



**Substance Misuse and Mental Health Alliance
Referral and Treatment Task Force
Meeting Minutes – February 27, 2019
10:00-11:00 AM
Abrams Public Health Center Room 1106**

In Attendance

Audrey Fimbres, Tucson Medical Center
Chris Wildblood, Tucson Police Department
Lina Trujillo, Arizona Complete Health
Miranda Gali, La Frontera

Nicholas Cogdall, Pima County Health Department
Rachel Cummings, Pima County Health Department
Raul Munoz, Pima County Health Department
Steve Lee, CODAC

Welcome and Introductions

Raul Munoz, Pima County Health Department, welcomed everyone in attendance and a round table of introductions was completed.

Pima Helpline Update

Rachel Cummings, Pima County Health Department, provided the group with an update on the Pima Helpline website that the Referral & Treatment group has been contributing to. The website features a map of locations for treatment providers, including a filter for keywords, zip code, and specific categories. Content, including mission and vision, is still being worked on. Pima County Communications also assisted with the development of a logo for the website that reflects the community effort behind the website. Beyond information on treatment options, the Helpline will also include a list of hotlines, drug information, housing resources, and support groups.

The group discussed efforts to develop a log-in for medically assisted treatment facilities to communicate but was ultimately ruled infeasible because of security considerations. Additionally, the group discussed replacing the blog section with a newsfeed to help generate content.

For next steps, the Referral & Treatment action group has been asked to provide additional feedback and input on resources to provide on the Helpline website. As the website gets closer to going live, the action group will be asked to ensure that the listed contact numbers are correct and that the functionality on the website works.

Community Mental Health & Substance Misuse

Raul Munoz, Pima County Health Department, provided an update on the Community Mental Health & Substance Misuse team that incorporates a mental health dimension to the Prescription Drug Overdose Prevention Program. This team will focus on collaborating around the National Institute for Mental Health's (NAMI) efforts related to suicide prevention, mental health first aid for youth and adults, and Health Start services. The group will also continue to work on recognizing gaps in services as part of the ongoing work around opioids in Pima County. The team will meet with a number of community partners including jails, law enforcement, the faith-based community, and care providers.

Updates

The group provided updates on upcoming community events include:

- Arizona Complete Health will be hosting a ZOOM meeting on integrated care for neonatal abstinence syndrome through their ECHO Clinic.
- The group discussed how Arizona Senate Bill 1535, which places restrictions on the square footage and parking for treatment facilities, may impact the provision of services in the state.



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- The Community Health Needs Assessment Document has been completed and will be made available to the public in March.
- Fentanyl has been found in fake benzodiazepine pills by the Tucson Police Department.
- The Pima County Health Department has recently hired a new epidemiologist who can provide support to data analysis efforts related to substance misuse.

Next Task Force Meeting

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Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Time: 10-11 am

Location: Abrams Public Health Center (3950 S. Country Club Rd, Tucson, AZ 85714)

Room: 1106

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