



**Behavioral Health Task Group
Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2019
9:30 am to 11:00 am
Adams State Service Center**

Call to Order - Welcome & Introductions done by Committee Chair: Kym Alvarado.
Meeting facilitated by Cheryl Doucette

Janet Urdahl made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes and was seconded by Qiana Dorn. Minutes were approved unanimously by the committee.

Attendees: Total - 30 **New Attendees** - 8

Guest Speakers:

- Dr. Julius Millen Sr. Children and Family First (CFF)
 - Introduce the Seaford Casey Community Project
 - Collaborations between SCHC and CFF
 - First Lady Carney is focused on reducing the abuse and neglect around the youth in Sussex County
 - 6 communities were identified
 - Town hall type meetings were held in the community in Seaford since that was a target area.
 - ✓ Next Steps were to hire a few outreach team members to research the data.
 - ✓ What will bring the data to life is creating focus groups in the hotspots in the area. Communities, organizations that work with the youth in questions, etc.
 - ✓ We want to listen to the families and what are the priorities

- What we need from you as a partner?
 - DO you have information that might help?
 - Would you be willing to comment to some stake holder meetings?

- Andrew Braune – Danio Connect
 - Danio Connect is to build a trustworthy network of nonprofit organization who provide a source of important information, news, research and more.

- Free for all the non-profits
- A way to impact, unity and impact the message of your organization
- Goal is to raise a million dollar through the platform for the Non-profit sector.
- Create a profile page.
 - Providing and connecting with other nonprofits in daily emails with partners that you have connected with.
 - Can reach the Profit world as well.

Old Business/Updates:

Cheryl Doucette

- Review Action Items from June 2019 Meeting
 - Training for nurses and healthcare providers around trauma informed care and stigma – in process
 - Confirm CEO on agenda for the Oct 2019 Quarterly Meeting - completed
 - Awareness and Stigma Reduction:
 - Overview for what atTAcK addiction are doing. – in process
 - Overview for what NAMI is doing – Bob will report out
- Delaware Goes Purple Update – Cheryl Doucette
 - Share updates from the August Drug Free Communities Meeting
 - Create groups to lead the charge in each county to “Go Purple”
 - Peggy Discussed the awareness campaign that are coming out around the proper use for RX drugs.
 - This awareness around good communication around peoples needs in a way that people understand it and can relate to it.
 - We have secured WBOC and Print Media
 - PSA are set to go out in the next week on WBOC
 - This campaign is privately funded
 - Please fill out the Commit to GO PURPLE
 - Kent County Chair will be the Chairs
 - Sussex County is Dave Layton and Sharon Harrington
 - New Castle will be Peggy, Erin Booker and Mike Gavula
 - Cheryl will discuss the HeNN Apt with Danio

PURPLE Update:

- Who is going purple with us?
- Work with your organization to see what you can do
- If everyone reaches out to one other organization, we can reach across the county
- Bringing Chris Herren back for a community event in Dover, and to a school
 - Seeking sponsorship
 - Looking for partners
- Awareness:
 - We know there is an opioid problem, but access is an issue – where does one get support? Grief groups? Family support?
 - How do we alleviate the pain and suffering from the epidemic?

- Empowering community to be knowledgeable about their health care, ask questions and know your family history

Partner Announcements

Group Discussion

- The Behavior Health Consultants with Children and Family Services won the award. Posting will go out this week for new positions. Very Little will change per Dr. Mullen
- Nami has a children mental health event next Thursday- Flyers went out on the Newsletter.
- Nami will have a Hope on the Boardwalk Mental Health Awareness walk and celebration. Flyers also are on the newsletter.
- Rockford is hosting ethics training with Jim Elders October 11th there is a wait list.
- Seaford Night out is September 26th at the police department

Adjourn: 11:02

Upcoming Meetings:

Next BHTG Meeting: Friday, October 18, 2019 from 9:30am to 11:00am at Adams State Service Center

Next Quarterly Meeting: Thursday, October 17, 2019 - Cheer Center, Georgetown DE – 9:00am to 11:30am – All attendees are asked to wear purple.

Chris Herren Community Event – “Prevention Begins with All” - October 9, 2019 at Delaware State University at the MLK Student Center, 2nd Floor. Doors open at 6:00pm and program begins promptly at 7:00PM. All attendees need to register and are asked to wear purple.