**Meramec Regional Planning Commission**

Opioid Affected Youth Initiative

Planning Phase 1, Meeting 6

July 29, 2020 at 3:30 PM

Zoom Video Conferencing

**Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Mickey Boles (Juvenile Office, 25th Cir.), Casey Burton (Phelps Health), Jessica Butery (Crawford County Jail), Heather Durbin (Kids’ Harbor), Terisha Friedmann (MO Bapt. Hospital – Sullivan), Mary Heywood (Mid-Ozark CASA), Linda Kozlowski (Phelps-Maries Health), Jamie Myers (Prevention Consultants of MO), Teresa Norton (Citizen of Belle), Haylee Platt (MO Bapt. Hospital – Sullivan), Stephanie Schindler (MU Extension), Tracy Sovar (MADAC Inc.), Beverly Williams (Washington County Memorial Hospital)

**MRPC Staff Present:**  Christa Harmon, Jane Johannsen, Rebecca Losing, Samantha Maddison, Mark Perkins

**Guests Present:** Abigail Bowen (Compass Health Network), Deanne Lyons (Rolla City Council), Dave Schott (Rolla City Council)

**Welcome:** OAYI Project Coordinator, Jane Johannsen, greeted consortium members, MRPC staff and guests and commenced the Planning Phase 1, Meeting 6 at 3:35 PM

**Review of June 18, 2020 Meeting Minutes:** Mickey Boles motioned to approve the 061820 minutes; Linda Kozlowski seconded the motion.

**Project Updates:**

1. **OJJDP feedback for project approvals:** Jane Johannsen debriefed the consortium on recent OJJDP feedback for project approvals. (1) Project Deliverable templates and Webinar Concept Forms must be submitted to OJJDP for any intended project outcomes. (2) OJJDP is reluctant to approve any project outcome that takes a “holistic” approach to opioid use disorder; the outcome must have a clear focus on opioids and youth and/or their families. (3) OJJDP requests the incorporation of youth into project implementation. (4) MRPC took this feedback into consideration when assessing the SWOT and Action Item feasibilities.
   1. **Trauma Informed Schools Webinar Concept Form:** This training was not approved by OJJDP to support the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative for the following reasons: the concept was a holistic approach to Opioid Use Disorder; and the language surrounding Trauma Informed Care, Brain Science, and generational trauma is not supported by the administration leading the Department of Justice.
      1. **Missouri Statewide Trauma Informed School Trainings:** As a public service announcement, Jane Johannsen shared the link for registration for Trauma Informed School through the Missouri Department of Mental Health. For more information on Trauma Informed Schools, email Rachel Jones at [rachel.jones@dmh.mo.gov](mailto:rachel.jones@dmh.mo.gov).
   2. **Social Media videos:** Rebecca Losing thanked the consortium members who submitted videos and requested the referral of additional individuals with lived-opioid use disorder experience from the remaining counties in our region. Rebecca can be reached at [rlosing@meramecregion.org](mailto:rlosing@meramecregion.org).
   3. **Crisis Intervention Team trainings:**  This training was not approved by OJJDP to support the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative for the following reasons: the concept did not have a stringent focus on youth and opioid misuse; and the language surrounding and/or related to generational trauma and Brain Science is not supported by the Department of Justice. As a public service announcement, Jane Johannsen made a short introduction for Abigail Bowen, Community Mental Health Liaison at Compass Health, who briefly shared her contact information and upcoming training opportunities for those agencies interested in participating in CIT training outside the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative. For more information, email [abowen@compasshn.org](mailto:abowen@compasshn.org) or call (573) 502-3773.
   4. **Substance Use Disorder Awareness Walks:** Christa Harmon shared information about the August 1, 2020 St. James Substance Use Disorder Awareness walk through a partnership with MRPC’s Rural Opioid Initiative and Mid-Missouri Addiction Awareness Group. For more information about the awareness walks, email [charmon@meramecregion.org](mailto:charmon@meramecregion.org).
   5. **Missouri Substance Use Prevention Conference:** Jamie Myers of Prevention Consultants of Missouri spoke to the upcoming virtual Missouri Substance Use Prevention Conference through the Missouri Prevention Resource Center Network. The conference is scheduled for November 16-17, 2020. Agenda for conference TBD. For more information, email [jamie@preventionconsultants.org](mailto:jamie@preventionconsultants.org).
   6. **PMT reporting period updates:** Jane Johannsen informed the consortium of MRPC’s submission of January 1, 2020 – June 30, 2020 progress report to OJJDP. Next report is due January 30, 2021 for the July 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 reporting period.
   7. **Memorandum of Understanding:** OJJDP approved the FINAL OAYI MOU for the Meramec Region on June 30, 2020, with the following amendments. (1) The advisory entity is not eligible to receive compensation for time and travel for voluntary participation in the planning activities conducted by the consortium. (2) In the event a consortium member serves agencies that project subawards, they will then obtain ex officio status for their consortium involvement. (3) Commitment to at least one committee is requested: advisory, youth engagement, community outreach and support, and data research and program evaluation. A follow up email with the FINAL OAYI MOU with request for signatures by August 15, 2020, was sent by Jane Johannsen.
   8. **DRAFT Strategic Plan:** Jane Johannsen reviewed the DRAFT Strategic Plan with the consortium. This draft includes the Mission and Vision statement as voted by the consortium. MRPC’s technical assistance provider, IIR, requested the submission of the draft by July 30, 2020. The final version will be submitted to IIR and OJJDP by August 28, 2020.

**Next Steps:**

1. **Strategic Plan approvals:** Jane Johannsen submitted the draft strategic plan to IIR on July 30, 2020. IIR provided feedback for revision, which was presented to the MRPC Planning Committee on August 13, 2020 and to the OAYI Consortium on August 21, 2020. The final version will be submitted to IIR/OJJDP August 28, 2020.

**Additional Comments or Questions:** Linda Kozlowski of the Phelps Maries Health Department updated the consortium on health department Covid-19 advice concerning public activities. For more information, email [linda.kozlowski@phelpscounty.org](mailto:linda.kozlowski@phelpscounty.org).

**Next Meeting:** August 21, 2020 at 2:30 PM via Zoom

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.