

Vermont Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council Meeting Minutes

Department of Liquor Control
13 Green Mountain Drive
Montpelier, Vermont
Wednesday, May 25, 2016
10:00AM – 12:00PM

I. **Welcome and Introductions:**

Welcome

Present: Brandon Olson, Kate Davies, Erin O’Keefe, Peter Espenshade, Mitch Barron, Emily Hawes, John Gramuglia, Teresa Randall, Willa Farrell, Lori Augustyniak, Mark Weikert, Kreig Pinkham, Barbara Cimaglio, Marcia LaPlante

Regrets: Chauncey Liese, Scott Davidson, Melanie Gaiotti, Kalev Freeman, Maria D’Heane, Scott Davidson, Beth Tanzman, Keith Flynn, Craig Jones, Frank Reed, Melissa Bailey, Hal Cohen

I. **Approval of the Minutes:** Meeting minutes for April 27, 2016 approved with no revisions.

II. **Care Alliance for Opioid Addiction Overview and Update**

Erin O’Keefe presented an overview of the HUB and Spoke Program. The number of people served by Hubs has increased while the waitlist has remained constant. Waivers provided by SAMHSA for physicians to prescribe buprenorphine, recruiting new prescribers is an ongoing challenge. Interested parties can contact Tony Folland at ADAP for support. All Hubs must achieve NCQA-PCMH certification. The Chittenden Clinic is the first OTP in the country to achieve this certification.

Brandon Olson discussed the MAT – PDOA (MAT Integration) Grant. The goal of this grant is to improve services, increase access, and improve patient outcomes. This will be done by improving collaboration between Hubs and Spokes as well as between agencies such as DCF, DOC, and other community providers by organizing multi-disciplinary community-based teams within each Patient-Centered Medical Home/Neighborhood (PCMH/N) in order to expand the reach of services.

Please see the Care Alliance presentation attached.

III. **Safe Catch Project**

Chief Facos from the Montpelier Police Department and Deb Hopkins of Central Vermont Substance Abuse Services spoke regarding Project Safe Catch, an initiative that focuses on reducing drug related crime long term by connecting individuals who are willing to get treatment with the appropriate

services. The Montpelier Police Department is working closely with Central Vermont Substance Abuse Services (CVSAS) to connect individuals with support.

The Safe Catch Project has been very well received and is supported by the State's Attorney and US Attorney's Office, as well as the Central Vermont New Directions Coalition.

IV. Next Steps

Next Meetings:

6/22/16 – 10:00am – 12:00pm, DLC, 13 Green Mountain Drive, Montpelier VT

Extended planning session

7/27/16 – 10:00am – 2:00pm, Randolph VT. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to Kate (Katherine.davies@vermont.gov).