

# Family and Community Readiness Committee Meeting Behavioral Health Consortium

 Date:
 8/12/24
 Location:
 Virtual Meeting

 Time:
 9:00am-10:00am
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Attendees: Chair Wade Jones, Liz Booth, Karen Records, Alyssa Selimov, Tynietta Congo-Wright, Bria Greenlee, Megan

McNamara Williams, Jenn Ford, Wes Ingram

Staff: Laura Rapp, Cathy Bedenbaugh, Riley Feinour

# **Topics 1: Welcome and Introductions**

#### Presenter - Chair Wade Jones

- Chair Wade Jones called the meeting to order.
- Chair Wade Jones greeted and welcomed attendees.

### **Topic 2: Review and Approve Minutes**

**MOTION:** Chair Wade Jones called for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meetings.

- Liz Booth motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meetings.
- Karen Records seconded the motion.
- Minutes approved.

### **Topic 3: BHC Updates**

### Presenters – Laura Rapp

- The BHC was present at the Unity Dinners in partnership with Black Faces Black Voices on June 24th and June 25<sup>th</sup> as well as July 24<sup>th</sup> and July 25<sup>th</sup>.
- The BHC is now present on social media to provide information and updates.
- DSAMH is hosting a 2-day conference for the Health Equity Advancement Project Initiative (HEAP). The conference is September 11<sup>th</sup> and September 12<sup>th</sup>, at the DoubleTree Hotel in Wilmington and registration information is to follow.
- There is a summit on the opioid epidemic that is sponsored by the BHC and the University of Delaware on September 12<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-5:30 PM.
- A faith-based Toolkit is available through Help is Here Delaware.
- The Changing Perceptions and Stigma Committee has a goal to assess if members with lived experiences are represented at the BHC. A short survey is available via email.
- Listening session participants expressed a willingness to help others, but the need to do so safely and effectively. This includes...
  - o Coaching about how to approach people who may have active SUD.
  - o The ability to offer condoms.
  - o Knowledge of resources like Teen Impact, Bridge Clinics, wound specialists, etc.
  - o Narcan training.

• The next BHC Quarterly Meeting is on October 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am-12:00pm. It is a hybrid meeting, and the in-person location is to be announced.

## **Topic 4: Goal 1: PAD Implementation**

- The committee went through a list of partners, groups, and communities who we should provide PAD related information.
- Some of these partners, groups, and communities included, mental health providers, universities, and colleges, ODS and other volunteer legal aid, La Red Center, Beautiful Gate Outreach and Delaware Division of Libraries.

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## **Topic 5: Public Comment**

Tynietta Congo-Wright discussed her nonprofit organization that she started in honor of her son who she lost to gun violence. The organization is called Jameil Aikeem Congo Cares. The link to the website of the organization is attached below.

https://www.jaccares.org/

The next Family and Community Readiness Committee Meeting is Monday, September 9th, 2024, at 9:00 am

Adjourn: 9:37 am