

CHIP Committee: Community Mental Health Minutes

4/6/2023

- I. Introductions: Terri Ford-Wolfgram with ECDHD/GNCHC, Jessica Hicks with ECDHD, Chuck Sherer with Columbus PD, Jill Colegrove with Colegrove Counseling, Jake Schuettler with GNCHC, Bob Farber Schuyler PD, Carley Whitney with Columbus Public Schools, Joey Liptal with Schuyler Public Schools, Luz Colon-Rodriguez with Central Community College, Sarah Preston with Good Neighbor Community Health Care, Loree Rivas with ECDHD, Amy Heesacker with Big Pals-Little Pals, Jacob Holt with ECHDH, Claudia Lanuza with CHI Schuyler, Sandra Duncan with Area Agency on Aging, Karmen VanDeWalle with ECDHD.
- II. Strategic Planning Debrief-
 - General Comments: Jessica thought that we had a good turn out with a lot of stakeholders. Good to see everybody working together. Joey feels that things are going well with outside supports and we really need use more bilingual therapists. Joey expressed concerns about burnout and feels that educational professionals are burning out fast. He states that they would like to see more family support, as they feel that they are over run.

Claudia would like to figure out how to work together, but is fearful that smaller communities would get lost in the shuffle. Schuyler has done a great job building their coalition. Would like to find a way to work together without losing their identity. Joey agrees and would like to see a timeline.

Carly wondered if it was necessary to combine counties. Group discussed separate county groups with yearly or bi-yearly collaborative meetings.

The group discussed actions that they would like to see. Joey suggested that we make a list (Google Drive Sheet) of ideas to talk through such as Handshake and Hope Squad.

- III. Upcoming Events-
 - Wellbeing Initiative- Lived Experience Tour
 - COR Classes (including Drugs and Alcohol Education)
 - Minority Health & Well-Being Fair- April 29th, 10-3
 - Claudia reported that they are exploring bringing a speaker for Stop Opioid NE Overdose (Amy- state speaker) Will share when she has a date. Intended audience- 2

presentations- middle schoolers/high schoolers and then second is to parents/community members.

- Joey reported that they are going to have a new superintendent, next year (this year had a three-day in-service and each day had a focus- maybe next year this committee can facilitate some of the trainings).
- Chief Farber reported that they started teaching DARE in Fisher.

IV. Next meeting: Thursday May 4, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.