WESTERN OKLAHOMA OPIOID PREVENTION CONSORTIUM

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WESTERN OKLAHOMA OPIOID PREVENTION CONSORTIUM MEETING

October 24th, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Welcome & Introductions – If you are joining us virtually, please put your name and contact information in the Chat.

- Steve Berry, SWODA
- Cheryl Megli, SWODA
- Rosalee Hamill, ODMHSAS
- George Ankrah, ODMHSAS
- Tana Fletcher, Cordell Community Members
- Michael Shields, IHS
- Kendra Dilbeck, SWODA
- Jeremiah Trent, IHS

General Items

- SWODA Staff participated in OKARR listening sessions for Harmon County, Tillman/Kiowa Counties, and provided some input to participants in the Caddo County Call. OKARR is developing plans for these counties so they can access more of the Settlement Funds from the Opioid Abatement Board. We anticipate the plans will be like the plans crafted for Beckham and Custer Counties that we reviewed in the Sept meeting.
- Next meeting date: Normal schedule would fall on Thanksgiving and then on the day after Christmas. Last year we met in early December, splitting the difference, but still meeting. I propose Thursday, December 19th at 10:00am.

Prevention

- ODMHSAS Community Based Prevention Grants- *Kendra Dilbeck*
  - Podcast from 9/23/24
    - If you would like to listen to our podcast from last month please visit:
      - Spotify Podcasts: https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/kendra1841/episodes/Episode-1-SUPTR-Substance-Use-Prevention--Treatment--and-Recovery--why-we-do-what-we-do-e2m1t14
      - YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@thepreventionproject/featured
  - Wellness Symposium
    - The SWODA staff were able to attend the Wellness Symposium last month.
  - Funding- All grants are fully funded through 6-30-2025
  - OK Challenge at WTC
    - DeShawna Smyth and I were able to attend this event at the Western Technology Center.
    - We played a game of Kahoot where we asked the students questions about the dangers of using substances and the dangers of using substances and driving. They seem to be engaged for the most part.
    - We will provide data at the next meeting
  - Drug Take Back Events (Brittani can cover if she is on the call): Washita, Beckham, Jackson, and Grady Counties.
    - Cordell on October 26th from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
    - Elk City on October 26th from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
    - Altus on November 2nd from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
    - Chickasha on November 9th from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
  - Facebook Live
    - If you would like to go back and watch out Facebook Lives please follow the link below: https://www.swoda.org/substance-use-prevention-treatment-and-recovery
  - September was National Recovery Month
    - https://www.samhsa.gov/recovery-month
  - Red Ribbon Week
    - https://www.redribbon.org/
  - Substance Use Prevention Month
    - https://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/observances/substance-use-prevention-month#:~:text=October%20is%20Substance%20Use%20Prevention,improving%20lives%20in%20our%20communities.

- Oklahoma Opioid Abatement Grant - *Steve Berry*
  - Naloxone (Narcan) Trainings: 9-25 Custer Co Elected Officials, 10-1 Lone Wolf Community, 10-16 Canute School Staff, 10-17 Altus Community
  - OD Emergency Kits & Pouches: 6 & 2 for Washita County Govt, 10 & 10 for Canute Schools, 10 & 10 for Granite Schools, 1 for Living Waters Church (Mangum),
  - Vending Machines: No placements yet; we have not received them yet. We have had many conversations with potential sites. Convenience stores (Cordell, Sayre, Snyder), WOSC, SWOSU, Custer County Govt,
  - Drug Take Back Events: Nov 9th, Custer County (Weatherford)

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- Partner Recruitment/MOU: Beckham Co Govt, Custer Co Govt, Roger Mills Co Govt, Washita Co Govt, Washita Emerg Mgr., Southside Conv Store Sayre, Kwik N EZ Cordell, Right Here C-Store Cordell, WOSC, SWOSU, Arapaho-Butler Schools, Mangum Schools, Granite Schools, Erick Schools, Burns Flat/Dill City Schools, Greer County Partners Achieving Wellness, Multi-County Coalition (Washita Co), Great Plains Youth & Family (Hobart), SOCAG (Altus), Operations Cares (Altus),

