

Attendees: Leanna Morgan, Darlene Smith, Summer Phillips, Christine Pierce, Kaycie Sanders, Wendy Lambert, Tiffany Murdock, Amber Clark, Julie Pohlman, Kelsey Anderson, Kristin Davis, Jason Pantier, Amina Feder.

Guest Speaker(s): N/A

Minutes

Introductions

- Leanna Morgan, ROSC Coordinator
- Darlene Smith, Douglas County Recovery Navigator
- Summer Phillips, DCHD Health Educator and Outreach Coordinator
- Christine Pierce, Carle Addiction Recovery Center
- Kaycie Sanders, Dial-A-Ride Administrative Director
- Wendy Lambert, Vermillion County ROSC Coordinator, PLE
- Tiffany Murdock, Hour House Prevention
- Amber Clark, Community Engagement and Partnership Coordinator, Iliana VA Health Care System
- Julie Pohlman, Statewide ROSC Region 4 TA
- Kelsey Anderson, Bright Point Healthy Families Home Visiting Program
- Kristin Davis, Family Guidance Center, Region 4 Substance Use Prevention Integration Coordinator
- Jason Pantier, Douglas County Probation
- Amina Feder, Outpatient Therapist, RISE Behavioral Health and Wellness

Organization Spotlight/ Guest(s)

There was no guest speaker scheduled for November to ensure extra time for discussion of deliverables.

Recovery Navigator update

Darlene Smith, Douglas County Recovery Navigator, provided an update.

- The community education groups have not had great attendance so Darlene is looking at making some changes.

- An update was provided on the education with the individuals in jail and those that have been in treatment.
- Darlene mentioned that ROSC will have a coat drive in December with current drop off sites of the Sheriff's Office and Tuscola United Methodist. Leanna mentioned that a flyer is in process and will be shared soon. Additional drop off locations would be helpful, as well as boxes.
- Dates were provided for upcoming Wellness Groups in December at the libraries in Atwood and Villa Grove.

East Central IL Deflection Initiative

A brief update was provided on the East Central Illinois Deflection Initiative.

- The next implementation planning meeting has been scheduled for December 8th at 1:00 pm until 5:00 pm.
- This meeting will be held in a hybrid format. The in-person meeting will be held at 513 N 13th Street, Mattoon.
- For anyone who would like additional information or to RSVP, please reach out to Koren VanderWeele at kvanderweele@tasc.org

Grant Deliverables

Community Outreach Plan- The council discussed the Outreach goals by communication method that upon review need attention or updates have been made for the current fiscal year.

- Council newsletter: Encouraging testimonies from persons with lived experience and their families. Leanna has also been sharing council events and resources, as well as those of partner agencies. Please send Leanna any ideas or content to add in the newsletter.
- Social media: Leanna mentioned that ROSC currently posts on the East Central IL ROSC Facebook page and Douglas County Newsfeed. Please let Leanna know if there are other Facebook pages she should share information with. It was also noted that DCHD has been great about sharing ROSC information! It is also encouraged to share on additional platforms.
- Word of mouth: Darlene and Leanna were recently at a community event sitting to the side, and heard Summer speak about Narcan. Summer did a wonderful job of mentioning ROSC and inviting individuals to come to the council meetings.
- Billboard: The current anti-stigma billboard is on Rt. 36 between Tuscola and Atwood. It has been mentioned in prior council meetings that the location is not ideal, but the efforts to move it have been unsuccessful.
- GSU website: Leanna reminded everyone that the GSU website link is located at the bottom of the agenda and that all council documents are located on the site.

- Resource Bags: The council has a goal of 600 resource bags for the year. So far there have been 215 bags distributed, with 385 remaining. Several ideas were brainstormed for obtaining supplies for both adult and youth resource items.
- Harm reduction kits: Summer mentioned that she has been receiving requests for Fentanyl testing kits and will soon run out. Leanna will be bringing Summer the supplies that are remaining at her office. Leanna and Summer have a meeting scheduled in about 2 weeks and will collaborate to obtain supplies.

Strategic Plan Presentations- It was mentioned that a new requirement is for strategic plan presentations. It was determined that the most effective presentations would be to the following stakeholders to increase awareness of the concept and mission of ROSC, encourage engagement and increase the supportive efforts.

- Persons with lived experience (PLEs)
- Law Enforcement
- Healthcare
- Judicial
- Youth Organizations

The council held general discussion on ideas of groups to reach out to for presentations.

Communication Plan- The council discussed the communication goals by audience sectors that upon review need attention or updates have been made for the current fiscal year.

- Persons with lived experience (PLEs): Encouraging PLE to share their stories of recovery to help reduce stigma. Darlene and Leanna are actively meeting with individuals outside of council meetings. It was encouraged to continue to invite individuals to the meetings.
- Recovery Supports: Darlene and Leanna have it on their to do list to circle back to the local recovery meetings and offer to give a short presentation on ROSC.
- Faith-based groups: Reach out to local groups to provide resources, share information about ROSC, and request a day of prayer.
- Family, Parents: Connecting with family organizations and distribute information. Connect with universities and trainers to provide educational trainings. Leanna asked council for input on what types of trainings they would like offered. General discussion was held. Leanna and Darlene have a few meetings set up to see what is currently available for the Spring.
- Substance use treatment organizations: It was mentioned in prior meetings to offer a panel. If this is something that is still of interest, when and how would we like to do this? There was general discussion that this could be offered during the presentation to law enforcement to see what would be beneficial to their meeting.
- Healthcare: Provide ROSC presentation to Healthcare. Summer mentioned that the Health Dept has staff meetings. Leanna will connect with Summer on this after the first of the year.

- Judicial: Providing education of drug court has been part of the community resource subcommittee. Leanna and Darlene had met with the new State's Attorney about resuming the subcommittee meeting once he is settled in.
- Education, Schools: It was mentioned that the Douglas, Moultrie and Piatt County ROSC are collaborating to plan a Health Hobby Fair in Arthur area. This will be a family friendly event.
- Media: It was mentioned that Dominik Stallings has been very active with attending ROSC meetings and events. He has also added information about upcoming events and has wrote several articles in the newspaper.
- Business: Leanna mentioned that she is wanting to add in positive language trainings for businesses. Darlene included this in a Narcan training for the staff at HOPE and it went really well. Summer also provides Narcan training to local businesses, as well as Shalynn's Hope, Inc.

Other Business and agency updates

The Arthur Library has requested a Narcan Training for their adult programming on December 2nd at 1:00 pm. Darlene and Leanna will be providing the training.

- Flyer shared in newsletter
- Call library to reserve a spot

Kelsey Anderson mentioned that Bright Point is currently doing a needs assessment to determine if they can assist in Douglas County. She has already communicated with Partnership in Parenting to see where the boundaries lay currently.

Christine Pierce spoke about the new style to the Narcan packaging. She also said they are getting calls in regards to MAR. Connections were provided to Christine: Douglas County Health Dept and SIHF (Arthur) are both currently offering MAR.

Next meeting: December 27th, 2023 at 10:00am, Zoom only due to the holidays.