Montgomery County Opiate Task Force
August 27, 2013
2:00 – 3:30 PM

Present:
Amy Wendell, CareSource
Terri Meyer, State Medical Board
Monica Sutter Premier Health Network
Tim Lane, WSU/CITAR
Andrea Hoff, ADAMHS
Lynn Voisard, ADAMHS
Marty Larson, GDAHA
Robert Carlson, WSU/CITAR
Dwight Richards, Project CURE
Dennis Mann, Miami Valley Hospital
Jeffrey Lewis, Cedarville University
Rick Buenaventura, Pain Relief of Dayton
Lt. Joe Wiessman, Dayton Police Department
William Roberts, CADAS/Public Health
Jason Picket, Miami Valley Hospital
Jim Gross, Public Health
Gary Leroy, Wright State University
Helen Jones-Kelley, ADAMHS Board
Andrew Sokolnicki, ADAMHS Board
Mark Orick, Dayton Police Department

WELCOME

Andrea Hoff, Director Community Engagement & Special Initiatives, welcomed everyone and self-introduction were made. It was announced that Russell Falck from Wright State University is retiring effective September 1st.

UPDATED WORK PLAN

A small portion of funding for this Task Force ($12,000) is received through the Ohio Association of Community Behavioral Health Authorities (OACBHA) which requires a work plan indicating task/activities, expected outcomes, details, timeline, and assistance required. A work group was assigned the task of updating the current work plan which included Tim Lane, Gary LeRoy, and Andrea Hoff.

Members of the Task Force were asked if we should retain Item #7: “Implementation of Good Samaritan Law.” Completion of this item requires assistance with state level advocacy and the timeframe is August 2013. Chief Biehl and the Dayton Police Department are following this Senate Bill and an officer has been assigned full-time to deal with street opiates. Questions asked included: Who is it that we need to target and what is the message? There was consensus that this item remain on the work plan and
Amy Wendell, CareSource, inquired if there is any anticipated outreach to health insurance plans. There might be potential for collaboration in putting information on their websites (i.e., overdose prevention door hangers). Amy will advocate for this at CareSource, but requires approval from ODJFS. Andrea Hoff will work with Amy on this issue.

INJURY PREVENTION UPDATES

Tim Lane and Robert Carlson provided updates:

Poison Death Review Data

- Total cases from January 1st to June 17, 2013 was 101. This data is provided by the Montgomery County Coroner’s Office and includes people who died from an overdose in Montgomery County, not where the person lived.
- All deaths are ruled accidental.
- Effects the 35-54 age group, although there has been a slight change in the younger groups over the past two years. Females represent only 34% of deaths. Over the last three years this is a slight surge.
- Veterans account for only 7% in Montgomery County. 12% of the adult population in the United States serves in the military.
- Demographics indicate that this population also has disability or health issues.
- 78% indicate a history of substance abuse.
- There is an increase in the number of decedents at home versus a hospital setting. Dr. Pickett shared that medics and first responders are working with individuals at the scene versus immediate transfer to a hospital. The outcomes are increased for staying on the scene.
  - Can we tell if an individual died with health expertise present or not present? From the report, the time of death and time of arrival of medical responders can be identified. Fire department records could be checked and all departments and municipalities keep that data.
  - Could the death have been prevented by Narcan distribution by a family member or friend? About 11% of the time it might have been preventable in 2010; in 2012 that estimate is 25%.
  - Do we know if decedents were recently released from jail or a treatment program? That information is not always shared or part of the report. CareSource does track some of this information. With the availability of electronic data this is an opportunity for the Task Force.
- Increase in the use of heroin. This mirrors data at the national level over the past 12-18 months. Street level heroin is cheap and widely available.
Accidental Drug Overdoses in 23 Ohio Counties: 2010-2012 – Director Orman Hall recently visited WSU/CITAR. Director Hall shared with the staff his concern about heroin use and accidental overdoses in Montgomery County and asked what can be done? WSU/CITAR has a contract to work with Montgomery County Coroner’s office in gathering data from the other 23 counties they are under contract. A review team will receive data electronically from the Coroner’s office, it will be analyzed and that information will be provided in a separate report to the Task Force by the end of the year. The report will cover 2012 and 2013.

UNINTENTIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG POISONING PROPOSAL – Tim Lane shared that Public Health-Dayton & Montgomery County is considering applying for a grant from the Ohio Department of Health to address Unintentional Prescription Drug Overdose in Montgomery County. The overall goal of ODH's grant program is to reduce unintentional injury and injury-related deaths through the development of comprehensive, multi-faceted, population-based programs that address risks associated with injury. The proposal would be directed toward the specific injury focus area of unintentional prescription drug poisoning. Currently, PH-D&MC contracts with CITAR at Wright State on a similar grant from ODH, which ends in December 2013. The new application would ask for money to expand current programs (for example, evaluating and expanding our Opiate Task Force) or to develop and implement new programs to address unintentional (accidental, as opposed to suicide or homicide) drug overdoses in Montgomery County. This application needs the support of the Opiate Task Force because it is the coalition through which such activities would be supported.

OVERDOSE POSTER DISTRIBUTION – With help from FCFC and ADAMHS, posters are being distributed throughout Montgomery County. If you know of any groups that would like to help distribute please provide WSU/CITAR with the contact information. ADAMHS is logging where posters are being distributed and the quantity.

OVERDOSE DOOR HANGERS – Everyone was provided samples for distribution. This door hanger is modeled after the overdose poster. If you need additional copies, please contact Andrea Hoff.

TIPSOFT/TIPSUBMIT MOBILE – Joe Wiessman, Dayton Police Department, shared that they are working with Crime Stoppers to piggyback on this product. Crime Stoppers is a program that is being paid for already and the Tip Soft Application is similar. Approval is required from Crime Stoppers. This will be piloted with the South Suburban AOD Coalition which includes Centerville, Oakwood, Kettering, Miamisburg, West Carrollton, Moraine, and Miamisburg because partnerships with the schools are already established. There may be additional costs if we include distributing posters with the scan symbol. There is not a time frame for completion of this activity.

PROJECT DAWN
- Andrea Hoff shared that there is an opportunity for funding through the Ohio Department of Health for $24,000 a year for three years that would help to
expand the Project DAWN program in Montgomery County. The proposal is due September 24th.

- New Suboxone and DAWN Contract – ADAMHS has contracted with SBHI to distribute 500 naloxone kits. The distribution is scheduled to begin in the fall and target those released from jails and residential treatment that are at higher risk for overdose. The Ohio Department of Health provided in-kind all of the non-prescription materials for the kits. Each kit will have two doses. The cost is $11 per dose and kits must be prescribed by a physician with a terminal distributor license.
- SBHI will provide Suboxone services for the non-Medicaid population by mid-September.
- SBHI has been awarded a contract to coordinate a planning process to open a new detox facility. ADAMHS’ timeframe for implementation is January 1st. The planning process will be multi-disciplinary to include hospitals, law enforcement, homeless and behavioral health providers. The Steering Committee will meet in October and November to establish protocol.

- Miami Valley Hospital Efforts
  - Dr. Mann shared that there is a meeting with ER staff and hospital leadership to look at funding options to be able to provide naloxone kits to patients that enter the ER because of an overdose.

**PRESCRIBER EDUCATION**

A training on proper opiate prescribing protocol is being pursued with Dr. Doug Teller from Kettering Health Network. Dr. Buenventura has agreed to co-present. What is the best way to do this to make it easily accessible to a high number of prescribers? It was discussed that Grand Rounds are sparsely attended, but symposiums are a good way to have greater attendance. Amy Wendell shared that CareSource has their university and works closely with different boards in providing continuing education. It was suggested to use a multi-pronged approach with social media and in-person training.

**Family Engagement Group Development**

ADAMHS continues to work on establishing a Family Engagement - or Solace – group, particularly in either Old North Dayton or East Dayton due to their high overdose numbers. There is a meeting scheduled to meet and discuss the development of this group. We will keep everyone updated.

**Open Forum**

Amy Wendell from CareSource shared they have been receiving complaints that Suboxone providers are billing clients cash regardless of whether or not they have insurance. Very few providers will see patients with CareSource, or bill CareSource, and therefore, they are looking for ways to provide incentive payments. Providers are also not following the low dose protocol.
Next Meeting Date: November 26, 2013
Possible meeting dates will be sent to the Task Force members in order to reschedule the November meeting since it falls the same week as Thanksgiving.

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