

# MINUTES

## Opioid Advisory Group Meeting

**Boulder Clerk and Records Office**  
**Thursday, March 15, 2017**

**Attendees:**

Name	Agency
<b>Safety (Law enforcement, fire, jail etc.)</b>	
Tylynn Leonard	20 <sup>th</sup> District Court Probation Office
Christina Orlowski	Adult Integrated Treatment Courts
Curt Johnson	Boulder Police Department
Carol Helwig	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH)
Melanie Dreiling	Boulder County Sheriff's Office – Jail (BCSO)
Scot Williams	Boulder County Sheriff's Office (BCSO/BCDTF)
Brian Ball	Community Justice Service
Marco Prospero	Community Justice Service
Randy Repola	CU Police Department
Ken Kupfner	District Attorney's Office
Elaina Shively	District Attorney's Office
Jeff Satur	Longmont Police Department
<b>Clinical</b>	
Rob Valuck	Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse
Kira Gressman	American Medical Response (AMR)/ Boulder County Public Health (BCPH)
Marianne Martinez	St. Vrain Valley School District (SVVSD)
<b>Treatment</b>	
Karen Elias	Alkermes plc
Paul Egan	Behavioral Health Group (BHG)
Ana Swoboda	Behavioral Health Group (BHG)
Michele Ryan	Behavioral Health Group (BHG)
Christine O'Neil	Mental Health Partners (MHP)
Craig Fiorini	Mental Health Partners (MHP)
Corey Candelaria	Options Treatment
<b>Prevention</b>	
Lee Scriggins	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH) – Community Substance Abuse Prevention
Marnie Copeland	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH) – Healthy Futures Coalition
Talia Brown	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH) - Biostatistician
Kathryn Dailey	CU Health Promotion
Jessica Doty	CU Student Conduct
Jennifer McDuffie	CU Dean of Students
Colt Smith	iThrive/Alternatives for Youth

Kaleigh Becker	Broomfield Public Health
Marianne Martinez	St. Vrain Valley School District (SVVSD)
Rebecca Millett	St. Vrain Valley School District (SVVSD)
<b>Community</b>	
Danielle Gauna	Volunteer at Harm Reduction Center/ MHP
Kristen Dailey	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH) intern
Paul Egan	Behavioral Health Group (BHG)
Lauren Marek	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH)
Clara Geoghegan	CU student
<b>Backbone Support</b>	
Indira Gujral	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH)
Jamie Feld	Boulder County Public Health (BCPH)
Joe Webber	CIVIC Canopy

### Upcoming Meetings:

- Wednesday, April 12, 2-3:30pm – Boulder County Justice Center Jury Assembly Room
- Wednesday, May 17, 2-3:30pm – Boulder County Justice Center, Jury Assembly Room (Opioid Leadership Summit)
- Wednesday, June 21, 2:00-3:30pm- - Boulder Clerk and Recorder, 1750 33rd St., Houston Room
- Possible late May meeting to debrief Opioid Leadership Summit?

### Opioid Advisory Group Session 9:30-11:00

#### Updates:

- If any agency is interested in having an AmeriCorps volunteer to support opioid prevention related activities, please see the attached informational flyer
- Melanie Dreiling: Attempt to start giving vivitrol from the jail on a case by case basis. For individuals that need support as they leave the jail. Provider following up on Medicaid coverage.
- Treatment court: Medication assisted treatment to treatment court clients for the first time in 8 years.
- Christine Orlowski: Leading a panel discussion that doctors and agencies will be on so judges can hear more information (April). Trying to identify eligible clients.
- Rob Valuck: Legislative: Bill for MAT pilot in Pueblo and Routt County. Funding expansion of MAT provider training to NP and PA. School of nursing is coordinating project and will help them get that training. Expanding availability of treatment.
- LEAD program going to budget committee on March 20. Would fund 4 communities to establish LEAD (Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion program) with marijuana tax funds?
- Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) enhancements: Doctors and pharmacies can look at data on an ongoing basis. Interstate data sharing, so collaboration between different counties. Minimize border crossing. Hurting animals in order to get a hold of opioids, can search PDMP for owner and animal.
- Paul Egan: Reached out to Stories on Stage, collecting stories from the community to be told on a larger venue. Presented at a public library or other venue. Still in progress. Would need to fundraise to make a possibility.

