Greene County Human Services Advisory Board Drug and Alcohol/SCA Planning Council April 29, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Board Members in Attendance: Mark Carlson, Janice Blair-Martin, Donna Dire, Jeff McCracken, Gene Rush

Board Members not in Attendance: Pat Lemley, Terry Cooley-Taylor, Archie Trader

Staff Members in Attendance: Tammy Henderson, Administrative Assistant; Melissa Kirk, Drug and Alcohol Director; Amy Switalski, Housing and Family Resource Director

Public: none

Call to Order – Jeff McCracken

Introduction of Board members, Staff, and Public

Quorum Check: Quorum was met.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 18, 2019 – Motion was made to accept the minutes by Mark Carlson and second by Jeff McCracken.

Presentation – Amy Switalski, Housing and Family Resource Director Amy gave a brief update about the OUD Housing Grant.

Connect Inc. has been awarded an OUD Housing Grant to help those who are homeless and are diagnosed with OUD. Greene County Human Services- Housing Program is subcontracted to complete the Case Management piece of this grant. The SAMSHA OUD Housing Grant will run from April – September 2019, with the hope of an extension.

Currently those coming out of long-term treatment or incarceration are not considered homeless until their first night on the street; this is counterproductive when it comes to recovery. Therefore, in collaboration with Connect Inc. Greene County is providing housing options to the OUD population. These individuals will still remain on the 20 county regional wait list for longer term help with housing but as they wait on this list, they now will be housed and a case manager will be assigned to them too ensure they a can succeed. We will work with the D and A Department, Probation, and MA providers to receive referrals of those who will need assessed. If the person or family that has an OUD diagnosis and is homeless or will be homeless within 14 days, we can enroll them in the program. Once enrolled in the program, the client will set goals, working towards long term, self-sustaining housing. The OUD Case manager will work collaboratively with other programs and providers in the area, to ensure that the client will have the supports needed.

Drug and Alcohol Program Updates

- a. Case Management/ICM
 - i. Case Management Grant Greene County had the chance to reapply for Case Management Grant funding that we did not receive in the first round. This additional funding through DDAP will allow for funding for additional case managers to be able to offer a more holistic approach in service delivery, which addresses all the human services needs is essential to a client's pre-engagement, pre-contemplation, treatment engagement, return to the community and ongoing recovery.
 - ii. STATS July 1, 2018 through April 29, 2019 257 Level of Care Assessments

Top 3 drugs of choose:

July 1, 2018 through April 29, 2019 Marijuana Suboxone/Subutex – oral Alcohol

Number of the LOC Assessments:

- July 1, 2018 through April 29, 2019 109 went to Rehab 57 went to Outpatient 32 went to Detox 19 Intensive Outpatient 15 Outpatient Treatment 9 Long-Term Residential 7 Not Recommended for Treatment 4 Psycho Education 5 Medically Managed Inpatient Residential
- b. Prevention
 - i. Programing in the schools Melissa gave a brief rundown of the prevention specialists and each school district that they cover and programs that they have been completing.
 - ii. Community Prevention -
 - 1. Completed Gambling Away the Golden Years at Gateway and the Senior Centers
 - Participated in Festival of Fitness at Waynesburg University on March 28th
 - 3. Participated in Kidfest April 13th

- 4. May 9th will participate in the Mental Health picnic
- 5. May 11th will participated in a workshop for Waynesburg VFW Auxiliary on Narcan and Overdosing.
- 6. Applied for a grant to provide a town hall meeting on preventing underage drinking.
- iii. DDAP Prevention Needs Assessment Currently in Phase 3 of the needs assessment this needs to be completed by May.
- c. Communities That Care- Donna is no longer working in CTC. Shanna has taken over do minimal activities since the grant ended March 31st. Looking for additional funding to keep the program running.
- d. Opioid Strategies
 - Drug Take Back Boxes & Drug Take Back Day- April 26th is National Take Back day. 20 people participated.
 - ii. Opioid Task Force Opioid Presentation Stigma Session at the fairgrounds on June 4th. More details to come.

Recovery Oriented System of Care (ROSC)

a. Oxford Houses – Melissa reported that the men's Oxford Houses was full and the women's has two residents.

Announcements:

a. The next Drug and Alcohol Subcommittee meeting scheduled for May 13th is being moved to May 20th.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mark Carlson to adjourn the meeting and second by Pat Lemley.