

FREDERICK COUNTY Substance Exposed Newborn Group
01/24/2019
MEETING MINUTES
Frederick County Health Department
Frederick, MD 21702
Meeting Begins at 2:30pm
Admin conference room

Present: Margaret Manning, Mayrel Brynjelsen, Susan Muchemi, Kerri Griffin, Miriam Dobson, Felicia Brinson, Terri Brown, Jessica Chausky, Courtney Burgan, Nancy Bellon

I. Welcome and Introduction of new members

- a. All members introduced themselves and new members welcomed

II. SEN updates

- a. LHIP: choose top 10 topics that included ACEs and infant mortality, behavioral and mental health, and chronic conditions.
- b. Stigma training tool: Ask Peter Brehn to share power point to be used for training tool that can be used by physicians/staff to assist with talking points to initiate the conversation regarding substance use/abuse with pregnant clients. SEN team agreed that the training should be provided to the Pediatric/OB physicians OB at FMH and will have SEN Representative from FMH follow up with schedule. CWC representative could play presentation in the waiting room.
- OB &GYN center – Terri follow up
 - Doctors CME day - Follow up with FMH

- III. Harm reduction update: syringe exchange program Friday 9-12 available to public. HIV about 100-130 people served, 2+ people linked to services. Hepatitis C testing within 2 months (50-60) people tested, 5 positive and were linked to care. Recovery houses offer overdose, syringe services. Jessica E – hired 2 peers working with SES. Syringe sharing services program has been very positive even though there was not much advertising. There are two coordinators for this program and they also have a on the go van. Van transports SES and supplies. Spend an average of 25 minutes a person.

- IV. Miriam Dobson mentioned a manual on how to have a conversation/ screening with a patient and added that Carroll County uses the same model. Jessica will follow up on business card size “Stigma Language” cards. MHA has a walk-in program and that there a RNP to get people diagnosed.

V. Roundtable

- Community clean up events next on in March (date?)
- Possibility of having a copy of the “Heroin’s Grip” documentary to share with the group – Terri follow
- A book called Dope Sick was also recommended.

VI. Adjourn

Next meeting: March 28th, 2019**Health Department’s CORE conference room

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