

Public Health Council of the Upper Valley

Partner Meeting

October 20, 2023

See list of attendees at the end of the notes.

Agenda:

9:00 am – Welcome

9:05 am – PHC Updates

- Now in the process of submitting town funding requests for upcoming year, this income covers nearly 25% of the operational budget
 - If anyone is interested in helping with petition drives or have ideas, please contact Alice
 - 10/28 at Take Back Day in White River Junction Co-op might be a location
- Part of the strategic plan has been to increase the ability to support student interns in the region
 - If you know of organizations that need interns but do not have the organizational capacity to host them, please reach out to Alice
 - At DHMC Community Health, we often have this need and have partnered with PHC in the past and it has been effective
- As a reminder, November 17th will be the Annual Meeting
 - Please register prior (Alice will send an email with a registration link shortly)
- We are halfway through this year of Community Flu Clinics
 - We have provided at least 750 vaccines so far
 - Opportunity for people 10+ to receive this flu vaccine for free
 - Saturday the 21st will be at Orford Congregational Church 10-1 pm
 - Friday the 27th will be at the Mascoma Community Health Center 4-7 pm
 - Saturday the 28th will be at the Windsor Welcome Center 10-1 pm
- Planning another bi-state legislative event
 - November 6th at Dwinell Room on APD campus (by invitation on) 8:30-11:30 am
 - Focus of this event is workforce and how the following three topics impacts the ability to address the workforce crisis:
 - Housing (Andrew Winter and Clay Adams panelists)
 - Childcare (Shawn Mullholland and Joanne Roberts panelists)
 - Healthcare workforce pipeline and retention issues (AHEC and Vermont AHEC panelists)
 - Add Peter, Ella, Brett to invitation list
- Asked for feedback on meeting format for 2024
 - People advocated for hybrid format
 - Like bringing the CHIP back to each meeting
 - Have presentations first and then end with introductions and partner updates

9:20 am – TLC Recovery Center, Dan Wargo, Program Manager (slides available)

- TLC started in Claremont and has expanded to Lebanon recently
- Drop-in area is for people utilizing the services
- Most staff have their CRSW
- Resource Navigation: someone is available during drop-in hours to help navigate resources
- Evidence-based programming during staff facilitated groups
- Lebanon site opened last week for soft opening
 - Grand opening will be December 7th
 - Please talk to Dan if you'd like to be on the invitation list

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- Question about funding and sustainability:
 - Initial funding to launch the Center was provided through the Opioid Abatement Grant through NH DHHS.
 - This will provide sustainability for a few years
 - Able to reimburse through Medicaid
 - Also supported through state of NH
- Located near the Lebanon Green
 - Accessible by the bus line
- Tri-County Cap is an organization to connect with
 - Rebecca and Dan will connect

10:20 am – Partner Sharing & Discussion

- Good Neighbor Health Clinic's Lebanon location has several subspecialties
 - Call WRJ location for hours
 - Can serve people who are underinsured and not insured
- Families Flourish Northeast will have a 14-bed facility for pregnant and parenting moms seeking recovery on APD campus Homestead building in the future
- Divided Sky Foundation: purchased a location in Ludlow, VT with the hopes of being a treatment program. Have since backed away to be long-term supportive recovery housing
 - Hoping to open their doors on October 28th
 - They may come to talk about their services in the future
- APD has sandwich boards to give away- Alice will find out how any are available, contact her if you are interested in any
- City of Lebanon approved the purchase of 160 Mechanic Street (old High Meadow builders) to turn into a winter overnight shelter only
 - Slated to open in mid December
 - Run by the Haven- just posted a job opening for shelter staff
 - 12 beds will be permanent with the ability to move 3 beds (15 total)
 - Dinner and breakfast will be served
 - Washer, dryer, shower will be available
 - Directly on the bus line
 - Will be connected with social services
- Project started in New London area around social connectedness in partnership with Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners
- DHMC Community Health:
 - DHMC Community Health have received six grant awards over the past few months to cover a variety of topics
 - In the process of designing the tools for the CHNA for the way we engage with community members
 - National Prescription Drug Take Back Day in October 28th. Local police departments are participating. ALL Together and Lebanon PD will be tabling at Hannaford in W Lebanon from 10-2 pm
 - Holding a Getting to Y training to engage youth in prevention work
 - UV and GSCPHN's partnering with New Hampshire Charitable Foundation and New Futures to hold a Youth Advocacy event next Friday

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- On November 7th, Community Health is offering a Vaping 101 presentation to Mascoma community in partnership with Valley Court Diversion
- ALL Together and GSCPHN holding a NAMI NH Connect Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper training virtually on 11/8 from 9-11
- ALL Together Partners meeting is October 25th at 2 pm, hybrid
- PHC has committee spots open
- Hartford Restorative Justice Center
 - House a number of people and bought a building
 - 3 units that can hold 6 people- finishing upgrading the building
 - Planning to add on a gathering room and 2-3 studios
 - Give supportive services (do not have to be in the system) to people in public housing

Next Meeting:

Friday, November 17, 2023, 8:30 to 11:00 am

PHC Annual Meeting with light breakfast

Location: Dwinell Room, Harvest Hill, Lebanon

PHC Partner Meeting, October 20, 2023

Attendees:

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| Boyle | Bill | PHC Advisory Council |
| Desilets | Rebecca | City of Lebanon |
| Farnsworth | Barbara | DHMC |
| Harper-Schiehl | Ella | The Dartmouth Institute |
| Mason | Peter | Headrest |
| Mayfield | Brett | PHC Board |
| Schafer | Connor | Upper Valley Haven |
| Smith | Andrea | DHMC |
| Wargo | Dan | TLC Recovery Center |

BOLD = Panelist/Speaker