Opioid Steering Committee

February 13, 2024, 1:00-3:00 – Hybrid

Department of Health and Human Services

CFS- Conference Room P

5220 S 16th Street

Lincoln NE

1. **Welcome**: Trina Janis opened the meeting at 1:01pm. Janis welcomed those attending in person and via Teams.
2. **Blueprint Draft**: The blueprint was reviewed, and the following modifications were suggested.

* Adding page numbers.
* *About Region V Systems’ Opioid Steering Committee* - Framework/Add positions within the blueprint so OSC is covering the different sectors. When there is a vacancy, they know where coverage is needed.
* Nothing needs to be added regarding the open meetings act. OSC meetings are not governed by the open meetings act since they only make recommendations, which are then approved by the Regional Governing Board.
* Data section –
  + Provide link(s) that takes you to a live dashboard for the most up-to-date data.
  + Put in a formal data request to the department for the PDMP and prescribing rates to add another layer to the data element. (fee)
  + CHI Health St. Mary’s (Nebraska City) joined opioid bio surveillance (Davidson) to give more insight as they test for 24 things.
  + The State Firefighters Association Opioid grant could possibly provide data.
  + Request data from Stop OD Nebraska (county level).
  + Seizure data from State Patrol.
  + How many people currently accessing MOUD in Nebraska.
  + EMS Opioid Overdose 5-year Surveillance Report – DHHS <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Reports/EMS%20Opioid%20Overdose%20Five-Year%20Surveillance%20Report%202017-2022.pdf#search=tim%20wilson%20narcan>

1. **Opioid Funding**:

Provide initial amounts then include a link to access the most accurate payment amounts.

Using the programs presented in the blueprint, committee members are asked to prioritize the strategies in their area and the amount of money to be spent in that section. Some thought that the strategies were too broad and that we needed to prioritize the strategies using the data that Region V Systems already has to identify needs and gaps in services.

Someone suggested that it may be more productive if they could have each committee member represent the subgroup that pertains most to what they do. They see what is happening and what the needs are in their specialty areas.

This will be further discussed at the March Summit.

1. **Obvious Expenditure**- Amy Holman- Narcan and Harm Reduction Vending Machine – Amy provided more information about cost of the vending machine, upkeep, software, cost of product to stock it, etc. More discussion was held as to where they would be located, as well as other options to get the Narcan into the hands of people in need. She will lay out what a 2-year pilot program would look like and bring it to the next meeting for further discussion.

***Meeting Adjourned***

The following items were not covered in today’s meeting due to time constraints:

**Request for Obvious Expenditure- Sandy Morrissey- Med Safe Inlays, DeTerra, MYLNK**

**Hybrid Discussion**

Region V Systems Opioid Settlement Funds Summit-

* 1. March 19-20, 2024 – Wilderness Ridge Country Club (1800 Wilderness Woods Place, Lincoln, NE 68512)

**Next Meeting:** March 12th – 1:00-3:00 p.m. Location Center Pointe

**Next Steps-**

Prepare for and Review Tasks for Summit

Review Funding Matrix