

**Joint Mental Health & Addiction Recovery Subcommittee
January 6, 2023**

Present: Belinda Bradley, Ashley Livingston, Jeremy Duers, Amy Lynch, Dean Clickner, Katherine Chambers, Nick Ferranti, Stephanie Raney, Sue McManus, Kate Brown, Bethany Neely, Jackie Foster, Jennifer Neifeld, Jennifer Hill, Jen Haggerty, Rhonda Garcia

Staff: Robert York, Crystal Mallory, Carrie Wright

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| Introductions | Introductions were made and the meeting began at 10:00am. | N/A |
| <p>Hope and Healing Recovery Center & Friends of Recovery: Ashley Livingston and Katherine Chambers, Council for Prevention</p> | <p>A. Livingston and K. Chambers provided an overview of the Hope and Healing Recovery Center and Friends of Recovery Warren-Washington, as well as related programming provided through the Council for Prevention. Friends of Recovery Warren-Washington provides advocacy at the legislative level. Hope & Healing Recovery Center provides peer-led recovery support services on-site as well as virtually, through their “without walls” services. Services include: recovery education, training and resources; Telehealth access for virtual connectivity hubs in 4 communities; Jail-based parenting and support services; Peer Collaborative, RCORP, Opioid Settlement Funding for Warren County Outreach Coordinator; SMART Recovery and restorative practice training and education. In School programming for Teen Intervene, SMART T, and SUNY ADK Narcan/ARM, Drug Take Back Days, Lemonade Stand Narcan, Trick or Treat Detera & Free Store. They partner to provide various individual, youth and family programs, as well. Power Point will be included. “We Recover Together” February 7th Stand up for Recovery Day.</p> | |
| <p>ADK Peer-to-Peer Program – Jeremy Duers, SUNY ADK</p> | <p>Jeremy Duers, Coordinator for the ADK Veteran’s Peer-to-Peer program, provided an overview of their services. This program is part of the Joseph P. Dwyer Veteran’s Peer-to-Peer initiative funded by NYS. He is interested in networking with local providers to be able to provide referrals and connection for veteran’s in need in our community. The program develops and provides informal peer-support opportunities and events in the community to support veterans and their behavioral health needs. His contact information is: duersj@sunyacc.edu; (518)742-9527.</p> | |

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| Informational Items: Crisis Coordination Committee Warren County ARPA Behavioral Health Projects & Opioid Settlement Funds | <p>R. York discussed getting the community crisis providers together for a group to ensure coordination as new services are developed/expanded.</p> <p>R. York shared an Excel Spreadsheet overviewing Warren County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Warren County awarded the Community Services Board \$1,000,000 in ARPA funding to address COVID-19 pandemic behavioral health impacts. Seven projects were approved for BH funding totaling \$1,000,000 (Look Media, Wait House, ADK EAP, Brayton Psychological, People USA, WWAMH & GFH). Three projects met the approved uses for Opioid Settlement funding, so are being funded out of Warren County Opioid Settlement funds: total \$383,096 (820 River St, CFP & ACCA). More information will follow regarding development and implementation of these various projects.</p> | |
| Agency updates: Office of Community Services ADK EAP | <p>Lisa Coutu has retired. Linda Wright has been promoted to Deputy Director-Clinical and recruitment efforts are ongoing to backfill the Children's SPOA Coordinator position.</p> <p>S. McManus stated September of 2022 Brainstorm was launched, in 2023 it will be split into 2 events. In May a Chalk the walk event, then in October a Brainstorm event.</p> | |
| Adjournment and Next Meeting | <i>The meeting adjourned at 11:10am. The next meeting of the Mental Health / Addiction Recovery Subcommittees of the Warren and Washington County Community Services Boards is scheduled for Friday, March 31, 2023, 10a-12 noon via Zoom.</i> | N/A |

Minutes respectively submitted by Crystal Mallory, Secretary to the Boards