



## Logan County CORE Team Leader Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2017

Present:

Steve Marshall/ Kroger Pharmacy, Tammy Nicholl/ MHDAS Board, Ashley Baker/ CHWPLC, Jan Rhoades/ CCI, Reuben Mees/ Bellefontaine Examiner, Annette Deao/ Logan Co. Family Ct, Grant Varian/ MRH, Steve Terrill/ Community Advocate, Paul Benedetti/ Logan Co Chamber, Christyn Wietholter/ MHDAS intern, Brandon Standley/ BPD, Sarah Seeley, Brent Luttmmer, Nicolas Kennedy / Ben Logan Students

### 1. Media/ Photo Op w/ United Way Board Members

- Members of the CORE Leadership Team and members of United Way Board gathered for media coverage of the formal acceptance of a UW Grant allocation of \$26,150 for CORE projects. Thank You, Dave and United Way!!!

### 2. Benjamin Logan students, Sarah Seely, Brent Luttmmer, and Cole Kennedy presented their Government class project to host a resource fair in Logan County to increase awareness of the resources and supports available in our community for treatment of heroin/opiate addiction.

- The students outlined their project and the event planned for May 20, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Marketplace Café.
- CORE Leaders engaged the youth in discussion about their long-term interest in becoming involved with the Coalition work and their understanding of the impact of opiates on students at Ben Logan.

### 3. Ashley Baker and Chief Standley shared info from their recent experience as CORE representatives at the National Rx Drug Abuse & Heroin Summit in Atlanta.

- Ashley
  - a. Exciting info on bio-mapping and the work of discovering the impact of pain on the brain, tracking where pain begins.
  - b. Work being done to have a 6 month implant version of Suboxone available soon.
  - c. Research being done to develop a vaccine for heroin and fentanyl.
  - d. Watched an HBO documentary titled: "Warning: This Drug Will Kill You" on the effects of heroin and shift to fentanyl.
  - e. In some ways, because the issue is so severe in Ohio, there are several ways we are ahead of other states. Some states currently don't even use Suboxone.
  - f. Betty Ford Hazelton Group presented on MAT and Ashley shared with them how CHWPLC has learned to bill and obtain prior authorizations.
  - g. Marijuana 101 class had presenters from Colorado sharing how the legalizing of marijuana has negatively impacted their state, especially the youth.
- Brandon
  - a. Sam Quinones had a heart attack just a day or so before he was to present as the keynote at the Summit so they did not get to hear him speak. He was recovering well.
  - a. DEA shared projects that they are working on in Ohio w/ Montgomery County and the High Intensity Drug Traffic Assoc. Looking at new software for law enforcement to make tracking info more efficient and reliable.

- b. Learned there are OD response teams in place all over the nation. Most run very similarly to what we are planning.
- c. Great presentation with Patrick Kennedy sharing his family's experience with addiction
- d. Opportunities to meet lots of new people and great networking
- e. Brandon also recently attended a state conference on marijuana and was concerned at the lack of preparedness state staff are in being ready to deal with the issues that will come with legalization. CORE will need to continue to monitor this issue closely and keep folks informed of the truthful impact.

#### **4. Current Events/ Activities**

- a. Tammy shared that our Recovery House for women is operational and will be going thru transition of a different House Manager later this month. Still have openings if there are referrals.
- b. Jan Rhoades shared an update from the group that is meeting to implement a local OD Response Team. Meetings w/ Montgomery County and Colerain Twp went well and looking to implement a team to respond to OD's in the city of Bellefontaine and separate team for the County. Hope to have groups organized to respond in the next month.
- c. Tammy shared that another group of Ben Logan Government class students has requested a presentation tomorrow to Seniors about the opiate epidemic and the medication take-back opportunities locally. Tammy, Stacey Logwood, Sheriff Dodds and Christie Barnes will be presenting.
- d. Tammy shared that the Drug Free Work Place grant with the Logan County Chamber and Working Partners have gotten 6 businesses to participate in the training and work toward a DFWP Policy that will include a 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance agreement. The businesses engaged in the project are Acusport, BelleTech, MidWest Express, NEX, World Class Plastics and the Logan County Chamber. Paul Benedetti is doing a great job of working with and recruiting business buy-in for the project.

#### **5. Budget Updates:**

- a. Reviewed the United Way budget with all Team Leaders so they know what dollars they have to work with for projects in each of the Teams. Awesome opportunities that these dollars will mean to further the work of CORE. Thankful to United Way!!

#### **6. Faith Based Initiatives:**

- a. Celebrate Recovery is coming back and 3 local churches working together to provide leadership and get the program started. Hoping it will grow from there.
- b. First Friends Church had Robin Barton and Ashley speak at a recent District Meeting. Looking at how the churches can be more involved in the drug abuse issues in the community.

#### **Next Meetings:**

- Next meeting of **CORE Team Leaders will be August 10, 2017** at noon at Union Station.
- Next **Full CORE meeting is October 11, 2017 @ 5:00pm** at Union Station