

  
**SUSSEX**  
**COUNTY HEALTH COALITION**  
Youth Engagement and Serving Organization (YESO)  
Committee Meeting Minutes  
December 9, 2020  
9:00 am to 10:15 am  
Zoom – Virtual Meeting

*Mission: The YESO Committee exists to positively impact and promote healthy outcomes for children/families through collaboration with key health community partners that empowers families to live healthy lifestyles.*

**YESO Committee Chair: Lindsay Hughes**

**Co-Chair: Matt Coyle**

**YESO Dashboard:**

1. Increased Graduation Rate
2. Increased Prevention Activities and Program Capacity for Middle School Students
3. Decreased High Risk Behaviors

**IMPACT** - Increased assets for youth between the ages of 12 -18, leading to less risky behaviors and increased college and career readiness.

**31 Attendees    0 new attendees**

**Call to Order & Introductions**

**Action Items**

- Dorothy and Maleka to connect about mentors for DAPI program (done)
- Add Karen Johnston to next month's agenda (done)
- Connect Lee Ann Gunning to Children's Beach House (done)
- DAPI to provide committee with data around teen pregnancy rates and other related data within the past 5 years (in-process)

Minutes: Approved unanimously by Janet Ray and a second by Kerri Stitsworth

**Guest Speakers**

Maleka Pettyjohn

Adolescent Parenting Connection (APCO) an outreach program of DAPI

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- Mission: The Delaware Adolescent Program, Inc. (DAPI) provides a standards-based education for pregnant and parenting teens with unique outreach, mentoring, and supportive services promoting empowerment and self-sufficiency.
- Vision: To empower pregnant and parenting teens to achieve their dreams for themselves and their children.
- APCO is an extension of outreach services provided by DAPI to at-risk youth, pregnant, or parenting students. It is preparation for college/career services, housing education, financial literacy, sexual values, and other related topics.
- Offer cultural sensitivity in interactions, welcome young women and men into groups, real life discussions with materials, participants are guaranteed a "no judgement zone" experience.
- APCO utilizes a 13 week evidence based curriculum to help students (12-24 years of age) make wise relationship decisions and sexual choices including topics such as self-awareness and self-care, forming and maintaining healthy relationships, toxic/adverse stress, recognizing unhealthy relationships and responding to dangerous ones, etc.

**New Business**

- SCHC will have training for Mini Grant
- Mental health discussion around youth needs



- Keep this at the forefront of our committee and invite partners to present on resources and programs available.

**Partner Updates**

- Lee Ann Harden: Courageous Hearts: Offering two programs for youth with availability. Thrive program: providing counseling for uninsured or high copay students; group, individual or equine counseling. Skills to Pay the Bills program: caters to IEP and autism spectrum students
- Matt Coyle: American Lung Association- Event that sends free gingerbread kits to your house, a zoom link will be provided to virtually build gingerbread houses. This is a free event, 32 children are currently registered and there is no cap on registration.
- CIA is offering Christmas photos with Santa on December 19<sup>th</sup> including a free photo shoot, Christmas dinner, hot chocolate, and stuffed stockings
- IMPACT has been doing virtual groups for Man Up and Unique for the month of November and December for middle school age children and will begin again in January.
- Mary Johnson: provides training for DAPI in Sussex, will do contact tracing assistance and developing a PPT presentation on the COVID-19 vaccine to present to these communities.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.**

**Attendee Matrix**

1.	Crystal Timmons-Bryant	SCHC	
2.	Emma Braun	SCHC	
3.	Kathryn Burritt	SCHC	
4.	Peggy Geisler	SCHC	
5.	Janet Ray	DCGP	
6.	Tina Andrews	PIC	
7.	Judy McCormick	DCGP	
8.	Kateri Fountain		
9.	Matt Coyle	American Lung Association	
10.	Karen Johnston	U of D Cooperative Extension	
11.	Lindsay Hughes	University of Delaware/4-H	
12.	Dawn Paramore	LPCMH, CAADC - Prevention Behavioral Health - Systems of Care	
13.	Ishan Berry	CFE	
14.	Quiana Dorn	Dover Behavioral	
15.	Barbara Antlitz	CAMP Rehoboth	
16.	Michelle Mullen		
17.	Nikki Mowbray	Multiplying Good	


  
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18.	Karen Mann	FSCAA	
19.	Bonnizu Sharon		
20.	Kim Wright	DAPI	
21.	Kerri Stitsworth	Theraplay	
22.	Shannon Drekka	Wrap Around	
23.	Lee Ann Gunning	Del Tech GED Program	
24.	Maleka Pettyjohn		
25.	Lee Ann Harden	Courageous Hearts	
26.	Thomas Harris	Juvenile probation and parole	
27.	Mary Johnson	DPH	
28.	Lynne Betts	Seaford	
29.	Davida Johnson		
30.	Natasha Mullen	IMPACT Delaware	
31.	Dorothy Dillard	DSU	