

Frederick County – Opioid Misuse Prevention Program Coalition Meeting

9/27/2018 9:00 AM | FCHD - CORE Conference Room

Meeting called by	Todd Crum, FCHD	Attendees Present: Kathy Manwiller (FCC), Tom Werner (Citizen), Sgt. Reed Preece (FPD), Mark Burack (FPD), Sgt. Ed Witanowski (MSP), Jessica Ellis (FCHD), Victoria Wright-Elliott (FCHD), Pamela Knight (Recovery Advocate), Todd Crum (FCHD)
Type of meeting	OMPP Coalition Meeting	
Facilitator	Todd Crum, FCHD	
Note taker	[Note taker]	

Agenda Items

Topic	Presenter	Time allotted
<input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Remarks and Introductions	Todd Crum / All	5 minutes
<input type="checkbox"/> OMPP Updates	Todd Crum	5 minutes
<input type="checkbox"/> FY2019 OMPP Strategies and Activities	Todd Crum	10 minutes
<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Take Back Day	All	15 minutes
<input type="checkbox"/> Round Robin	All	25 minutes
<input type="checkbox"/> Next Meeting Date	Todd Crum	1 minute
<input type="checkbox"/> Adjourn	All	1 minute

Other Information

Welcome Remarks and Introductions: Welcome remarks were offered by Todd Crum and attendees introduced themselves to the other coalition members.

OMPP Updates: The FCHD continues to recruit for the OMPP Coordinator vacancy. Until the vacancy is filled, Todd Crum, Prevention Program Administrator with the FCHD, will serve as the temporary coordinator for the OMPP.

FY2019 OMPP Strategies and Activities: Todd Crum shared with the coalition members a summary of the FY2019 OMPP Strategic Plan and Prevention Strategies. The program will continue to address the “lack of knowledge/use of safe (medicine storage and (medicine) disposal methods” through the promotion of DEA-sponsored “Drug Take Back Days”, two additional community-based “Drug Take Back” efforts, and continued pharmacy outreach and education. The “low perceived risk of the danger of prescription opioids” will be addressed through increased community outreach to parents and young adults through an educational social marketing campaign.

Drug Take Back Day: The next DEA-sponsored “Drug Take Back Day” is scheduled for Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 10AM until 2PM. Maryland State Police, Department of Natural Resources and the Frederick Police Department will host drug collection locations at the MSP – Frederick Barracks, Echo Lake, and Wegman’s Parking Lot respectively. A “Syringe Disposal Day” effort will be facilitated by the FCHD at the Wegman’s Parking Lot location only during the hours of 10AM through 2PM.

Round Robin:

FCHD – The Syringe Services Program (SSP) had a soft launch on August 31, 2018 at the FCHD. Offered every Friday morning from 9AM until 12Noon, the SSP offers sterile needles and syringes, safe disposal containers, education about safe injection practices, HIV and HCV education, testing and linkage to treatment, overdose prevention education, overdose response training and naloxone kits, Fentanyl testing strips and linkages to medical, mental health, social services and substance use treatment.

FPD – Sgt. Preece shared that the drug disposal box at the FPD is coming back. It is expected to be installed soon. The FPD participated in a Drug Presentation at St. John's Catholic School on 9-27-2018 and continues to perform them across various locations in the City throughout the year in an attempt to educate the public. Detectives are actively investigating overdose cases to target dealers and get victims linked up with a peer recovery specialist. Overdose trends appear to be most prevalent for white males between the ages of 21 and 40. This year, FPD has seen 109 overdoses (18 fatal). There have been no overdose fatalities reported for persons 18 years old or younger. Spice use is “on par” with last years’ figures. FPD has seen cases of Spice being “cut” with rat poison, an anti-coagulant.

Pam Knight – continues to spread hope among those she is working with. Pam reports seeing “a lot of acid” and individuals are presenting as psychotic. Individuals are also report the abuse of Imodium.

MSP – Sgt. Witanowski reported 63 fatal overdoses in the Western Maryland region in 2018 thus far. Continuing to work on 3rd quarter stats for Western Maryland reporting and Frederick County. MSP is actively interviewing individuals to obtain as much information as possible.

Tom Werner – shared that his focus is prevention and education. In addition to the education, work is needed to “stop the influx”. Tom is working with “Mentor Foundation USA” to incorporate their programming into 4 high schools in Anne Arundel County. The goal is to expand the program throughout Maryland next year.

FCC – Kathy Manwiller reported that FCC is gearing up for their National Collegiate Drug and Alcohol Awareness Fair on Thursday, October 18, 2018 in the Student Center at Frederick Community College from 10am -1pm. The health fair will be set up in the dining area of the student center.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, November 15, 2018 @9:30AM in the FCHD CORE Conference Room

Additional Notes: