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Behavioral Health Advisory Board

Date: Friday, October 21st, 2022

Time: 12:00pm - 1:15pm

Location:

Virtual – Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89661572865?pwd=SIN1WUFTYmNEeUxzdGJLWlFqMHRKUT09

Agenda Items				
	Welcome and introductions			
12:00PM - 12:10PM	 Colleen Synsky - PHAB Guest here for Homelessness Minimum Care Presentation - Also the Exec Director of FUSE Katie Plumb - Crook County Public Health Director - Attending to speak about the Regional Overdose Prevention Coalition Stacy Shaw - Regional Overdose Prevention Coordinator - Attending to speak about the Regional Overdose Prevention Coalition David Huntley - PHAB Guest here for Homelessness Minimum Care Presentation Tom Kuhn - PHAB Guest here for Homelessness Minimum Care Presentation Update from Janice Garceau 	Roger Olson		
	 DCBH leadership is amidst a lot of transition at this time, with several leaders doing several roles. 			
	 One of the leadership priorities is to hire a public health director, so interviews will most likely happen 11/4, DCHS leadership is making a final decision on interview dates on Monday, so far at least 19 candidates have submitted interest. 			



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PHAB Presentation- Homeless Minimum Care Standards

Q&A

Q: As a community we tend to assume that the unhoused population are the people we 'see' but the community doesn't typically think of the broader unhoused population, like the single Mom who lost her job and doesn't have a place to live, or the teenager who is sleeping on someone's couch. Do we have a sense of how many people are in that category?

A: A third of the unhoused population, typically, is that visibly unhoused group, so about 2/3 fits in the other category. There are several problems with accurately identifying the total unhoused population: 1. People don't typically like to be considered unhoused. 2. Healthcare documentation isn't robust/organized/sophisticated enough to accurately capture this data

Q: What does the older (65+) population look like in the PIT count?

A: The population in general is aging and that is parallel to the homeless population. A lot of this population is on a fixed income that hasn't increased with the cost of living and therefore they are unable to pay rent. Wraparound services aren't equipped to meet all of the needs of the aging population. The PIT count doesn't break down age in detail but PH can see in general that the population is trending older.

- Discussed aging and the terminally ill. There are some resources for those who are unhoused and at the end of life:
 - https://www.centraloregonfuse.org/

12:10PM – 12:35PM Dave Huntley Peter Boehm Colleen Sinsky



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	https://thepeacefulpresenceproject.org/	
	Q: What does the older (65+) population look like	
	in the PIT count?	
	A: Shepherd's house has 90 that are at capacity	
	almost nightly, and they are expecting to add capacity with the colder weather. BI and BHRN are	
	not included in the graph.	
	Q: Do we know how many beds offered are not	
	affiliated with faith-based programs?	
	A: The HIT does not separate the numbers, and	
	Colleen doesn't believe there is a faith	
	component/requirement to access shelters.	
	 Pastor Rick has a safe parking program in 	
	Redmond, which has been successful as it requires	
	little overhead and can host 6-8 per vehicles per	
	night. The challenge is finding property owners to	
	donate parking spots.	
	 If you have any additional questions about this topic you may reach out to: 	
	■ Colleen Sinsky	
	csinsky@centraloregonfuse.org	
	 David Huntley <u>david.p.huntley@gmail.com</u> 	
	The Control Overen Health Council Fontanul Crisis	
	 The Central Oregon Health Council- Fentanyl Crisis Presentation 	
	 Katie gave a history of the Overdose Prevention & 	
	Response in Central Oregon. It's been happening	
	for quite some time, but more so in the	
12:35PM-	background.	Katie Plumb
1:00PM	 Pain Standards Task Force- because of their work, 	Stacy Shaw
	there was a big reduction in overprescribing in	
	Central Oregon.	
	 The pandemic exacerbated overdoses. However, 	
	many resources were put towards the pandemic	
	and not overdoses. This group leaned heavily on	



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college students to keep this work going through the pandemic.

- o Communication:
 - Created a surveillance metrics tools to measure the current state of overdose.
 - They are aware that people are experiencing messaging fatigue and therefore use their surveillance to create intentional and targeted messaging whether that be a boosted Facebook message or interviews with media.
- Moving from Taskforce to a Coalition, as this is ongoing work and taskforce indicates there is an end.
- The Coalition is publishing a communication toolkit that focusing on not stigmatizing access to treatment and recover.
- Some campaigns current campaigns:
 - Take Meds Seriously Oregon https://takemedsseriouslyoregon.org/
 - Heal Safely- https://healsafely.org/
- They are building local systems to increase their accuracy and timeliness of reporting and response to overdoses.

Q: Do we know how much Narcan is going out the door?

A: Because Narcan goes out through so many different pathways, the exact amount is unknown and unsure of how much is expiring before being used. Harm Reduction Program (HRP) at Deschutes County, law enforcement and Mosaic medical track Narcan usage very closely and report back to the Coalition.

Q: What can this group to do help the taskforce/coalition?



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	A: Report overdoses as soon as you hear about	
	them. This can be done very informally by email or	
	text.	
	Katie Plumb: kplumb@h.co.crook.or.us	
	Stacy Shaw: <u>sshaw@h.co.crrok.or.us</u>	
	■ Phone: 541-447-5165	
	Q: What are some opportunities to get involved?	
	A: Surveillance Workgroup: October 27 th 10-11am	
	virtual and every other month.	
	Coalition:	
	November 3 rd 10:30-12- Hyrbrid	
	January TBD	
	Website coming soon.	
	Schedule by-law meeting	
1:00PM – 1:15PM	 Christina, Roger, Jessica, and Lorelei volunteered 	
	to meet and revise the BHAB bylaws.	
	 This subgroup agreed that Fridays at noon was a 	
	good time. Dana will schedule the meeting and	Jessica Vierra
	room.	Jessied Vierra
	Plan for 2023 Fairs	
	 Please bring a list of fairs or events that you think 	
	BHAB should attend so we can start to schedule for	
	2023.	
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Parking Lot:		