

Meeting Minutes of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Community Engagement & Supports Subcommittee December 2, 2021 Approved

Attendees:

Brian Gallagher, Deb Koester, Amy Saunders (joined late), Ashley Shaw, Rachel Thaxton, Kim Tieman (Chair)

Opening:

Kim Tieman (Chair) provided welcome and opening remarks of this regular meeting of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment, Community Engagement & Supports Subcommittee. The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. A quorum of the subcommittee was not present to approve previous August meeting minutes; therefore, these were deferred to later in the meeting if additional subcommittee members joined or will be deferred to the next meeting.. Kim Tieman noted that the focus of this meeting was to review previous prioritization and finalize the draft for the Year 3 (2022) Plan.

Agenda Items

Review and Finalization of Proposed Year 3

The meeting was co-facilitated by Chair Kim Tieman and Deb Koester. With the members in attendance, and the Council Chair, the subcommittee proceeded to review all Goals, Strategies, and KPIs. The following additional notes were captured during the discussion regarding specific KPIs. A summary of all edits and changes can be found on the following pages as an attachment to the minutes. Following completion of all recommended subcommittee changes the final draft of the Year 3 (2022) draft plan for Community Engagement and Supports will be presented to Council for approval and at the Town Hall Meeting for public feedback.

Closing Comments and Adjournment

The subcommittee will meet again when Quarter 3 progress report is ready for review and when Town Hall Meeting feedback is ready for subcommittee review. Kim Tieman closed the meeting by thanking all subcommittee members for attending.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORTS

HOUSING

Goal 1: Increase capacity of recovery housing in West Virginia.

Strategy 1: Create and sustain a system of assessing recovery housing capacity and quality to make funding recommendations and expand resources statewide.

KPI 2: By December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2022, conduct an annual update of the assessment of current recovery housing. (10%)

Strategy 2: Provide training, funding, and resources to increase the capacity of recovery housing in West Virginia.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2022 increase the number of recovery residences that are medication-assisted treatment accessible by 20%.

KPI 2: By December 31, 2021, identify and analyze best practices of successful recovery housing in other states and increase trainings statewide in West Virginia by 25%. (50%)

KPI 3: By December 21, 2021, increase the number of recovery residences for multiple pathways by 10%. (50%)

Strategy 3: Develop and implement a certification process that will assure quality and consistency of recovery housing and the services provided.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2020, engage the West Virginia Alliance of Recovery Residences to complete a certification process in 25% of the recovery residences in West Virginia. (100%)

TRANSPORTATION

Goal 2: Increase availability of transportation in order to access prevention, early intervention, treatment and recovery services.

Strategy 1: Explore innovative models of transportation for individuals with substance use disorder. Based on what is learned about these models, and feasibility of addressing existing barriers, develop innovative strategies that enable individuals with substance use disorders to regain the ability to independently transport.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2020, establish a Recovery Transportation Task Team to research transportation models across the country, document best practices and working models, and develop a plan that includes recommendations to replicate selected models across West Virginia. (100%)

KPI 2: By December 31, 2022, **gather information** from transportation models such as ride-sharing (Huntington pilot project, faith-based organizations, etc.) ~~to explore feasibility (including funding needed) to expand into at least two~~ five more counties with the expansion options, including use of individuals in long-term recovery to provide transportation. (Impact 5 / Effort 5) (80%)

NEW KPI If feasible, expand to at least 2 more counties by Dec 31, 2022.

KPI 3: By December 31, 2021, engage treatment programs to develop internal transportation programs in each region of the state. (25%)

~~KPI 4: By December 31, 2022, gather information to explore feasibility to expand faith-based transportation initiatives to four sites. (Impact 5 / Effort 5) (25%)~~

KPI 5: By June 2021, research transportation models across the country, document best practices and working models. (33%)

KPI 6: By June ~~December~~ 2022, develop a plan that includes recommendations to replicate and expand scalable sustainable selected transportation models across West Virginia.. (Yr 3 0%)

~~**Strategy 2: Create a bundled payment option for medication-assisted treatment that includes transportation.**~~

~~KPI 1: By December 31, 2022 work with DHHR's Bureau for Medical Services to explore options for a pilot bundled payment option and define a payment model for appropriate compensation for medication-assisted treatment that includes transportation to and from treatment services.~~

EMPLOYMENT

Goal 3: Increase employment opportunities for individuals in recovery for substance use disorders through supported employment, apprenticeships, and programs such as Jobs & Hope West Virginia.

