

## **PARRCC MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday September 23, 2021**

**Lodi School District Office, Lodi**

**Attendees:** Bryan Bilse (PARCC), Tom Drury (PARCC), Faith Gladem (Community Member), Kory Morgan (Seasons Counseling), Daniel Ruland (WI Counter Drug Program), Patrick Drury (Satori House), Danielle Melby (Satori House), Jessica Beckett (Transitions Behavioral Health), Flo Hilliard (Community Member), Deanna Lord (Lodi Clinic), Diana Karls (Lodi School District), Angela Smith (Columbia County Health and Human Services), Marissa Fredrickson (DOC Probation) Jake Niesen (Satori House)

### **1. PARCCC Updates Bryan Bilse**

#### **A. Bryan Provided a update on the Narcan Bags and their contents**

- i. A meeting was attended by members of PARCC (Bryan, Tom and Jake) and the Columbia County Sheriff's Office concerning bag distribution and procedure
- ii. Jake Niesen (Satori House) will be contacted by the jail prior to the release of an individual. Jake will supply peer support services to the individual once they are released from the jail
- iii. Twenty Five bags were delivered by Bryan to the Jail on September 17, 2021
- iv. PARCC and the Sheriff's Office Jail Supervisors will meet in 90 days to review the program

#### **B. Narcan Distribution Update**

- i. Bryan Delivered 24 does (12 boxes) of Narcan to Columbia County Jail Captain Jim Stilson. The purpose was to replenish existing Narcan that had been used by staff

**C. Safety Fest Poynette September 18, 2021**

- i. Paula and Bryan attended the Poynette Safety Fest and Represented PARCC with a display booth
- ii. The booth contained a “hidden in plain sight” display and other safety related items
- iii. Twenty four lock boxes were handed out to attendees

**D. Delta-8 Fact Sheet and school presentation update**

- i. Bryan provided the group with a newly created Delta-8 Fact Sheet
- ii. Bryan will provide training in the future to staff at Lodi and Portage Schools on Delta-8

**E. Naloxone Box Update**

- i. Bryan will be working with Adam Rogge from the Poynette Police Department to approach a business in Poynette about taking a naloxone box
- ii. Bryan indicated there were several boxes that need to be distributed to businesses who could use them

**F. Handle With Care Program Update**

- i. Bryan reviewed what the Handle with Care Program with the group
- ii. Bryan indicated PARCC is overseeing the Drug Endangered Children group and the Handle with Care Program
- iii. Bryan will attend the Columbia County Police Chiefs meeting in October 2021 to have them sign the MOU in order to get the program going again

**G. Health Equity Video review for Tobacco Grant**

- i. Bryan reviewed the video “Health Care in Rural America” with coalition members
- ii. Transportation issues while trying to get to a health care appointment were discussed
- iii. Maintaining the same physician was also a issue discussed due to physicians leaving a rural area for a more urban one

**H. Tobacco and Alcohol Compliance Checks update**

- i. Bryan told the group both tobacco and alcohol compliance checks have been postponed due to the pandemic. The plan is to do them in the spring depending on the status of the pandemic

**I. Ben Cort Presentation**

- i. Bryan let the group know about a presentation Lodi Community Action Team was sponsoring
- ii. Bryan will send out a advertising flyer to members
- iii. Bryan encouraged the group to spread the word about this important event

**J. Update from Tom Drury**

- i. Tom was excited to announce the creation of a new recovery center in the City of Portage as a result of a generous donation from a private donor
- ii. The board of directors for the new center are: Tom Drury, Faith Gladem, Jessica Beckett, Flo Hilliard, Paula Enger and Kelly Zuelke
- iii. The new center currently does not have a name at this time
- iv. Tom has filed for incorporation for the new center and 501C3 Status will be next

- v. The center will provide family and individual peer support. It will be the site of recovery meetings and community programs. It will also provide youth services and community based education programs. Sober living programs will also be included
- vi. A location for the new center has not yet been selected but somewhere in downtown Portage is ideal due to all the other services located in the area
- vii. The center will plan to open early 2022
- viii. Tom indicated an Executive Director and a support person would be hired at the center

#### **K. Comments from the group about the new treatment center**

**Faith Gladem-** This center will provide for everyone. It has been a very slow and deliberate process to get the center going

**Flo Hilliard-** Hoping people will volunteer at the center. The planning group has a great connection and brings good things to the table

**Jessica Beckett-** This center is really needed. Recovery is a family thing.

**Patrick Drury-** The center will provide a safe place to meet. Family support will be so important. Family sometimes gets lost in the recovery journey.

#### **L. UPDATES FROM THE GROUP**

**Jessica Beckett from Transitions Behavioral Health** had an update about the MAT Grant

- i. Jessica told the group Transitions applied and received the MAT Grant
- ii. Monica Newman has been hired to run the program and be the MAT Case Manager. Monica will start on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- iii. Monica can provide structured group treatment to MAT clients
- iv. Referrals will still go through Columbia County
- v. Jessica said she has been working closely with Angela Smith CCHHS to make a smooth transition

- vi. There are currently 13 clients in MAT and three recent referrals

**Angela Smith-** Indicated she and Jessica are working hard to turn the program around. Angela said the program has not been meeting the requirements in the recent past

#### **Jessica Beckett update on OFR Grant**

- i. Jessica reported the OFR Grant was awarded again
- ii. There have been fifteen overdose deaths in Columbia County this year which is up from last year
- iii. Jessica would like to create an overdose death taskforce. This taskforce would work with the Columbia County Medical Examiner's Office
- iv. The task force would provide peer support, mental health services connected to surviving family members of overdose victims

#### **Jessica Beckett Update on Drug Settlement Money**

- i. Jessica reports the federal drug settlement will be happening soon
- ii. Seventy Percent of the funds will go to individual counties
- iii. Jessica indicated we need to start thinking about how these funds will be spent

#### **Update from Jake Niesen (Satori House)**

- i. Contract has been signed for CCS and MAT Services
- ii. Jake will be hiring 10-15 peer support staff
- iii. Jake's grant will allow him to provide services in Columbia, Dane, Richland, Sauk, Juneau and Marquette Counties
- iv. Satori House Golf Outing fundraiser recently raised \$12,000

#### **Update from Daniel Ruhland (WI Counter drug Program)**

- i. Daniel reported he had received information recently from the DEA about purple heroin
- ii. Purple heroin is dyed the color purple and contains fentanyl
- iii. It is currently popular in the Appleton Wisconsin area
- iv. It is marketed as safer than regular heroin

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Next Meeting will be on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.