

Substance Use Disorder/ Mental Health Committee
March 16, 2017
Minutes

Facilitated by: Cindy Haynes & Wanda Boone

Present: Danita King, Bushra Omair, Kendra Rosa, Bob Thomas, Nancy Kneepkens, Jennifer Meade, Scott Proeschelldbell, Armenous Dobson, Karen Verhaeghe, Cassie Hamrick, Jason Ferrell, Cindy Haynes			
Agenda Items	Major Discussion Points	Recommendations	Action steps and responsible persons
Introductions and review of minutes			
Kay Sanford, MSPH Retired Epidemiologist, Consultant Project Lazarus Model UNC Injury Prevention Research Center NC Harm Reduction Coalition	Speaker Kay Sanford provided information regarding overdose prevention in Durham. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that overdoses seen are primarily prescription drugs and some illicit drugs with growing evidence that there more people who are dying from overdose have a combination of drugs in their system. Education efforts are needed in this area of accidental overdose due to combination of drugs. • Recommended using Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and Emergency Room data to more frequently review for trends so we can stay in front of issues. • Extremely concerned with lack of treatment options for ex-offenders upon release. • Discussed the NC Safer Syringe Initiative, the syringe exchange program that is offered via mobile unit and at a walk-in facility in Durham. Pointed out that since the Orange County Health Department now has its own syringe exchange program, Durham County can do it too. • Recommended that groups who promote sexual health have not just male condoms but also female condoms and dental dams. • The NC Harm Reduction Coalition is collecting used liquid laundry detergent containers to act as receptacles for used syringes. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kay is willing to come back to offer Rescue Breathing Training. 		
Announcements	<p>The Overdose Summit is taking place in Raleigh on June 27th and 28. Registration is filling quickly.</p> <p>March 25 is Pill Takeback Day.</p> <p>Durham TRY is hosting its annual prevention summit on Friday, April 21.</p>		
Meeting Adjourn			
Thursday, April 20, 2017; 3:00 - 4:30 pm			