Boulder County Substance Use Advisory Group Meeting

Wednesday, May 15th, 2019
9:30-11:30 am
Norton Rooms, 1333 Iris Ave

Meeting Goals
- Support each other and network
- Learn about law enforcement and criminal justice diversion efforts
- Expand knowledge surrounding SUD supports/MAT expansion in the county jail

9:30 Welcome and Introductions

9:45 Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice’s New Approaches to Diversion
Overview of projected work of the LEAD Task Force
Elaina Shively, Office of the District Attorney
Ken Kupfner, Assistant District Attorney

- The Diversion work group, a group comprised to law enforcement and criminal justice SUAG members, has now become the LEAD Task Force
  - Diversion work group tasked by county chiefs to develop a plan for implementation of a diversion/co-responder model county-wide
- LEAD Task Force has support from every chief throughout the county
  - The task force has representation from each law enforcement branch throughout the county
- The community is on board; there is a want for this program to be set up
  - Full support and representation to implement this plan county-wide
- Diversion recommendations to come out of OMNI’s Objective 1 for the RFP: LEAD, CORE, and other model feasibility assessment
  - Fiscal resources/costs, staffing, infrastructure and community partnerships
  - Challenges and barriers
  - Key indicators to assess ongoing impact
- Once Objective 1 is completed, will move to integrating Objective 4, Coordinated referral system feasibility assessment
- The task force will be pulling from Longmont’s LEAD model, as well as examining other models researched and reported on by OMNI, to develop what they feel is the most efficient, sustainable model to implement across Boulder County

Updates on MAT Developments in the County Jail
Melanie Dreiling, Health Services Administrator

- The Boulder County Jail has developed their Medically Assisted Treatment (MAT) program more substantially
  - Previously every individual was withdrawn upon entering jail
  - The current program operates in two phases:
    - Phase 1- Identify inmates with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD), start monitoring withdrawals, and start each inmate identified on buprenorphine
i. Comprehensive assessment of each individual’s drug use; what their needs were in the past

Phase 2 - Start on MAT

ii. One on one therapy and classes while on MAT

  ▪ If an individual is non-eligible for treatment, they will be withdrawn on buprenorphine
  ▪ A brochure of treatment resources is given to each inmate
  ▪ Evaluation upon discharge: does individual have medical coverage/Medicaid, warm hand-offs to treatment facilities, housing, availability of prescribers in area

- Since February 2018, 540 inmates identified with OUD have successfully completed the program
  ▪ On average, 30-35 inmates per day identified that could be eligible for the program
  ▪ 5-10% yearly inmate population have the possibility of being initiated on this program

10:15 Legislative Update
(State Representative Jonathan Singer)
- SB228 Prevention
- SB227 Harm Reduction
- HB1287 Treatment
- SB008 Criminal Justice
- HB1009 Recovery
- SB079 Electronic Prescribing
- SB001 Expand MAT Pilot

Review of each of the bills listed above which passed in this year’s legislative session.

10:30 Share-out on National Rx Drug Abuse and Heroin Summit
- Attendees each shared highlights or key take-aways from their experience at the Summit
  ▪ Presentations from Summit sessions can be found on the website, rx-summit.com
  ▪ One insight that the group reflected on: other states are using peer support specialists to full capacity, in many facets of SUD work
  ▪ A topic to discuss at a future meeting should be figuring out ways to promote peer specialists in professional environments
  ▪ Many group members are hoping to brainstorm ways in which each of us as partners can work to incorporate peer support specialists at each of our agencies

10:40 Break
Take this opportunity to connect with someone you haven’t met yet!

10:45 Illuminate Colorado Overview
(State Representative Jonathan Singer)
- First group being held at Sister Carmen in Lafayette
- Children’s Circle
- Circle of Parents Colorado Chapter [www.circleofparentsco.org](http://www.circleofparentsco.org), for families impacted by substance use
  - Group facilitator and parent leader to facilitate the support groups
  - Builds protective factors to promote healthy and safe families
  - Utilizes the mutual self-help support model
  - Groups typically meet once a week, at no cost to participants
- Coalition support funding
  - Looking to hire a part-time site lead position (3-6 hours per week) to really coordinate children and parent involvement
- Contact Hattie, hlandry@illuminatecolorado.org for more information or to get involved

10:50 Announcements

**Innovation Summit on Opioid Response in the Healthcare Setting**
June 3rd, 12:30-5 pm Houston Room, Boulder County Clerk and Recorder’s Office

**Overdose Awareness Day**
How would we like to participate?
Volunteers for brainstorming session

**Other Partner Announcements**
- Overdose Awareness Day Event August 28th
  - Partnership between Tri-County Health Dept and Centura Health; look out for advertisements as the date nears
- Beth Braig, Walgreens pharmacist Elizabeth.Braig@walgreens.com
  - Walgreens is able to ship naloxone overnight to any individual who requests this service
  - Requires name, date of birth, and Medicaid card info
- Longmont Public Safety
  - Another job opening for a peer case manager, look out for job posting
  - Really value lived experience on case management teams
  - Added two additional case managers who will be helping with Angel Initiative
  - PAARI selected Longmont Public Safety as a site for VISTA pilot program development
  - Longmont applied to be a co-responder model site, waiting to hear back on selection
- Behavioral Health Group
  - Opened EOP extensive and IOP intensive (program accepts individuals for any Substance use disorder)
    - These programs are currently operating just at the Longmont facility
    - Medicaid used as payment (6 vs 9 hours)

11:30 Optional Networking Time

**Next Meeting:** presentations about warm hand-offs, emergency department inductions