Meeting Minutes  
Governor’s Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment

Date: May 8, 2019
Start Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: One Davis Square, Suite 100, East, Charleston, WV

Present: Secretary Bill Crouch, Stacy Nowicki, Diana Whitlock, Dr. Catherine Slemp, Christina Mullins, Dr. Craig Boisvert, Michael Stuart, Thomas Plymale, Major General James Hoyer, Matthew Boggs, Betsy Jividen, Dr. James Berry, Dr. Michael Kilkenny, Brian Gallagher, Kim Tieman and Dr. Jeffrey Coben.

Absent: Dr. Allen Mock, Dr. Joseph Shapiro, Dr. Clay Marsh, Senator Mike Maroney, Delegate Joe Ellington, Sheriff KC Bohrer, Dr. Stephen Petrany, Dr. James Becker, Amy Saunders and Kathy D'Antoni.

Approval of Minutes
Chair Gallagher moved that the minutes of the 4-10-19 meeting be approved. Dr. Slemp seconded and the motion carried.

Strategic Planning process outline
The Council heard an overview of the draft strategic plan and anticipated timeline. Debra Koester and Rebecca King (facilitators) along with Council Chair Gallagher will attend subcommittee meetings to comment on the draft strategic plan and obtain objectives by June 1, 2019.

The Council was asked to save June 7, 2019 for the Strategic Planning Retreat and instructed to let the facilitators know if they needed any additional data for their respective subcommittee meetings.

The Council asked questions about what role of the Opioid Response Plan dated January 30, 2018 would play in the current Strategic Plan that is being developed. Previous plans were pulled into the current draft Strategic Plan.

The Council agreed to go back through the current draft Strategic Plan and update it with what has already been done and what is currently underway.

Subcommittees were asked to prioritize their recommendations for inclusion in the plan due to the volume of recommendations. The Council expects some overlap from various subcommittees. The draft Strategic Plan will be effective for 3 years.
Updates

General Hoyer
The National Guard is working on construction and agriculture-based training. The initial class will be done by the end of the month. Contractors will come and do interviews. The initial class was with guardsmen so they can work out the bugs in the class and the process. They have been working with Recovery Point about setting up a second class in June. They also have an agriculture class they will start in June.

Bureau for Behavioral Health (BBH)
Last Tuesday, BBH held training for SOR awardees for treatment and peer support. Approximately 60 people attended and discussed proposals. The participants ranged from first time participants to those with extensive experience in this domain. BBH is currently working the get SOWs and budgets revised for July 1 start date.

SOR supplemental funding is waiting on final budget approval.

There will be an open house for St. Joe’s Ryan Brown site in Parkersburg. Medicaid levels 3.5 and 3.1 will be reassessed in 3 months. This is the 3rd Ryan Brown facility to open.

Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP)
Shatterproof will be here to present at the West Virginia Behavioral Health Association meeting and will host a luncheon for other providers. Stakeholder letters went out to providers. There is an aggressive time frame.

ODCP is working with NGA and there is a planning meeting in Cleveland the 2nd week in June along with Ohio, Indiana and Illinois on how to improve treatment within corrections and within those returning to society.

Bureau for Public Health (BPH)
BPH had traveled to Lexington to tour a recovery residence. People are paroled directly from corrections. It is peer run and professionally facilitated. There is a parole officer on-site. Much opportunity to use this model in corrections exists along with opportunity to improve the care the incarcerated population receives.

Presentations
The Council heard presentations from Debra Koester and Dr. Emma Eggleston on the status and plans for the Wyoming and Jefferson/Berkeley County Pilot projects. Power Point presentations for the same were circulated to the Council.

Adjournment
Matthew Boggs moved that the meeting be adjourned. Chair Gallagher seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.