



Behavioral Health Consortium

Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 23rd, 2018

10:30AM-12:00PM

Milford Public Library

I. Call to order

Lt. Governor Hall-Long called to order the 4th regular meeting of the Behavioral Health Consortium at 10:35 AM at the Milford Public Library.

II. Roll call

Lt. Governor Hall-Long conducted the roll call. The following Consortium members were present: Mr. Jim Martin; Mr. David Humes; Dr. Emily Hauenstein; Ms. Carolyn Petrak; Dr. Avani Virani; Dr. James Ellison; Ms. Susan Cycyk; Dr. Karyl Rattay; Ms. Elizabeth Romero; Dr. Sandy Gibney; Dr. Joshua Thomas; Dr. Michele Marinucci; Mr. Matthew Swanson; Ms. Cheryl Doucette; Ms. Emily Vera; Alexa Scoglietti (proxy)

Members absent: Ms. Becky King; Ms. Tamera Fair; Mr. Michael Bryson; Mr. Wayne Kline; Dr. Terry Horton; Senator Bryan Townsend

III. Story of Recovery

Larry Kirksey, 56 year old veteran who is in active recovery shared his history and the impact addiction has had on him.

IV. Pew Research Introduction

Abby Walsh, of the Pew Charitable Trust, addressed the Consortium and indicated that the State of Delaware is in the final running to receive technical assistance from the organization. The Pew Charitable Trust is completing work with both the States of Indiana and Wisconsin and are currently looking to select another round of states to provide guidance.

V. Concept Mapping Update

The Lt. Governor provided a brief update on the community forums, which were held statewide at four different locations. The Lt. Governor indicated that Concept Solutions, Inc. will be providing their final report in the coming weeks and will influence the drafting of the first Consortium's report.

VI. Final Report Deadline

The Lt. Governor informed both the Consortium and the general public to break into four small groups to discuss what they, as a group, feel needs to be included in the Consortium first report. The groups meet for roughly 20 minutes to brainstorm on items and reported out to the group. The Lt. Governor informed the Consortium that their feedback would help generate the first report.

VII. Legislative Update

Director Elizabeth Romero provided a brief update on potential legislation including Centers of Excellence and the Overdose System of Care. Mr. Tanner Polce provided a brief update on legislation that would ban Powdered Alcohol.

Public Comment

Members of the public provided comment and brought forth any issues they felt needed immediate attention.