

MINUTES

Purpose: Engage Okaloosa County community members in a health improvement process through an open, two-way dialogue to provide feedback for each OCHIP group and ensure continuity, especially regarding substance use-related activities.

Present: Petra Maddens, Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County (DOH-Okaloosa); Emily Pickens, DOH-Okaloosa; Amanda Colwell, DOH-Okaloosa; Beth Smith, DOH-Okaloosa; Stephanie Wedel, Freedom Life Compass; Robert Bage, Fort Walton Beach Police Department; JB Whitten, City of Crestview.

Absent: Lynn Wadsworth, DOH-Okaloosa; Deb Willis, West Florida Area Health Education Center; Ardelle Bush, Healthy Start Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Danielle Wilson, Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center; Jessica Trimboli, Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office.

Welcome & Introductions – Elizabeth “Beth” Smith

- Beth opened the meeting and welcomed attendees. She reviewed the meeting's purpose and agenda.
- Attendees reviewed results from the Community Engagement Survey from the previous meeting. Responses were positive, citing strong attendance and good collaboration.

International Overdose Awareness Day Planning – OCHIP Champions

Goals/Audience

- Attendees agreed the audience should include the public. This will require a good 'hook' to bring in participants other than community partners.
- Emily led discussion to develop goals. The following were agreed upon:
 - To educate attendees on resources and how to get help.
 - To improve attendees understanding of the problem.
 - To inspire hope for change.
 - To inform the public of initiatives working to 'solve the problem'.
- Stephanie stated social media graphics and flyers should be developed ASAP. Emily will submit a PIO request and work on draft designs prior to the next planning meeting.
- Attendees agreed on the following 'asks' of attendees:
 - Share information about IOAD on social media. Display pinwheels and/or yard signs in observance on August 31st.
 - Take Emergency Overdose Kits to worksite and/or participate in Narcan training.

Agenda

- Stephanie reminded the group Saturday, August 31st is Labor Day Weekend. She suggested other dates be considered. Champions agreed to move the event to Thursday, August 29th instead in the Fellowship Hall that seats around 175 people.

- Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. The program will be 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- Stephanie will work with Crosspoint to cover food costs for dinner.
- Emily will make an RSVP to help with food estimates and capacity.
- Attendees reviewed the tentative agenda from the previous meeting.
 - Chief Bage encouraged the opening session to focus on local issues and tie in well with the testimonial session to follow. Speaker(s) for the opening session is undetermined. The Medical Examiner was suggested.
 - He also encouraged the session or educational materials be developed to illustrate the history of substance use in the community and the evolution of the opioid epidemic in comparison to others of the past.
 - Emily will mockup some graphics with a timeline effect.
 - The following agenda was agreed upon moving forward:
 - Dinner and Housekeeping (30 minutes)
 - Opening Session: The Problem & Statistics (20 minutes)
 - Family/Personal Testimonial(s) (30 minutes)
 - Community Opioid Program Updates (15 minutes)
 - Lived Experience & Experts Panel (45 minutes)
 - Closing & Next Steps (10 minutes)

Speakers

- Mayor Whitten agreed to serve as the event facilitator. He will help open and close the event and move sessions along from one speaker to another.
- Stephanie will work to find someone to provide a familial and/or personal testimonial at the event. This will illustrate the various 'faces of addiction' in the community.
- Speakers from the Revive Awareness Day Press Conference will provide updates on their new programs (i.e. POST, 24-Hour Detox, and Community Paramedicine).
- Attendees discussed panel members, agreeing it should include those with lived experience and leaders in various fields (i.e. public safety, treatment).
 - Stephanie agreed to participate.
 - Greg Cain and Ken LaPee were suggested for Public Safety.
 - Jenna or Candi from Bridgeway's outpatient detox.
 - Vanessa d'Aquin from Crossroads Medical Center.
 - Another panelist with lived experience TBD.
 - Emily agreed to facilitate. Jessica Trimboli was also suggested.

Planning Workgroup

- Emily opened discussion to determine where future meetings would be held. Stephanie suggested Post-Overdose Response Team meetings be separated from Healthy Behaviors and allow that group to focus on IOAD planning.

- Emily agreed that Healthy Communities has housing and pedestrian safety initiatives ongoing or coming up soon. She will work to ensure communication is happening across groups and both groups are receiving IOAD planning invites.
- Beth agreed this was the best course of action. Attendees agreed.
- Beth stated the importance of including the School District in the event planning. Emily will reach out to Terri Schroeder and Tracey Lamb.

Action Items – OCHIP Champions

- Stephanie will book the Fellowship Hall at Crosspoint for Thursday, August 29th. She will work with leadership regarding dinner.
- Emily will invite OCSD contacts to the next planning meeting.
- Emily will draft materials illustrating the history of the opioid epidemic and impactful moments (i.e. fentanyl surge, legislation, etc.). She will also create an RSVP form.
- Emily and DOH-Okaloosa PIO will develop event marketing materials.

Closing – Amanda Colwell

- Amanda thanked attendees for participating and asked them to complete the meeting evaluation form to provide feedback.

Next Meeting – July 25th at DOH-Okaloosa at 9:00 a.m.

Action Items	Owners	Deadline	Status
Contact DEA local office for a potential IOAD speaker	Jessica Trimboli	Next meeting	In Progress
Reserve Fellowship Hall for August 29 th and determine food for dinner	Stephanie Wedel	June 13 th	Complete
Develop marketing and educational materials for event	Emily Pickens and DOH-Okaloosa PIO	June 13 th	In progress
Invite OCSD contacts to next meeting	Emily Pickens	June 13 th	Complete
Create RSVP form for IOAD event	Emily Pickens	June 13 th	Complete