

# Frederick County – Opioid Misuse Prevention Program Coalition Meeting

1/17/2019 9:30 AM | FCHD - CORE Conference Room

Meeting called by	Todd Crum, FCHD	Attendees Present: Tom Werner (citizen), Mark Burack (FPD), Sgt. Ed Witanowski (MSP), Sgt. Reed Preece (FPD), Pamela Knight, Marge Rosensweig (Evaluator), D. Sgt. Scott Robertson (MSP), DFC Michael Davies (FCSO), Cpl. Jonathon Schultz (FPD), Pastor Jonathon Switzer (citizen), Santita Prather (FCHD), 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"/> Review of FY2019 OMPP Strategies and Activities	Todd Crum	10 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 OPP Program of the FCHD continues to seek and hire a program coordinator for the OMPP Program.

**Review of FY2019 OMPP Strategies and Activities:**

A review of the FY2019 OMPP Strategies and Activities included:

- One of two “Drug Take Back Day” events was conducted on October 27, 2018 and collected 975 pounds of meds. The next event is expected in late April 2019. The OMPP continues to seek 2 alternative “Drug Take Back Day” locations before June 30, 2019.
- Dissemination of safe storage, monitoring and disposal messaging and messages about the risks of prescription drug misuse continues through the “Stay In The Know” social media campaign. The project is done in partnership with our marketing firm, Channel Communication.
- Pharmacies received information about “Drug Take Back Day” via a fax blast from the FCHD. We are seeking volunteers to help with pharmacy visits prior to the next “Drug Take Back Day” event.
- The Prevention Coordinator continues to participate in and promote harm reduction activities and overdose response efforts.

## Round Robin:

- **Syringe Services Program (SSP):** Todd shared a message from the Syringe Services Program (SSP) and stated that the program is now up and operating - providing services Fridays 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the FCHD. Services include distribution of sterile syringes, other injection equipment, fentanyl test strips, naloxone and overdose response and prevention education, safe sex supplies, rapid HIV and Hepatitis C testing and linkages to care and community supports. Folks are encouraged to contact Jessica Ellis at [JEllis@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:JEllis@FrederickCountyMD.gov) with questions or for more information.
- **Mark Burack (FPD):** Mark shared stats from the 2018 Heroin Coordinator Report.
- **LAA/Peer Recovery:** Santita shared that the State Opioid Response (SOR) RFP was released and is looking to expand recovery housing for young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 with an opioid use disorder. The goal of the SOR is to expand the number of credentialed recovery houses to support 160 adults and 8-12 young adults. The grant period is September 30, 2018 through September 29, 2020. The FCHD will conduct risk assessments of potential housing programs. The STOP grant is due tomorrow.
- **Tom Werner:** Tom stated that behavioral health was selected as one of the three health priorities identified at the Priority Setting Summit held on Tuesday, January 15, 2018. Steve Schuh has taken the place of Clay Stamp at the Opioid Operational Command Center. Tom also mentioned the need for school and medical provider attendance on the OMPP Coalition. Tom also mentioned that he is working with a group who is currently conducting peer-peer mentoring/messaging efforts in Anne Arundel County. The organization sponsoring the program is looking to expand their services throughout the state.
- **Sgt. Preece (FPD):** The FPD is out locking up dealers. They also focus on public outreach and are providing educational presentations in various schools in the city.
- **Pastor Switzer:** Pastor is interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities to provide outreach to the pharmacists. Pastor Switzer stated that he is working with a group of congregations and offering various levels of training for congregation members to provide support for individuals and families in need of recovery services / support.
- **Sgt. Witanowski (MSP):** Sgt. Witanowski shared the 2018 Western Maryland Drug Overdose Report from MSP. The report compiles data from Garrett, Allegany, Washington and Frederick County. Garrett County seems to be experiencing a methamphetamine crisis. MSP is also trying to find funding to hire a Heroin Coordinator for Washington and Frederick County.
- **Pamela Knight:** Pamela stated that "education is key". Pamela conducted presentations in Walkersville and, while it might take a while for them to start, teens start talking about the issues. Pamela states that cocaine is on the rise as is "dabs" with younger kids.
- **D. Sgt. Scott Robertson (MSP):** Education is key. Need for more and greater messaging targeting teens and youth. Greater messaging to include greater impact of use with strong messages/images.
- **DFC Michael Davies (FCSO):** Looking to expand drug take back efforts into more communities. More work is needed to educate realtors / homeowners hosting "open houses" to make sure to hide valuables and prescriptions.

**Next Meeting Date:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 @9:30AM in the FCHD CORE Conference Room

**Additional Notes:**