SI SUPRT Meeting Minutes September 4, 2024 at 12:00 In person/Zoom

In Person:

Danielle Camp, EHD

Hannah Jude, EHD

Chris Dennis, EHD

Kiesha Fromm, EHD

Kindra York, EHD

Drew Donelson, EHD

Theresa Oxford, EHD

Jerrie Baxley-Brown, EHD

Holly Kotner, EHD

Stacey Miller, EHD

Jamal Oxford, EHD

Amy Oxford, Senator Fowlers Office

Jordan Pilkington, EHD

Andy Greer, Gateway Foundation

Misty Smith, EHD

Misty Eftink, EHD

Vincent Falzone, ISP Drug Task Force

Brittany Bulfer, EHD

Faith Cluster, TASC

Kat Southard, EHD

Matt Shaffer, EHD

Tamara Kang, SIU

Katie Unthank, EHD

Via Zoom:

Aaron Seibert, Centerstone

Jennifer Owen, Saline County Outreach

Krissy Hannel, Addiction Solutions

Charly Gordon, EHD

Madison Reed, EHD

Johanna Gonzalez, SUPR

Bev Holland, Region 5

Hailey Parker, EHD

Elizabeth Cook, EHD Mike Tyson, TAT Julie Pohlman, Region 4 Kimberly Scott-Pilkington, EHD

Standing Coalition Business:

• Minutes from the August meeting were approved unanimously with a motion made by Holly Kotner. Stacey Miller seconded the motion.

New and Standing Coalition Reports:

- Jennifer Owen (Saline County Outreach) announced two upcoming events to be held for recovery month. "Glow for Recovery" will be held on September 7th and there will be food provided while testimonies are given. Additionally, a new event, "Ride for Recovery" is scheduled for September 28th. There will be food provided and giveaways for those in attendance. Flyers will be shared with the council.
- Krissy Hannel (Addiction Solutions) informed the council on the opening of a men's
 home in Lawrenceville. She is hoping to become more involved in Illinois as housing for
 men and women has been well established in Indiana. They are currently focusing on
 staffing for this location. She also made herself available for questions from council
 members.
- Chris Dennis (Egyptian Health Department) reported a great turn out at the Overdose Awareness Day event held on August 28th at the iHub. There were 56 people in attendance where a panel of speakers addressed the subject of overdose prevention, and also answered a number of questions from attendees.
- The recently developed New Member Welcome packet was discussed at length. The purpose of the packet is to introduce the functions and goals of the council. It was agreed that some of the original verbiage be revised, a list of the council's past activities should be added, and a QR code will be produced to provide a link to the SI SUPRT facebook page. Once the packet is completed, it will be distributed to council members.
- Mike Tyson (Take Action Today) discussed an upcoming recovery event to be held on September 13th in Carbondale. The Family Fall Fun Fair will include a dunking booth, a vendor fair, food and a DJ. He added that 30 people from the community will be attending the National Recovery Rally in Chicago on Sept. 20th and 21st. Additionally, Carmi will be hosting "Set Free Recover Fest" on October 6th and Johnson City is hosting a resource event with speakers, a meal and hygiene kits on October 19th.
- Kindra York (Egyptian Health Department) added that, on September 26th a Recovery Walk will be held in McLeansboro where attendees will walk around the square and attend a recovery meeting. Pizza will be provided, as well.
- Aaron Seibert (Centerstone) shared an event to be held on September 7th, in Marion. This will be a "Life Story" 5K walk/run for suicide awareness.

- Holly Kotner (Egyptian Health Department) added that flameless candles are to be placed in windows on September 10th for Suicide Prevention.
- Drew Donelson (Egyptian Health Department) reported that 711 Narcan kits were distributed at the state fair, along with 400 fentanyl test strips. She added that many success stories were shared with the staff from people attending the fair.
- Tamara Kang (SIU) asked the council to inform her if anything should be added to the welcome packet. She had sent out a survey for feedback, but had no response. She will continue to edit the packet with any suggestions from the council.

Motion was made by Kindra York to adjourn this meeting, with Jerrie Baxley-Brown seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting is set for Wednesday, October 2nd at noon via Zoom.