### **Importance of listening session with the Colorado Attorney General**

- State meth task force was rebranded to substance use task force
- Since that time, the Attorney General has prioritized the opioid epidemic and helped establish the Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse.
- The Attorney General has initiated legislative efforts and funding opportunities. Most recently 120 carrying naloxone through the Attorney General's Naloxone for Life Program.
- Make recommendations to state legislature to advocate for resources needed.
- The goal is finding areas of commonality that everyone can agree on.

### **Opioid Leadership Summit:**

- Seeking potential speakers
- Please reach out to your agency representatives to see if they would be interested in attending
- Share email flyer
- Considerations to have local political representatives attend?
- Consideration for press release?

### **Seeking group of volunteers to review communication materials:**

- Elena (DA's office) can find someone to help with design
- Kristen Daly for editing
- Kira Gressman
- Any other volunteers?

### **Additional Members to Invite:**

- Attention Homes
- Phoenix Multi-sport
- VA
- Medicaid BHO Representative
- Advocates for Recovery
- Veterans Helping Veterans Now
- **Anyone have these emails or contacts for us to add??** Please email to [jfeld@bouldercounty.org](mailto:jfeld@bouldercounty.org). If anyone is not receiving these emails that should, please let us know as well. Thank you!

## **9:00-9:30am Pre-Meeting on Alternatives to Incarceration Opportunity**

- BJA (Bureau of Justice Assistance)
- Federal funding source
- Alternatives to incarceration projects
- Geared towards local jurisdictions
- Period of 36 months \$400,000 for planning and preparation.
- Due April 25<sup>th</sup>

### **District Attorney's Office:**

- Primary goal is to identify existing infrastructure in order to find current areas of need. What types of funds will be needed i.e. building programs or hiring staff.
- Discussion on what first priorities would be in terms of planning spending and budgeting. Plan is to target full grant amount, but specify how this money would be spent.
- Identifying project directors and who would best fit this role.
- Would it make sense for diversion to include possession charges, what do we have in terms of infrastructure already? What other partners should we include in this process?
- Built in implementation pre-planning times, allows stake holders meetings, potentially a workgroup.
- Is diversion the most appropriate place for this to happen?
- Law enforcement type of diversion.
- District Attorney does support this grant and how it can change the way of doing business in terms of how cases are processed.

### **Public Health:**

- Leading coordination of stakeholders and organize smaller meetings to see what other agencies have to offer. What do we have in the community and what do we need to build?
- Supports supply of data and organizing the coalition.
- Allowing a project coordinator and planning phase to organize and pull entire project together.
- Public health would coordinate stakeholders, not the recipient of the funds.
- Even if funds are not successful, sets up groups for alternative sources of funding.

### **CDPHE and the Colorado Consortium:**

Rob Valuck has applied for grant previously and received funding.

- Can help navigate this process
- Research grant for PDMP data enhancement to restructure data from emergency rooms.
- Better data linkage
- Looking for applications from states, trying to expand the categories, Colorado has not done category 3.
- Department of public safety and OBH are also applying for a different category.
- No other local agencies applying to category 3.

**Next Steps to discuss opportunity regarding alternatives to incarceration:**

- Public Health can support writing and helping conceptualize the project.
- Potentially another meeting on conceptualizing and what steps are needed going forward.
- What does the system of diversion look like? Grant can help to build what that system looks like.
- Brian Ball able to help coordinate with jail and probation. Marco runs diversion program and can support in this process.
- Anyone have a dedicated grant writer?
- Public Health asks for letters of support, memorandums of agreement.