

Governor's Council of Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Recovery Community Subcommittee

May 11, 2021 at 3 p.m.

Attendees: Matt Boggs, Greg Perry, Marc Jackson, Kevin Knowles, Jon Dower, Raj Masih, Joe Deegan

Approval of Meeting Minutes for March & April – moved by Jon, second by Kevin, all in favor.

Review of Strategic Plan

The latest draft of the strategic plan has not been disseminated to the subcommittee. Rachel will email Deb to get the latest draft to finalize. Jon made a motion to take a vote outside the structure of this meeting to approve the strategic plan, Kevin seconded, all in favor. Rachel will send the latest draft and ask for feedback and approval before the next Governor's Council meeting.

Recovery Month and Upcoming Events

Introduction to Recovery Community Organization (RCOs), May 25, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Presented in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Health and Resources, Office of Drug Control Policy, Patty McCarthy, with Faces & Voices of Recovery, will discuss the national landscape of RCOs including the RCO development process, standards and best practices, and sustainability.

Rachel will send more info about webinar.

WVPRSS conference – June 22-24

Rachel will send more info.

Recovery Month – September 2021

This committee could play an important role in Recovery Month activities.

National Recovery Month Theme (FaVoR) – Recovery is for Everyone

Legislative Updates

HB 2427 – Joe's groups met with Jolynn Marra, Director of OHFLAC, who noted there could not be a change to the rule due to being in statute. After further investigation by the group, it was decided that there is nothing in statute that would prevent a rule change. Joe, Phil Shimer, and Mark Drennan will continue to discuss potential changes to the child abuse/neglect registry process through CPS with OHFLAC.

Blocked the 10-year supervision bill.

Parity bill passed - It is unclear whether MCOs have to follow federal parity guidelines. Look at other states, Ohio and Virginia, to see if they are having the same problems with length of stay. Matt

suggested to check with Massachusetts; they passed parity legislation years ago but were not successful establishing an enforcement body.

Harm Reduction bill – people are still trying to figure out how to work with all the rules that were just passed.

Other Business

Meetings will move from monthly to quarterly after strategic plan is finalized. The next meeting will be held at 3pm on July 19.

How can people get involved with other subcommittees?

Adjourn

Greg moved, Jon second, all in favor.