

MINUTES

Purpose: Engage Okaloosa County community members in a health improvement process through an open, two-way dialogue to create an environment with healthy and safe children, families, and communities free of the negative impact of substance use and drug activity.

Attendees: Amanda Colwell Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County (DOH-Okaloosa), Emily Pickens, DOH-Okaloosa; Danie Crowley, DOH-Okaloosa; Danielle Wilson, Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center; Dana Hodges, Early Learning Coalition of the Emerald Coast; Claire Jones, A Bed 4 Me Foundation; Jessica Trimboli, Okaloosa County Sherriff's Office; Leslie Fuller, The Pearl Project; Teresa Schroeder, Okaloosa County School District; Daniel Vega, Healthy Start Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties; Greg Cain, Okaloosa County EMS; Roberta Welch, Bridgeway Center, Inc.

Welcome & Introductions – Amanda Colwell

- Amanda Colwell opened the meeting and welcomed attendees.
- Minutes from August 14, 2024, were reviewed and approved.
- Danie Crowley reviewed the meeting's purpose and agenda. Danie shared the results from the Community Engagement Survey from the previous meeting. Attendees felt that their ideas were valued. The surveys concluded we are making great progress.

Action Plan Updates – Danielle Wilson and Jessica Trimboli

Post Overdose Support Team

- Emily reported the Post Overdose Support Team (POST) responded to nine overdoses. While they had fewer client contacts this month, they reached about 50% of the families when clients were unavailable. The overall number of overdoses have declined.
- **International Overdose Awareness Day Updates**
- Jessica shared there were approximately 250 attendees; engagement was positive.
- Emily will send out an anonymous feedback survey.
- **Food Insecurity Project**
- Claire noted Crosspoint Church is interested in contributing \$700.00 and suggested providing more details to encourage organizational participation.
- Jessica mentioned a possible radio opportunity for fundraising.

Run4Health

- Amanda announced the Run4Health 5K will be on April 5, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. at Crestview Community Center. Proceeds will benefit the Early Learning Coalition.
- Dana Hodges suggested the theme "Running Through the Decades," with team leads for each decade: 60's- Danielle Wilson, 70's- Petra Maddens, 80's- Dana Hodges, 90's Jessica Trimboli, Current- Emily Pickens.
- Dana proposed that vendor registration be a raffle prize to help with engagement.
- Food truck ideas include ice cream, doughnuts, crepes, Italian ice, and others that are either breakfast or a sweet treat due to the event timeframe.

- Amanda suggested adding a Fun Run for younger children. Attendees agreed.
 - Claire Jones suggested mapping the fun run to be a loop that way young kids could drop out as they get tired.
- Attendees discussed marketing strategies, including reaching out to middle and high school track teams, distributing flyers at races leading up to the 5K, leaving flyers on cars at community events, and using social media, radio and TV ads.
- Awards will include prizes for age groups, as well as best dressed and most spirited.

Drug Endangered Children Training

- Jessica has a training scheduled with the Community Resource Deputies soon.
- She also shared the next DEC trainings will target childcare providers, followed by community-wide sessions. Emily suggested they be combined with the substance use community education campaign the OCHIP Champions are working on.
 - Dana noted childcare providers are seeking training on Lockdown and Secure procedures. Jessica suggested combining ALICE training DEC training at childcare centers to meet their needs.

Action Items- Danielle Wilson

- Emily will send out the IOAD feedback survey.
- Claire will provide additional details for the food insecurity project.
- Allison will develop graphics for the Run4Health 5K event.

Open Discussion- All

- Leslie shared The Pearl Project will hold a provider fair at Crosspoint 10/25/2024.
- Claire shared that A Bed4Me has two upcoming events that have been sold out.

Closing – Emily Pickens

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

Next Meeting – Tuesday, October 15th at 10:00 a.m. at Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center in Niceville and via Microsoft Teams.

Action Items	Owners	Deadline	Status
Procure support from community members for the food insecurity project	Claire Jones	Ongoing	In Progress
Develop graphics for the Run4Health 5K	Allison Dozier	10/15/2024	Not started
Send out IOAD feedback survey	Emily Pickens	Ongoing	In Progress