



Broome Opioid Awareness Council

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Virtual Zoom Meeting • Broome County Health Department

Agenda

Call to Order: Kristin Russell, Public Health Educator

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1. Welcome and Introductions-

In Attendance: Kristin Russell (BCHD), Sue Medina (BCHD), Erica Robinson (Helio Health), Nancy William (BC Department of Social Services/Mental Health), Cara Fraser (UHS), Susan Wheeler (Community Member), Katerina Kleopoulos, Jules Lee (Rural Health Network), Sherece Laine (BCHD), Brianna Murphy (Broome County YMCA), John Barry (STAP), Jules Denning (Finger Lakes Prevention Resource Center), Jillian Beloch (BCMh), Megan Wise (BCMh), Jim Hawley (NY/NJ HIDTA), Kurt Zumbach (BC Probation), Wendy Antalek (BT BOCES), Murphy Shea (Fairview Recovery Center), Dr. Ryan (BCHD), Allison Holleran (BCHD), Irene Lawrence (Finger Lakes Prevention Resource Center), Jeff Wagner (Broome County District Attorney's Office)

2. Guest Discussion- Sue Medina, Deputy Director, Broome County Health Department

Monkey Pox Vaccine:

- BCHD first offered clinics to those who received their first dose in Syracuse, PA, NYC who could not get back to their location for the 2nd dose.
- Since then, the vaccine clinic has open to those who are interested in the community, which was well receptive at first, but has stalled in attendance.
- STAP has been instrumental in identifying places for vaccine clinics. STAP and BCHD worked with Binghamton Q center for vaccine clinics. There was a great response and the clinic is returning in a few weeks for the 2nd dose
- BCHD is offering Monkey Pox vaccine walk in appointments every Tuesday during the STD clinics.

- BCHD is working with local providers to offer the Monkey Pox vaccine in their clinics, so if anyone is seeking treatment for other issues, they can be screened for eligibility and offered the vaccine.
 - Family Planning of South-Central NY and Endwell Family Physicians currently have the vaccine at their offices.
 - BCHD is working with Binghamton University Health Center and UHS to get them the vaccine.
- The next steps are looking for more community sites to offer the vaccine. There's also interest in doing a COVID-19/Monkey Pox vaccine clinic
- BCHD offers the bivalent COVID-19 vaccine in Pfizer and Moderna. There is no flu shot clinics available.
- BCC was an idea for a spot to host a vaccine clinic. John can help connect to a person at BCC. Possibly DSS for COVID vaccine.
- Any ideas on COVID-19/Monkey Pox vaccine clinics or questions can be directed to Sue Medina at Susan.Medina@broomecountyny.gov

3. BOAC/Health Department Updates-

- DEA Drug Take Back Day:
 - BOAC, Prevention Coalition, and BC Safe will be partnering for the DEA Take Back Day on October 29th.
 - The Broome County Health Department will host the event at 225 Front Street.
 - There will be a vaccine clinic, tablers, and Narcan trainings.
 - All unused, expired, and unwanted medications will be collected. STAP will be helping with collecting sharps and needles again this event.
- Strategic Plan:
 - Broome County Health Department put out a request for quotes for a contractor to help facilitate and create a strategic plan. The request for quotes ends Friday, so we anticipate having a contractor selected by next week.
 - Staff has been working on a stakeholder survey that will be sent to the group to collect data before the strategic planning begins.
 - BCHD anticipates hosting a strategic planning meeting that may look like a ½- 1 day conference in early 2023. More details to come on this in future meetings.
- Pharmacy Initiative:
 - The pharmacy initiative officially launched in August.
 - BCHD staff and PCBC staff are currently working on meeting with UHS and Lourdes to discuss how the program is going, if there is any needs, successes so far, etc.
- Accidental Injury and Death Review (AIDR) Team:
 - BCHD is wrapping up meeting with the partners for AIDR. These have all been very successful, and we thank all the partners who took the time to meet with us on this initiative.
 - Next steps are working on setting a schedule for 2023. BCHD anticipates meeting in early Spring to start and wants to try to start the case review process by the summer meetings.
 - BCHD will be putting out a request for applications for a Next-of-Kin Interviewer. This person will work with other staff on identifying and connecting with individuals who lost loved ones to an overdose or other accidental death and coordinate and conduct interviews with these next of kin to gain a narrative on the case's life. This RFA will likely be released by the end of the month, and the anticipated start for this person would be in mid-January.
 - Partners identified as data-sharing partners will be receiving the data-sharing agreement from the County Attorney's office by the end of the month.
 - Staff is also currently working on a criteria for these data-sharing partners on what information would be requested, which will be forthcoming.

