

Opioid Response Region 4 Council Agenda

November 7, 2022

10:00 am

Virtual Meeting Attendance

On November 7, 2022 at 10:00 am Commissioners from across the Eastern District attended a virtual meeting to establish the Opioid Response Region 4 Council. Present were:

Board Members: Scott Weaver – Yuma County, Byron Pelton – Logan County, Chris Richardson – Elbert County, Stan Hitchcock – Kit Carson County, Terry Hofmeister – Phillips County, Commander JD Ross – Sterling PD, Sheriff Dave Martin – Morgan County

Advisory Council Members: Valerie Boyd – Kit Carson County Public Health, Trish McClain & Michelle Pemberton – Northeast Colorado Health Department, Spencer Green – Centennial Mental Health

Also present: Tony Wells – Washington County, Mike Leerar – Yuma County, Gordon Westhoff – Morgan County, Trent Bushner – Yuma County

Also joining the meeting were special guests: Andrea Calhoon – Yuma County Administrator, Ailala Kay – OMNI Institute, Jennifer Mackender, MJ Jorgenson, & Erika Greenburg – Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention, Wanda Lousburg – Recovery Representative, Tobey Hofmeister – Recovery Representative

Minutes

Sheriff Martin moved to approve the minutes from the October 3, 2022 minutes as presented. Commissioner Hoffmeister seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.

Special Guests

Jennifer Mackender, MJ Jorgenson, and Erika Greenburg of the Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention were recognized as special guests and provided an introduction of their role and available services through their programs. Group members asked questions and participated in a discussion regarding programs and access to services. The primary function of the Consortium is to facilitate connectivity between service providers and funding to maximize access to and success of prescription drug abuse treatment and prevention programs.

Council Documents

Calhoon presented updates on the status of regional MOU signatures as compared to opt-out localities in the region and reported the anticipated receipt of funding distribution sometime in the month of November.

2 Year Abatement Plan

Calhoon reported on the draft of a formal Request for Proposals for provision of regional services as directed by the board and established by the workgroup. Calhoon requested feedback from the group on the document and the timeline for deployment. The RFP was discussed and tabled for final adoption at the December meeting. The group requested some

additional draft language regarding the required qualifications for entities and individuals submitting proposals as well as penalties for non-performance and/or non-compliance. Calhoon will work on compiling requirements ahead of the next meeting.

Next Meeting

The group planned the next Council meeting for Monday December 19 at 10:00 am. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Byron Pelton, Chairman