

# **Meeting of the Recovery Community Subcommittee Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment October 5, 2021**

## **Attendees:**

Rachel Thaxton, Kevin Knowles, Joe Deegan and Raj Masih

## **Welcome and Introduction**

Matt Boggs, subcommittee chair, was unable to attend the meeting. Rachel Thaxton stepped in to facilitate the meeting in his absence. A quorum was not established.

## **Review and Approval of July Meeting Minutes**

The group reviewed and did not have any changes to the July meeting minutes but could not officially approve because a quorum was not present.

## **Review of Q3 Strategic Plan Reporting**

Rachel walked the group through the Q3 reporting form (Q1 for this part of the plan). All comments and notes were recorded on that form. The group approved of the reporting but could not officially vote.

## **Virtual Town Hall Meetings for Public Comment on Year 3 Action Plan**

Town Hall Dates:

November 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>

All virtual town halls will be held from 10am to 12pm. Rachel shared that ODCP is still looking for moderators for these meetings. She will send the flyer to register for these individually as soon as she has a copy. She asked subcommittee members to please register and attend the Recovery Community Subcommittee Town Hall on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 10am-12pm.

The group discussed a hosting a town hall for people with lived experience. They chose December 16<sup>th</sup> from 5pm – 7pm and set aside time for another subcommittee meeting to work on the details of that event. The next subcommittee meeting will be held on November 9, 2021.

## **Criminal Justice and Justice Involved Populations Subcommittee Representative**

The group decided that Joanna Vance would represent the Recovery Community Subcommittee on the Criminal Justice Subcommittee to fulfill one of the KPIs in the strategic plan. Rachel will reach out to Joanna and the subcommittee.

## **Volunteers to participate in Job Corps Planning**

The group decided that Marc Jackson would represent the Recovery Community Subcommittee on the Job Corps Planning calls/meetings. Rachel will reach out to Marc.

## **Legislative Updates**

Recovery Advocacy Day at the capitol will be February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Clarifying the difference between treatment beds and recovery beds.

The Office of Recovery created by SAMHSA was acknowledged.

Federal Roundtable was held last week by the Appalachian Recovery Alliance where they discussed the 10% set aside for recovery, recognition of abstinence-based recovery of a valid pathway. Medicare reimbursed for treatment. Another roundtable is planned with the state legislature.

## **Meeting Adjourned**