4. Partner Updates-

- Helio Health:

- There is construction on a new parking lot, so the intake area has changed. Erica can send anyone a map if they need it.
- There is detox beds available if anyone needs and wants to go to treatment.
- Helio is always looking for clothing donations- especially men's. Many of the clothing banks is men working attire, so it's difficult to utilize that. They look for "comfy" everyday clothes.

- STAP:

- Still continuing to work on the process for onsite drug testing. They are looking at the data tools to see if those would work. Soon they will start sending samples to University of NC at Chapel Hill as a QI piece.

- DSS:

- Still accepting ERAP applications at DSS for housing. The state is processing applications from August of this year. People can call 211 for help to connect them to someone at DSS who can assist with their applications.
- ESGCB funds received a no-cost extension past 9/20/22, so they will be able to help with rapid rehousing.
- Working on a rental supplement program with the YWCA. This is \$900,000 a year to help people who don't really qualify for DSS assistance but could qualify for rental supplements. The YMCA will have a case manager to help these clients.

- Mental Health:

- The jail MAT plan was accepted. UHS is the MAT provider, and Mental Health, the jail, and UHS had to develop a MAT plan for NYS.
- Local service plan will be submitted at the end of the month. Mental Health is working with the Community Service Board members to get input on the needs of the community.

- HEALing Communities Study:

- The media campaign was launched. Maria Fabrizi is the communications champion and has done a great job at getting the social media posts out.
- Maria and Jillian have been working with the print shop to print out palm cards and fliers for any community agency partner who wants them. Businesses will also be targeted to distribute these to.
- The next committee meeting will be October 26th, there will be some action planning that will help guide the dissemination of funds. This will be a hybrid meeting.
- ORCCA subcommittee still needs participants. If anyone is interested, they can reach out to Jillian.

- Finger Lakes Prevention Resource Center:

- FLPRC has been working with community coalitions on their DEA Take Back Days.
- There will also be a Seize Your Data- The Five C's (Not D's) of Data training on October 27th at 9am – 11am
- Binghamton University is still looking for a Health Promotion Coordinator for the ATOD. The job can be found at:<https://binghamton.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.jsp;jsessionid=8F132933EA411B9BE7DA638DECDC3781?JOBID=153197>

- NY/NJ HIDTA:

- HIDTA has been working with the NYS Office of Drug User Health to work with harm reduction agencies (STAP, ACBC, Truth Pharm) and law enforcement on a drug testing initiative to pilot in Broome County.
- Samples would be swabbed and send to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for testing with results coming back within a week. The results would be returned to the submitter and NYS ODUH. ODUH is working on a data base to submerge submission forms. There are 2 different forms: one for law enforcement and one for the harm reduction agencies.
- The project keeps getting pushed back because of the data-base work. The likely timeline is December by the end of the year.

- Another initiative HIDTA has worked on is partnering with 8 crime labs who test narcotics and receive those results. STCAC is working on how they are going to disseminate the information to public health and public safety partners
- UHS:
 - Alan Wilmarth retired and UHS is in the process of redistributing roles and responsibilities. If anyone has any questions or need anything, they can reach out to Cara. UHS is working on who should sit on what community meetings.
- YMCA:
 - No Updates
- Rural Health Network:
 - No Update
- Broome County Probation:
 - No updates
- Broome County Health Department:
 - As the year wraps up, the Community Health Assessment (CHA) and the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) is being updated. There is a lot on substance use and mental health in this year's CHA and CHIP.
- County Executive's Office:
 - There have been meetings on creating a plan for the Opioid Settlement Funds
- BT BOCES:
 - No updates

**Next Meeting: Wednesday November 9, 2022 at 1pm.
Location: TBD**