

Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee

<i>Date:</i>	11/3/2025	
<i>Location and Time:</i>	Via Microsoft Teams 10 am – 12 pm	
<i>Present:</i>	Kelly Dougherty, Shawn Burke, Thomas Davis Daniel Franklin, Jess Kirby, Deb Wright, Ruth Hardy, Monica Hutt, Eric Maguire, Liz McLoughlin, Madeline Motta, Matt Prouty, Stacy Sigmon, Tim Tanner, Amie Wunderlich	
<i>Absent:</i>	Shawn Burke	
<i>Meeting Facilitator and Note Taker:</i>	Kelly Dougherty, Sarah Gregorek	
Agenda Item	Discussion	Next Steps
Approve October 6, 2025, Minutes Kelly Dougherty	Deb Wright made a motion to approve the 10/6/25 minutes and Daniel Franklin seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.	
Approve October 20, 2025, Minutes Kelly Dougherty	Deb Wright made a motion to approve the 10/20/25 minutes and Liz McLoughlin seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously	
FY27 Funding Proposal Discussion and Vote	Previously, Committee members reviewed applications and provided preliminary feedback on each application. The Committee discussed the spreadsheet from the Department of Health that included additional information about the funding proposals that the Committee requested at its October 20th meeting. The Committee also discussed some of the applications, made suggestions regarding the review process, and asked questions of VDH staff. The Committee requested more time to review all the information on the proposals.	Submit your yes/no/recuse responses via this form no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, 11/6/25

	Motion from Matt Prouty - Each Committee member identify the top 20 applicants outside of this meeting. Ruth Hardy made a motion to amend Matt Prouty's motion (see amended motion, below) and Liz McLoughlin seconded the amendment motion and it passed unanimously. Amended motion: Matt Proudy - Ask the department to provide us with a yes, no or recusal poll on each proposal received and the committee will complete the poll outside of this meeting by Thursday. The poll is whether to invite the applicant to a future meeting to give the committee a 10-minute presentation with more information and budget. We will schedule another meeting soon to conduct a formal vote. Deb Wright seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.	
Recovery Housing and Outreach Worker Funding –Emily Trutor	Emily Trutor, Director of the Division for Substance Use Disorders, presented information to the Committee about the impacts of OSAC funding for recovery housing and outreach workers. Slides from the presentation are available for review on the VDH website. The Department reported it is seeking continued funding for these programs in FY 27 (\$1.4 million for recovery residences; \$455,500 for outreach workers).	Emily's presentation will be posted on the website and will provide demographic and geographic data about the residents.
Public Comment	Maggie Foley, Windham County resident, provided public comment. She asked whether the DSU review was part of the original formalized process for this funding decision and for clarification regarding several components of the DSU spreadsheet. The DSU information is part of the technical, legal and administrative support that, under the statute, the department provides to the Committee. In the application process, such additional information is considered under step #3 where the committee members are providing feedback and consideration of the proposals.	

	Regarding the DSU spreadsheet, the lack of commentary on whether a proposal was intended for statewide use or underserved areas does not mean that the proposal is meant only for local use or underserved areas. Maggie Foley provided further asked the committee members view the DSU commentary understanding that it is selectively or inconsistently applied. She stated that, though she appreciates the expertise of DSU, she does not believe the spreadsheet contains consistent information.	
Next Meeting	November 10, 2025, 2:30 - 3	