

Durham Joins Together to Save Lives Task Force

Mental Health Treatment Committee

Minutes

April 9, 2019

Attendees: Elijah Bazemore, Stephanie Eucker, Charles Browning, Carlyle Johnson, Greg James, Rita Hunter, Katie Mallette, Kay Sanford, Lauren Brinkley, Tremaine Sawyer, Cheryl Scott, Joy Brunson-Nsubuga, Victoria Thornton, Cindy Haynes

The group convened and began introductions. The minutes were approved as submitted. Joy provided an update on the Peer support specialist. All three peer support specialist have been hired. They are currently in RI orientation. DRRC will hire a fourth peer navigator hired to serve as back up to the others. The training is scheduled for the end of May. Joy submitted the budget to Gayle for ongoing cost after grant funding ends. Katie stated that the county has included \$116,000 in the budget. Joy also mentioned that the EHR meeting is scheduled for April 10th to discuss data elements and data agreements between county and DRRC. Dr. Eucker suggest asking if Duke could be added to the data agreement.

Dr. Browning stated that they have three psych NPs and 1 psych MD waived. Opening MAT testing expanding next week. Dr. Browning offered to train Duke and Duke Regional ED Staff during the RI meeting to acquaint staff. Dr. Browning, Eucker and Burroughs to schedule the meeting. The start date for the program will be the first week of May 2019. Karen suggested that we develop a media campaign to inform providers, patients, and their families of the Peer Support Specialist services. Cindy, Dr. Eucker, Dr. Browning, and Joy will put together a flyer for dissemination.

Dr. Eucker informed the group that the PSS ED protocol is under review. She will be the PI for the data collection. She is working on the approval of the data sharing from Duke.

Dr. Carlyle Johnson informed the group that there was a funding opportunity announcement and he reached to committee members for their thoughts on applying. He stated that Alliance Health has requested 1.7 million from SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration) for a one time expenditure to support MAT in jail, PSS in Duke ED, and, SDOH. If awarded the funding will need to be spent by September 30, 2019.

For MAT in the Detention Center update, Major Bazemore informed the group that the Bridge grant was submitted and the have received notice that the application met requirements. He also announced that he, Lauren, Cindy, Tremaine, met with NC Healthcare Association (NCHCA). They were very impressed with the work we are doing in Durham County our 4-tier approach to implement MAT in the detention center. We discussed the SDOH, the need for housing, medications, access to treatment when released to be successful with the project. NCHA will attend our May meeting to discuss the work they have done with PSS and MAT in the Detention Center and to discuss ways they can support our efforts. NCHCA has also invited those of us working on MAT in the detention Center to join their Coalition For Model Opioid

Practice Task Force and considering developing a subcommittee for to represent our efforts. The next meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2019 at NCHCA.

Sheriff Birkhead mentioned that we may also want to reach out to the Mayor's Initiative because they are working on addictions and there maybe some overlap where we could possibly work together on.

Dr. Eucker updated us on evaluation and program outcomes. We need IRB approval to merge data from Duke and DRRC. Alliance can assist, if a MOU is in place stated Carlyle. Maybe 30, 60, 90 day follow up; OBOT, MAT in the ED. Tracking hospitals, using Medicaid for data collection. Alliance can gather prescription data. Lauren said we should look at this with the detention center as well.

Michelle suggested that if we were trying to figure out if they could pull data/claims to determine if folks had not only gone to DUH or DRH, but also any of the hospitals in the Northern Counties for overdose. We may be able to use the program COACH. It may still have connections to those hospitals. Michelle recommends talking with Tony at PHMO would be a first step to see if that is the case.

Greg James with Oracle presented on possible opportunities. Oracle works with taking silo data and makes it more useable across local and state governments. Allows for inter-departmental data sharing.

Next steps are:

- Have NCHA to present at May Meeting on Peer Support Work in NC
- Reach out to PHMO staff to discuss real time data captured in COACH
- Reach out to Mayor's Initiative to discuss overlap in projects
- Develop a flyer to promote Peer Support Specialist Services
- Dr. Browning to provide presentation to train Duke ED staff
- Confirm number of Naloxone Kits the county has available for the ED
- Coordinate meeting to discuss outpatient follow up

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 for May 14th at 3:00 PM, Location TBD