

## **PARCC MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Location:** The Harbor Recovery Center, Portage WI

**Attendees:** Bryan Bilse (PARCC), Tom Drury (PARCC), Daniel Ruland (WI Counterdrug Program), Kari Due (Aspirus Health Care), Deanna Lord (Sauk Prairie Health Care), Marie Darling-Ellis (Columbia County Public Health), Cassie Hohlstein (Crisis/MAT), Rebekka Cary (Columbia County Veteran's Services), Ellen Ellingsworth (DOH), Jenna Retzlaff (DOH), Angela Smith (BHLTS), Stephanie Nickel (BHLTS), Brian Johnson (Columbia County Sheriff's Office), Justin Williams (Senator Baldwin's Office), Katie Day (DHHS-DCF), Jessica Beckett (Transitions Behavioral Health), Jamie Ziegler (Columbia County HHS), Jennifer Harrison (Satori House), Faith Gladem (The Harbor Recovery Center), Pat Drury (Satori House)

### **UPDATES FROM PARCC (BRYAN)**

#### **A. NARCAN REPORT**

- i. 194 total kits have been distributed in the year 2022
- ii. Bryan provided examples to the group of where the Narcan has been distributed. Law enforcement including first responders, Monica at Transitions Behavioral Health, Faith at The Harbor Recovery Center and area business
- iii. It was reported a Nalox Box was provided to The Poynette Police Department for their lobby
- iv. A new partnership has been formed with the Lodi EMS and they are starting to carry and distribute Narcan rescue kits. These kits will be given to people at EMS calls if there is an overdose or opioid crisis. The program began August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

#### **B. Permanent medication drop off box for Poynette Police Department**

- i. A permanent drug drop off box was purchased for the Poynette Police Department. Poynette Police have always been very active participants in drug take back events. Police Chief Rogge expressed

interest in a permanent box for his citizens to utilize year around. The box was delivered in July and was placed in the police department lobby.

### **C. Medication Lock Box Report**

- ii. Bryan reported 137 medication lock boxes have been distributed so in 2022
- iii. Examples of where the medication lock boxes have been distributed are Aspirus Health, Monica at Transitions, Columbia County Health and Human Services, and at National Night Out in Lodi

### **D. Tobacco Grant Update**

- i. It was reported PARCC was awarded the tobacco grant for a third year. The grant runs from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The grant provided by the State of Wisconsin Tobacco Control Movement is in the amount of \$53,000

### **E. Update on the Opioid crisis in Columbia County by SGT. Brian Johnson**

- i. Brian let the group know that there have been several overdoses in the City of Portage during the month of August. A specific number was not provided by Sgt. Johnson
- ii. Brian said he is seeing most substances being laced with fentanyl. Many subjects have been arrested lately for distributing/ dealing drugs in Columbia County

### **F. Columbia County Health Narcan Direct Grant Update**

- i. Bryan provided an update on Columbia County HHS has received a Narcan Direct Grant.
- ii. Bryan and Coalition Project Director Paula Enger met with Ellen Ellingsworth and Jenna Retzlaff to discuss each organizations roles and responsibilities. This was done in order to not duplicate what each group is doing.

- iii. PARCC will work with Law Enforcement and all first responders to do training and distribute Narcan. PARCC will also work with the Lodi School District
- iv. HHS will focus on distributing Nalox boxes and will reach out to local businesses
- v. Bryan let the group know that narcan can be obtained by either PARCC or HHS

**G. Guest Speaker's Ken Prust Madison Vet Center and Rebekka Cary Veteran's Service Officer**

- i. Ken gave a presentation about his role as a Readjustment Counselor with the Madison Vet Center
- ii. Rebekka Cary provided information about her role as the Veteran's Service Officer for Columbia County

**H. GROUP UPDATES:**

**Update from Jenna Retzlaff (Columbia County Public Health)**

- i. Jenna reported Nalox Boxes have been placed at The Ram Hotel, the Market Basket and the Crawford Oil and Propane Laundromat in Portage
- ii. Jenna provided the group with an update on the Community Health Improvement Plan. She provided the group with a draft copy of the plan and asked the group to review the document and take a brief survey concerning the plan

### **Update from Justin Williams (Senator Baldwin's Office)**

- i. Justin let the group know Senator Baldwin is part of the Health Committee and is supporting the "one pill can kill campaign". The Health Committee is working on expanding the "one pill can kill campaign"
- ii. Justin reported the grant for The Harbor Recovery Center is still moving forward

### **Update from Pat Drury from (Satori House)**

- i. Pat introduced new employee Jennifer Harrison. Pat said he is continuing to hire quality people to fill his positions at Satori House
- ii. Pat let the group know Satori House will have a booth at the Taste of Portage this year

### **Update from Jamie Ziegler (Columbia County Drug Court)**

- i. Jamie reported she has been receiving more referrals lately. She has gotten six in the last three weeks

### **Update from Jessica Beckett (Transitions Behavioral Health)**

- i. Jessica announced she and Rebecca have received their Clinic Substance use Counselor license
- ii. The OFR spike alert was briefly discussed. Jessica said once the spike is alerted a press release is sent out to alert people
- iii. Jessica said business cards are being distributed so people can sign up for a text alert
- iv. Jessica said the OFR Report for 2019 is presently being printed. It will contain the summary of cases that the team has reviewed. This will be an annual report

- v. Jessica reported there have been 12 overdose deaths so far this year in Columbia County

**Update from Jessica Beckett (Mat Program)**

- i. The Mat Program had 7 new referrals in June
- ii. The Mat Program had 7 new referrals in July
- iii. The Mat Program has had 10 referrals in August
- iv. 130 total referrals since October of 2022

**Update from Angela Smith (HHS)**

- i. Angela talked about the Room and Board Grant that is available to Columbia County Residence through this year. She encouraged the group to refer any clients that might qualify

**Update from Cassie Hohlstien (HHS Mat/Crissis)**

- i. Cassie informed the group she is leaving her position with the county to work for the Sun Prairie Police Department. Cassie still hope to work with different members of the group while in her new position

**Update from Stephanie Nickel (HHS)**

- i. Stephanie said staffing continues to be an issue and she is down two or three vacancies currently in her department

**Update from Marie Darling-Ellis (HHS)**

- i. Marie introduced herself and said she is working in Narcan outreach. The grant for her position runs through this year

**Update from Kari Due (Aspirus Health)**

- i. Kari from Aspirus told the group that mental health and substance use is a priority for the hospital this year
- ii. Kari said Aspirus is currently involved in the Boys and Girls Club after school program in Portage
- iii. Kari said she continues to partner with PARCC on the medication lock boxes
- iv. Aspirus will host a mental health first aid training in September

### **Update from Katie Day (HHS)**

- i. Katie told the group her team has been seeing a lot of caregiver alcohol drug abuse
- ii. Katie says her team continues to attempt to educate about the harmful effects of fentanyl

### **Update from Faith Gladem (The Harbor Recovery Center)**

- i. Faith told the group she has a current caseload of 32 clients
- ii. Rise up events take place every month at the recovery center
- iii. September 18<sup>th</sup> will be The Harbor's open house along with a rise up to recovery event. Everyone is invited

### **Update from Karen Elsby (Lutheran Social Services)**

- i. Karen introduced herself to the group. Karen provided referral forms to all of the providers. Lutheran Social Services currently has funding to provide treatment to expecting mothers who are injecting substances while pregnant. Referral forms were provided

### **Meeting Adjourned at 2:15 p.m.**

Next Meeting at September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at The Harbor Recovery Center in Portage