

Meeting Minutes of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment March 20, 2024

Attendees:

Dr. Sherri Young, Dora Radford, Schwerts, Justin Smith, Christina Mullins, Deb Koester, Jostin Holmes, Hyla Harvey, Nick Stuchell, Sheila Reynolds, James Berry, Williams Marshall, Dr. Persily, Jorge Cortin, Garrett Moran, Linda Boyd, Amber Blankenships, Dr. Kilkenny, Dr. Christiansen, Dina Williams, Bradley McCoy, Gary Krushasny, Dr. Petrancy, Dr. Harvey, Dr. Maxwell, Yoland Sowards, Sheila Reynolds, Dr. Berry, Dr. Perisly, Jostin Holmes, Carly Glover, Maj Brittany Watson,

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment was called to order at 3:04 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 by the Acting Chair, Dr. Sherri Young. The meeting was conducted by Zoom conference. Quorum was established.

Agenda Items:

Approval of Minutes of January 17, 2024 Meeting

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the January 17, 2024 meeting minutes. Amy Saunders, moved the approval and Stephanie Bond seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous consent without further discussion.

kilkenny

linda boyd

passed

Review and approval of the 2023 Year-End Progress Report

motion

dr berry

petrany

passed

Review and approval of the 2024 Priorities and Implementation Plan

motion

dr maxwell

hyla harvey

passed

2024 Legislative Session Updates - Nicholas Stuchell

which bill n

SB 475 - creates a mandatory registration for all

HB 4667 - prohibits distributing pipe in harm reduction programs

ID bill for vaping turned into a tobacco 21 bill - raise the age to 21 to purchase tobacco products

hb 5540 - lakins law - fentanyl prevention and awareness ed in grades 6-12 yearly,

sb 820 - by dr persily directing dept to develop performance outcome measures for providers to sud inpatient. looking at nationally recognized measures, will be seeking input. report to lochhra by aug 30 imp not later that jan. 1 2025. reflected the elgislature's needs to understand the impace of the dollars being spent on SUD treatment.

budget bill - funds the budget was significantly lower than requested and recommended, if signed, the gov will call a special sesion to fix the budget and restor that funding.

ODCP Updates - Rachel Thaxton

Rachel Thaxton of the Office of Drug Control policies shared updates on WV Overdose Data, CDC Provisional Drug Overdose Counts, WV Fatal Overdose Data and Pending Cases, Comparative Overdose Fatality Rates, WV Overdose by Substance, WV population-weighted fatality rates, HB 3306 Funded Programs Dashboard, Treatment initiatives, Child welfare response, Residential treatment capacity, Law enforcement response, and the Hospital response.

Agency SUD related updates

Bureau for Behavioral Health (BBH)

Reinterated Dr. Persilys commentson budget. SOR had gotten to the point of spending all funds and have got used to having carryover dollars which will not longer be the case. Working on outcomes measures. SAMHSA has national outcome measures already, and looking at GPPRA data. looking at reteniont in treatment, abstinence, housing, lack of involvement with CJS, lack of employment and education. Would like to display on data dashboard, working with partners at WVU to get to provider level with the data, ccbhc demonstration grant would be submitted that day which would increase medicaid match.

Bureau for Public Health (BPH)

Overdose data to action which funds qrts and supports bop in CSMP and funds staff and staff time and training, and linking closed clinics to providers, reverse the cycle program, other pilla rin infectious dsiease prevention hep c hiv and other bbp recently awarded supp funding to include linkages to care for hep c

Bureau for Medical Services (BMS)

Medicaid updates in terms of MAT Medicaid members were up from 14600 down to 1300 injectible produce had increased, 1115 waiver was looking into extension through cms, adding prerelease services of justice involved individuals, expansion of QRTs, expanding options for recovery housing, assisting with employment, expanding to rural areas,

WV Dept of Homeland sec - william marshall

adding more officers to facilities to make programming more effectively, has been a decrease in ods, partnering with BMS to get assistance for reentry on ID cards, have hired over 400 officers,

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

berry

maxwell