



Curry County
Office of Substance Abuse Prevention
STEP Coalition Meeting Minutes



Tuesday, October 9th, 2019

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Commission Chambers - Curry County Administration Complex

I. **In Attendance:**

Robert Soule	NMSP
Doria Rey	Curry County
Susan Alman	RSVP/FGP
Carissa Caroland	CMS Health Services
L. Keith	Mental Health Resources
Tanya Henderson	OSAP

II. Meeting called to order 12:06 p.m.

III. Introductions

IV. Approval of minutes:

1st – Carissa Caroland and **2nd – Doria Rey** moved to approve the minutes of September 10th, 2019.

V. OSAP Program Manager’s summary of events:

1) On 9/12/2019, **Henderson** traveled to Albuquerque for the State Fair. This was for the celebration of Counties Day. 250 A Dose of Rxeality stickers were given out to the public as promotional items.

2) On Saturday, 9/14/2019, **Henderson** signed up as a vendor for the Lady of Guadalupe Celebration. Attendance was slow since vendors were set up behind the food vendors, and it was difficult to find vendors.

3) On 9/21/2019, **Henderson** was asked to speak at the Retired Senior Volunteer Program/Foster Grandparent Program (RSVP/FGP) about the opioid prevention. There was a total of 32 people who attended. Each participant received information on safe disposal and proper storage information sheet, Medications that contain opioids sheet, and DeTerra disposal bag. Participants present were also to receive a lock bag, OSAP ordered it but had not received it through the mail and will be delivered at a later date.

4) On 9/27/2019, CYFD/JPO invited Youth Services and OSAP to attend a Question Persuade Refer (QPR) training. This was a free event and to help with suicide prevention.

5) On 9/30/2019, OSAP collaborated with CYFD Behavioral Clinician, Keri Pattison in organizing a Youth Mental Health First Aid training (YMHFA). Pattison is a certified YMHFA trainer. There was a total of 20 participants, all but **Henderson**, were from

Clovis Municipal Schools (CMS). Keri was able to hold a separate training for the CMS since CMS actively wanted to participate in the training. OSAP also purchase the training booklets for each participant. It was great training. Hopefully, Pattison and **Henderson** are looking to organize another YMHFA training but target athletic trainers and coaches.

6) Henderson presented National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month proclamation to the commission board on October 1, 2019. Roden Smith Pharmacy (RSP) is only pharmacy that allowed to disseminate prescription bags at their pharmacy. OSAP extended invitation to participate to Walgreens, but ultimately declined. OSAP provided RSP with 9,000 prescription bags with information on raising awareness and safe disposal media.

7) On 10/32019, Henderson partnered with Agent Marney in disseminating the 4th degree felony tags at local alcohol retailers. Walgreens was able to participate by giving a tag out for every alcohol purchase in the brown bag. This purpose was to remind adults over the age of 21, to not provide alcohol to minors. Hilltop Bottle Shop were more than willing to disseminate the tags on the random alcohol throughout the store and give the tags as a reminder as well. Each store had 1,000 tags to give out for the Homecoming weekend.

8) That same day, Henderson and DWI Program Manager, went to the Clovis High school concession stands and put 4th degree felony stickers on the concession drinks. OSAP received permission from Pepsico to do so and from the previous Booster Club president (not longer there, new elected president). There was a total of 500 stickers put on concession drinks. **Henderson** shared personal experience and felt the booster club parent volunteers working the concession stands were not very receptive of the media messaging and questioned why we were there. Volunteers were a little standoffish and suggested that they could give the stickers out themselves to the little kids. **Meeks** explained the messaging on the stickers were not age appropriate for kids and were intended for adults and parents. **Caroland** asked if it would make a difference if having a CMS employee present would make a difference. **Henderson** would love any time of help and believes this activity can be sustainable and reaches our target demographics. There was also some conversations of having a law enforcement office present as representation. **Sgt. Soule** said it was possible, however, if there is a call then NMSP will have to leave and respond. **Henderson** agreed and understands the NMSP priority. Coalition members are in agreeance of continuing this activity but with more support.

9) Henderson attended the Opioid Response Network Training in Albuquerque on 10/7/2019 and 10/8/2019. The content that was presented did not really pertain to prevention and focused more on treatment and rehabilitation. **Henderson** felt that information also did not match with Curry County population. Some key highlights that **Henderson** got out of the training was that Curry County is ranked among the lowest of the New Mexico counties in prescribing Naxolone with every Opioid

prescriptions and Medical Assisted Treatment (MAT) facilities. This is more common within rural counties of NM. **Keith** stated that the closest MAT facility is in Roswell and is fairly new. **Keith** also stated that MHR did look into starting a MAT in Clovis, however, the cost of training a professional and additional requirements of obtaining a MAT facility was too expensive and there were too many barriers.

VI. Open Issues:

- 1) SAMHSA Communities Talk Underage Alcohol Drinking Town Hall:
Event is still coming along. Planning committee has great ideas. Finding a location is delaying the event for community promotion. There was a slight change in location so now OSAP is waiting to hear back.
- 2) DEA Prescription Drugs Take Back – October 26, 2019:
Henderson stated that she might not present for the take back. Everything for the Take Back is set up and all that is needed is extra volunteers to cover for a couple of hours. Henderson has assigned site leaders, those who have volunteered before, know how the take back work and agreed to be site leaders. **Caroland** and **Alman** signed up to cover those shifts. Also, **Henderson** will be reaching out to get sharps container to collect sharps.

VII. New Business:

- 1) Red Ribbon Week:
Red Ribbon is scheduled from October 23rd – 31st, 2019. Theme is “Send a message. Stay Drug Free.” Meeks has a lot of activities planned throughout the week.
- 2) Synar Merchant Education:
Henderson stated that Curry County merchant sites have increased from 33 locations to 49 locations. **Henderson** was also asked by the State if Curry County can reach to surrounding counties with no OSAP provider and complete Synar. **Henderson** will also be doing Quay County with 20 additional locations. Henderson asked if there would be volunteers to help out with reaching some sites. **Rey** suggested to create a list of locations and send a sign-up sheet.
- 3) Kamama Consulting:
Henderson provided updates on trainings for CORE team members and upcoming training list.

VIII. Questions/Comments:

IX. Upcoming meeting/events:

- a. Coalition Meeting – Meeting scheduled for **Tuesday November 12th, 2019.**

X. Meeting Adjourned: **1:00 p.m.**