

Seneca County Community Services Board

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ASA SUBCOMMITTEE Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2022

(Conducted via videoconference)

Members Present – Tammy Orlopp, Pat Plyter (Interim chair), Robert Shields, Tim VanDamme (CAA), Karen Burcroff (Substance Abuse Coalition), Joseph Lorenzetti (CSB), Mary Ker (VanDyke), Danielle Tilden (FLACRA), Mike Alessio, Tanya Doverspike, Jeremy Miller (Helio)

Excused – Margaret Morse, Jeremy Miller (HelioHealth), Rhonda Jasper (United Way)

Welcome – Meeting was called to order. Introductions made.

Secretary minutes from March - Motion to accept initiated by Mike Alessio and seconded by Pat Plyter . No discussion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.

The ASA plan was reviewed.

Danielle Tilden – FLACRA – A report was submitted. The ESG funding is still available for Seneca, Yates and Ontario Counties. FLACRA is looking to grow and support additional properties, and there is potential capacity for Seneca County. One of the challenges FLACRA still sees is a stigma around supported housing and independent housing models with individuals with behavioral health disorders, whether it is mental health or substance abuse. Jessica Chase is the key contact person for anything related to housing. Jessica Chase knows the ins and outs of the 15 to 20 housing grants that FLACRA has, as well as who is eligible for what and in what areas.

Karen Burcroff – Substance Abuse Coalition – Pride survey was conducted last week and 3 of the 4 school districts participated. The data reports will be generated next week. There have been students caught with edibles in Seneca County schools as well as neighboring counties.

There are 235 family time boxes for the families of UPK students in all four school districts and the Triple P is in these boxes to get the information to families. Also the Community Counseling Center flyers were added to the family boxes.

Tim VanDamme - CAA – Quarterly report was submitted. The report covers from January to May, John Kreiglestein has done the ADPEP programs. John has done a lot of learning trainings that are listed on the front of the report. There were three sessions of Hidden in Plain sight in Waterloo school districts and 1 community member at a night session. This was a total of 21 contacts. Next week the council is

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doing a Hidden in Plain Sight for Seneca County DSS. John continues to provide anger management and gambling presentation out at VanDyke for 3 groups with 29 contacts. John has received his Triple P accreditation. John has provided Triple P sessions at FLACRA connections at the Drop In Center. January through April the council has been pushing out the Triple P program and have had over 146,000 impressions on social media. The council is hoping over the summer to reconnect and have a presence in all four Seneca County school districts. Hidden in plain sight for the teachers was sponsored by the Waterloo teacher resource center, which is strictly about professional development. Hidden in Plain sight is a make shift teenage bedroom to show parents, adults, teachers or staff members all the different ways a teen can hide vape paraphernalia. This should be required for all school staff to take part in. In order to do these programs in the schools there has to be superintendent approval.

Vaping and nicotine in schools is starting with kids that are younger and younger as time goes on.

Tammy Orlopp – Reports were sent out for Addictions Treatment Programs.

Prevention – OASAS has new evidenced based programs and the clinic was able to get funding to purchase new programs. Positive Action is being promoted in Romulus and South Seneca School districts. Classroom presentations are being changed to remove, refuse, reduce for education on perception of harm. These will be presented in Waterloo and Seneca Falls secondary and high schools.

Treatment – We have access daily and MAT access within 24 hours. On the ASA report it reports jail admissions, drug charges, overdoses, overdose deaths, Narcan uses, how many clients have opiate disorders, and how many clients started Medicated Assisted Therapy. Rob Shields does Narcan education at multiple public venues. Anyone who has not had an encounter with law enforcement would not show up on the ODMAP.

Gambling – The clinic works collaboratively with the United Way to educate the community and has media campaigns on the awareness and knowledge for gambling and knowing your limits. The clinic also works collaboratively with The Council, whose person goes to VanDyke and does some gambling prevention and problem gambling.

Rob Shields - Certified Peer Advocate – Peer advocates are bringing new clients over to the peer connections in Seneca Falls at the DIC. Al Anon meetings take place at the DIC on Saturday nights from 5pm to 6pm for families of someone who has alcohol or drug addiction.

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Narcan trainings are held every Saturday at the farmers markets. Reach out to Rob Shields if there are any stores, or businesses that would like Narcan training.

Mary Ker – Van Dyke – Quarterly report was submitted. VanDyke is still open with 22 male beds. The food service program has started since Willard has closed. There has been some equipment delivered, a cook ready to go. Hoping in the not to distant future for a stove to begin cooking. The statistics on the report have been broken down further, showing April to middle of June – 64 admissions, over half have a co-existing psychiatric disorder. County residents are from all counties throughout NYS. The nurse practitioner does a gambling screen with every admission. The report also shows the primary substances – a third is alcohol, a third is stimulants of some kind and the last third are heroin or other opiates. Primary referrals are from other substance abuse programs in NY. Fairly significant amount of referrals are self-referrals.

Jeremy Miller – Helio – There was a press conference with senator Schumer pushing at the federal level to make 3 billion dollars available for recovery centers. There are a number of things that go into this. If this is approved it will help Helio to expand services. There are a couple of mergers that are about to expand the footprint of Helio and allow Helio to open up more facilities. For Jeremy, he has been locked down into a region for the Finger Lakes. If anyone would like more information about Helio, please contact Jeremy Miller. Jeremy has been going into the vape stores, smoke shops, tattoo parlors and handing out information on mental health supports, substance abuse disorder supports. This has been beneficial as someone goes into the vape store to buy whatever they are buying and those people are seeing the information and at least looking at it and some take info with them. There are some beds available at The Willows in Syracuse. This facility does accept post-partum women with infants up to 3 months old.

A motion to accept the ASA Plan made by Pat Plyter and seconded by Mike Alessio.

Next meeting will be held September 20 @ 5:30pm. CSB to follow at 6:30pm.

Submitted by: L. Reynolds