

Region 10 PIHP

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GROUP MEETING: Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Oversight Policy Board

PLACE: Region 10 PIHP – 2186 Water Street, Port Huron, MI / In-Person and Virtually via MS Teams

DATE: March 04, 2025

TIME: 3:30 p.m.

PRESIDING: Kenneth Briggs

Present: Teddy Pace, Kenneth Briggs, Todd Anglebrandt, Olivia DeMoss, Kimberly Shewmaker, Cheryl Clark, Gary Jones, and Jeff Stoner

Absent: Bobbie Cutcher

Also Present: Kelly VanWormer: Region 10 Interim CEO, Ken Heuvelman: Region 10 SUD Director, Tammy Haerens: Region 10 SUD Administrative Technician/Recording Secretary and Carrie Benacquisto: Region 10 Finance Director

Guests: Dante Jennings, Carrie Chanter (Genesee Health System)
Angela Van Slembrouck and Kelsey Wolfe (Michigan Public Health Institute)

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was officially called to order at 3:33 p.m. by Chairperson Briggs.

II. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

III. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

IV. PRESENTATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (Action)

It was moved by Mr. Anglebrandt, seconded by Mr. Pace, to approve the February 4, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote:** Ayes: Kenneth Briggs, Gary Jones, Jeff Stoner, and Olivia DeMoss. Nays: None. Abstained: None

V. Michigan Overdose Fatality Review (MiOFR)

Angela Van Slembrouck and Kelsey Wolfe with Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI) spoke to the board about the Overdose Fatality Review (OFR). The purpose of an OFR is to effectively identify system gaps and innovative community-specific overdose prevention and intervention strategies. In practice, OFRs involve a series of confidential individual fatality reviews by a multidisciplinary team. Some topics that were discussed via the power point were: OFR Landscape; they have 20 active OFR teams, 2 developing teams and 5 counties interested in starting an OFR. Another topic that was discussed was the Public Act 313 and how it pertains to confidentiality within the scope of the meetings/reviews. Ms. Wolfe explained that one case is reviewed per meeting and that each county determines the frequency of how often the meetings will happen. During the meetings there are recommendations and implementations. Ms. Van Slembrouck provided links that Ms. Haerens will email out to the board. The board was able to bring any questions pertaining to OFRs to Ms. Wolfe and Ms. Van Slembrouck.

VI. Financial Report Update

Carrie Benacquisto discussed the financial report from December 2024. She reported on the breakdown of SUD grants as well as the PA2 funds and what has been spent so far.

VII. SUD Director Update

Mr. Heuvelman provided some updates. Mr. Heuvelman gave several department updates. Department Updates. Mr. Heuvelman reported that he State is continuing to work on its priority population process. Currently child protective services in Genesee County are piloting a new system to notify the PIHP of individuals they are referring for an SUD screening. Region 10 is meeting to discuss how we will process this going forward. At some point this Summer OPEN will be launching a Buprenorphine warmline allowing for 24/7 access to buprenorphine prescribers. Region 10 will be meeting with OPEN to discuss how to support individuals who use this new service and then need ongoing support from our provider network.

Another update that was discussed is The Purdue Pharma and the Sackler Family settlement has been reached for \$7.4 Billion. It could take up to two years for any funds to begin to be distributed. Lastly Mr. Heuvelman reported that MDHHS announced a new initiative related to improving public behavioral health care and is requesting public feedback through an online survey. In the announcement, MDHHS indicated that they intend to pursue a competitive process for future PIHP contracts. The PIHP Board and Management staff have been having ongoing discussions about our response and what this looks like going forward.

VIII. PA2 Request: Pillars of Hope Speaker Series: EmpowerMENT Panel Event (GHS/Genesee County)

Mr. Heuvelman brought a proposal before the board. GHS is requesting funding to support a community-wide event focused on identifying and addressing various forms of trauma including substance use and overdose. This will be the third GHS-hosted *Pillars of Hope* event. *Pillars of Hope*, a community program that addresses mental health-related topics, will continue hosting events at various locations within the Flint and Genesee County communities. This event is designed to provide hope and connect attendees to community resources to address their own trauma, co-occurring disorders and life needs.

This event will take place Saturday, June 14 at the Genesee County Fairgrounds in conjunction with the Midwest Invitational Rodeo (MWIR). GHS is requesting \$65,829 for this event. Dante Jennings, with GHS, also added that this event is open to the entire community.

It was moved by Mr. Briggs, seconded by Ms. Shewmaker to recommend the request for approval to the Region 10 Board. **MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote:** Ayes: Kenneth Briggs and Kim Shewmaker. Nays: None. Abstained: None.

IX. Any Other Business To Properly Come Before The Board

Ms. Van Wormer introduced herself to the board as the interim CEO of Region 10 and gave them a little background information. Ms. Van Wormer let the board know that they could contact her with any questions. Ms. Van Wormer encouraged the board to complete the survey from MDHHS this month as it is only open in the month of March. Ms. Haerens will send out the press release from MDHHS as well as the survey.

X. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment of the meeting was moved by Ms. Shewmaker. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Haerens
Recording Secretary