

Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention

Recovery Community Subcommittee

July 13, 2021; 3:00 p.m.

Attendees: Rachel Thaxton, Matt Boggs, Kevin Knowles, Jonathan Dower, JoAnna Vance, Greg Perry, Marc Jackson, Raj Masih, Joe Deegan

Welcome and Introductions

Review and Approval of May meeting minutes

Marc made a motion, Jon seconded, all in favor. May meeting minutes were approved.

Review of Final Strategic Plan Section

Matt thanked the group for their input and participation. This plan will be presented to the Governor's Council tomorrow, July 14, at 3pm.

Matt and Rachel worked with Deb to "wordsmith" some of the goals, strategies, and KPIs. They also made them time-bound and measurable.

Matt walked the group through each goal for approval.

Only KPIs that were in progress already have an end date of December 31, 2021. Most of the KPIs will have a completion date of December 31, 2022.

For Goal 1 Strategy 3, will have to think about how information will be shared for 'recovery response teams'. Raj should be included in the development of this initiative.

Greg moved to approve the plan, Raj seconded, all in favor. Plan is approved to present to the Governor's Council.

Recovery Month and Upcoming Events

August 28th – Day of Hope

September 1 – Save-a-Life Day

September 10th – Rally for Recovery – RPH – 5pm

September 24th – WV Collegiate Recovery Conference

September 25 & 26th – Hope in the Hills

September 25th – Save-a-Life Day in Mon County

Joe requested members and orgs to send content for the last week in September.

WVDAAC conference – August 9th – August 11th

FaVoR RCO National Conference – October – 20th anniversary –
<https://rls.facesandvoicesofrecovery.org/>

Legislative Updates

Matt provided an update on pending litigation for SSP/HRPs in WV.

HB 2427 – PRSS/CPS issue - a lawyer has sent a letter to Jolynn Marra at OHFLAC and she responded that they would let individual behavioral health centers make those decisions. More education is needed for providers.

Parkersburg is pushing a temporary moratorium on residential treatment facilities and recovery residences. 200 advocates including attorneys will be showing up at the City Council in Parkersburg to advocate for this ordinance. Someone to speak at the WV Municipal League conference about this issue. Kevin is the President and will start the conversation.

Dr. Gupta was appointed as the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Use this as an opportunity to engage him about WV specific issues.

Recovery Set Aside – President Biden placed a historic increase on the SAMH block grant – within that increase there is a proposed 10% recovery set-aside – proposed \$280M

Other Business

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Adjourn

Joe made a motion to adjourn, Jon seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.