthconnection.live

The physical activity and nutrition pillar is promoting Fit in the Park opportunities, encouraging park usage during the pandemic. They will also resume the Nutrition of the Month series.

d. Heroin Task Force (HTF) Harm Reduction Pillar

The HTF Steering committee met on October 22 and addressed changes that have occurred due to the pandemic, as well as at reorganizing the HTF.

A survey was distributed to assist with prioritizing areas of focus. The results will then help them determine how they will focus on those areas, as well as funding opportunities.

6. Agency Updates / Announcements

Badura reported that SOFA will be collaborating with another organization to develop support for grieving parents.

Adamus gave an update on Aspen House.

7. Discuss Items for Next Meeting's Agenda

There were no additional items for the next meeting's agenda.

8. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

9. Adjourn

Motion: Badura moved, second by Kleppe, to adjourn the meeting at 4:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janelle McClain.

Minutes Were Approved January 11, 2021