

Durham Joins Together to Save Lives Task Force

Mental Health Treatment Committee

Minutes

March 10, 2020

Attendees: Carlyle Johnson, Hilda Smith, Amy O'Regan, Andrea D_____, Keisha McGill, Elijah Bazemore, Rebecca _____, Alesha McKinley, Lacie Scofield, Cindy Haynes, Joy Brunson Nsubuga, Lauren Brinkley-Rubinstein, Marc Strange, Donna Rosser, Larry Greenblatt, Karen Verhaeghe, Kay Sanford

The group convened, Cindy welcomed everyone and began introductions.

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Alliance Health

Carlyle informed the group that he is tracking the current funding. The contract for ED PSS to cover November 2019 – February 2020. The Program Coordinator has been hired and she is joining us today Ms. Lacie Scofield. As for the Detention Center we will cover the hiring of Detention PSS and LCAS. The contract has been sent to Joy for signing. Joy stated that once they have access to their computers (county lockdown), then we should begin hiring. Joy met with finance department to run the numbers to see if we run Full Time positions and on call in the early morning. The Detention Center LCAS and PSS is through RI as well, so we are looking at what funding will look like after September when it runs out.

DRRC OBOT Update

Joy stated that the numbers are in her email and she can't access them currently due to the county lockdown. A part of the funding was to assist with the pathway - finding that the Alliance and PSS connecting to DRRC having OBOT, we haven't got the calls as we would like. We have engaged 92 individuals, inducted 32 on buprenorphine, continued 15 on buprenorphine and 16 methadone served in OBOT. Joy to share communications sent out with this group. Rasheeka sent out an invite for the MAT Collaborative (BAART, LCHC, and Hope Center), anyone can come. Shavonne Hamilton at Duke can assist with this. Amy to send her contact information. Eleanor Health was included in the invite. We can also reach out to Dr. Aparna Kamath at Duke Regional. Dr. Greenblatt will reach out to Dr. Kamath.

MAT in the Detention Center Update (Major Bazemore, Dr. Lauren Brinkley-Rubenstein, Shonica Jones)

Major Bazemore reported March 30 is a soft start of MAT induction and we hope to have everything in place by April 22, 2020. Six months with control group, may start with less criteria participating in STAAR. Ninety day evaluation to expand. Monday at 10:00 the grant committee will meet. Thank you to Lauren, we received an award of 93K for FIT/MAT person the community (4/2020-5/2021). A 900,000 grant for 3 year period we are eligible for and we applied as we don't have funding for Wellpath. We are meeting with the legal advisor in two

weeks. Thank you to Captain McKinley for getting the lesson plan wrapped up. Carlyle talked with Beth about the 6.5 million to support 6 new sites. We still have funding from April – September. During the meeting on Monday at 10:00 we will lay out the budget April –July. The 900,000 TBD in the fall.

Next steps are:

- DRRC to sign contract and hire ED PSS and Detention Center PSS and LCAS
- Connecting Duke and Duke Regional with DRRC
- Dr. Greenblatt to reach out to Dr. Kamath regarding representing Duke Regional and attending the Mental Health Treatment Committee meetings.
- MAT Collaborative Update
- MAT induction to begin in April
- Major Bazemore will contact Sherriff Birkhead about the Mental Health Treatment Committee getting on the agenda for the next County Commissioner's April Work Session

Please note our meeting time has changed. We will begin at **3:00 PM** instead of 4:30 PM at the Durham Department of Public Health in the 2nd floor conference room.

***Our next committee meeting is scheduled April 14, 2020 at 3:00 PM via WebEx and phone.**