- Red Rock Behavioral Health- Brittani Brice
  - Not in attendance

Harm Reduction Efforts-

- Steve Berry, SWODA
  - SWODA Narcan Hub- We have Narcan, Fentanyl Testing Kits/Strips and Xylazine Testing Strips.
    - SWODA made referral to Panhandle Narcan Hub for staff training: Northwest Domestic Crisis Center (Guymon).
  - COSSUP 21 Grant-
    - Vending Machines- We still are not getting enough data from machines, so we are trying to change the signs to improve participation. Since the last meeting, we got data from 22 boxes dispensed from 3 different machines. The highest volume was from Jackson Co Mem Hospital in Altus (12), and then Operation Cares in Frederick (10). However, we restocked the JCMH machine with 3 dozen boxes.
    - Recruiting Host Sites- Steve met with Variety Care Clinic (Ft. Cobb), Carnegie Hospital, Warrior Mart (Anadarko), and CareFirst Wellness Associates/Clinic Pharmacy (Anadarko) about hosting vending machines. Attended Caddo Co Interagency Coalition in Anadarko.
    - Lock Bags, At-Home Disposal Kits- Distributed at Wellness Symposium (Altus), Kids Kites & Frights (Anadarko), Fall Festival (Snyder).

- ***o*** Darien Chebahtah, Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribal Opioid Response
  - ***o*** Not in attendance

Treatment

- Steve Berry/Cheryl Megli, SWODA
  - Mobile Unit Updates- The COSSUP24 application, if approved, would fund continuation of the Mobile Unit Operations. SWODA retains ownership of the Mobile Unit and will continue to seek opportunities to keep this program running.
  - Amber Wolfe, an APRN in the Variety Care Clinic of Ft Cobb is prescribing Suboxone for patients with OUD.

- IHS Clinton, George Hawkins Memorial Treatment Center, Michael Shields
  - The current treatment cycle ends in December.
  - Next treatment cycle starts January 8th, 2025.
  - Displays will be in at Clinton and El Reno.
    - Items being offered in the display cases:
      Narcan, HIV Self-Test Kits, Medication Lock Bags, RX Destroyer, and Gun Locks.



- The new Behavioral Health Supervisor starts November 4th. Her name is Pamela Sparks. She should be at the December meeting.
- Online Healing Circles groups start November 6th, 2024.
- IHS has been working on trying to get TOR Wellbriety books for their group meetings.

Recovery

- *Theresa Sharp, Evolution Foundation*
  - Not in attendance

- *Daniel Palmer*, Oxford Houses of Oklahoma
  - Women's Home in Woodward will be opening. They will have 6 or 8 beds.

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- Steve will try to get an update on when they are set to open and if the home is for just for Women or if it is for Women and Children.

- Jacey Burrow, Hope Is Alive
  - Not in attendance

- Staci Kirby, Amethyst House
  - Going to try and start an IOP in the Altus area as part of their Recovery Community Organization.

- Branch 15 (Community Housing for Women & Children) in Clinton
  - Not in attendance

Consortium Member Updates

- Upcoming Events:
  - Red Ribbon Week is October 23rd through October 31st https://www.redribbon.org/
  - Upcoming Trainings:
    - 2M2L Training in EL Reno on November 12th & 13th for Community Members and Law Enforcement
      - 2 Much 2 Lose training targets communities throughout the state by aiming to decrease underage drinking and alcohol related social problems.
      - Register for the 2M2L by visiting the ODMHSAS training institute: https://oklahoma.gov/odmhsas/trainings/training-institute.html
      - This is a free training.

    - Momentum Conference, Norman, December 4-6th
      - https://oklahoma.gov/odmhsas/trainings/conferences/momentum-conference.html

  - OKARR Conference is December 9-10th, in Broken Arrow, OK
  - Red Rock has lots of upcoming training. If you would like a list of those, please email steve@swoda.org.
  - Hope & Healing in Ada: November 21st – November 22nd

- All Consortium Members

*****Next meeting: **Thursday, December 19th, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.**

We always welcome everyone to join us in Burns Flat at our offices but will continue to offer virtual attendance options if travel may be a barrier.