Strategy 1: Support jobs creation through existing opportunities that also support recovery housing.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2022, **explore existing funding options** ~~create a funding stream to support employment of individuals in recovery for repairs, renovations, and upkeep for high quality recovery residences.~~ (Impact 3 / Effort 2) (10%)

Strategy 2: Encourage development of a cohesive system to address and promote social enterprises.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2022, ~~significantly advance the document creation of at least 3 entrepreneurial and social enterprise models incubation hubs in the state.~~ (Impact 3 / Effort 4) (15%)

Strategy 3: Assist businesses to employ individuals in recovery.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2020, develop a toolkit for employers to address barriers/needs for education in utilizing those in recovery in the workforce. (Impact 4 / Effort 4) (100%) – add

NEW KPI to hold regional workshops to disseminate and train on using the toolkit across the state (at least 6 chambers to present toolkit) virtual and/or in person

KPI 2: By December 31, 2022, develop a partnership and collaborate with the West Virginia Small Business Development Center **or others** on workshops, trainings, and mentors for small businesses. (Impact 2 / Effort 1) (90%) **continue to partner for things they already offer.**

Strategy 4: Develop regional/local recovery-owned and operated businesses.

~~KPI 1: By March 31, 2021, develop a Task Force Team and collect baseline data on regional recovery-owned and operated businesses in West Virginia. (Impact 1 / Effort 2.5) (100%)~~

KPI 2: By December 31, 2022, increase recovery-owned and operated businesses in West Virginia by 10% annually. (Impact 3 / Effort 4) (50%)

Strategy 5: Assist the recovery community in linking with employment.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2022, and annually develop a state listing of recovery-**supportive accessible** businesses using the indicators developed. (Impact 3 / Effort 3) (25%) **partnering with transition agents and chambers**

NEW KPI – develop set of indicators to designate/measure recovery supportive businesses by March 31, 2022

KPI 2: By December 31, 2022, **document existing pilot at least one** apprenticeship programs **that to** engage and employ individuals in recovery. (Impact 5 / Effort 5) (0%)

KPI 3: By December 31, 2022, **add employment page on ODCP webpage to link create a website or hub to** connect individuals to workforce opportunities, WorkForce West Virginia, Workforce Development Boards, etc. (Impact 3 / Effort 1) (75%) **showcase jobs?**

Strategy 6: Replicate the Work Progress Administration/Civilian Conservation Corps (WPA)/(CCC) model of employment for public works projects.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2022, explore feasibility of replicating a WPA or CCC type model to employ individuals in recovery for public works services. (Impact 4 / Effort 4) (20%) **NEW KPI – develop a plan to replicate including funding and sustainability strategies**

Strategy 7: Train interested individuals in recovery for societal needs (i.e., Meals on Wheels, eldercare, food preparation).

KPI 1: By December 31, 2021, explore organizations with a mission to feed or care for people that would implement jobs programs for individuals in recovery.

(Impact 4 / Effort 4) (0%)

KPI 2: By December 31, 2021, collaborate with local health departments to provide ServSafe Training certifications in the hospitality industries.

(Impact 2.4 / Effort 2) (10%)

NEW KPI – Think Tank – linking groups working in this arena to creating synergy with individuals in recovery

Strategy 8: Employ individuals in recovery to work in public works projects such as construction of rehabilitative housing, tearing down dilapidated structures, renovating existing structures, and other areas of the construction trade.

KPI 1: By December 31, 2022, establish a Recovery to Work Task Team to provide guidance, eliminate barriers, and develop construction-based employment options for individuals in recovery and continue throughout duration of plan.

(Impact 10 / Effort 10) (50%)

~~KPI 2: By December 31, 2021, determine if the recovery community wishes to proceed.~~
(20%)

KPI 3: By December 31, 2022 generate at least 200 construction trade jobs in West Virginia for people in recovery and make referrals to Jobs & Hope West Virginia transition agents for training and education.