

Healthy St. Mary's Partnership  
Behavioral Health Action Team  
July 12, 2019 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.  
St. Mary's County Health Department

## Minutes

- 1. Attendance:** Nat Scroggins – Minority Outreach Coalition (MOC), Dee Rathbone – National Institute for Citizen Anti-Drug Policy (NICAP), Greg Reuss – American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), Chris Shea – St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD), Brenda Payne – SMCHD, Lori Werrell – MedStar St. Mary's Hospital (MSMH), Mary Flood – Local Care Team (LCT), Stephanie Scharmen – SMCHD, Ashley Milcetic – SMCHD, Amy Young – MCF, Marina Fulcher – Summer Public Health Academy, Christine Shatrowsky - Summer Public Health Academy, Jacque Heaney – SMCHD
  
- 2. Objectives & Goals for 2019 Team Priorities**
  - a. ED Utilization for Behavioral Health**
    - i. Tammy reached out to a representative from The Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (PAARI) that worked with Anne Arundel County as they were developing their Crisis Team and Safe Stations Model. We are looking to schedule a webcast with them for the beginning of September. The team discussed some of the aspects of Anne Arundel's model, including looping their connector entity in to help with health insurance enrollment when needed and their system for knowing where beds are available in the state.
    - ii. Lori updated that MSMH is the next hospital in line to get SBIRT and Peer Recovery Coaches in the Emergency Department. They are going to start planning in the fall and hopefully launch the program in the beginning of 2020.
    - iii. Jacque provided copies of the final [Network of Care flyer](#) for distribution to the community. Please share within your organizations as well as with the community and on social media.
  
  - b. Youth Mentoring**
    - i. Marina and Christine are part of the summer intern team working on the youth mentoring needs assessment. They are currently collecting responses to a parent survey, conducting focus groups with middle school-aged youth, and preparing for key informant interviews with youth mentoring program leaders.
    - ii. The Youth Mentoring Round Table is scheduled for August 29 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. at the Lexington Park Library. Jacque provided a draft Eventbrite for the team to approve as well as a list of known youth mentoring organizations and their contact information for updates by the team. [These organizations](#) will be contacted directly to invite them to the Round Table – if you have updated contact info for any organizations on the list please email [Jacque](#). Jacque will finalize the Eventbrite and have a press release go out for the event.



### 3. Partner Updates

- a. [PABA](#) will have their next meeting on Wednesday, July 17 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Real Life Church in Mechanicsville. The guest speaker for this meeting is Debbie Flerlage, LCPC.
- b. Amy is hosting an event on August 29 at the Charlotte Hall Library for grandparents raising their grandchildren. If you or someone from your organization are interested in speaking at this event please email [Amy](#).
- c. Dee shared a letter to the editor which he wrote in 2014 on random student drug testing, an article he wrote in 1989 on civil liberties' impact upon America's drug problem, and research on the connection between marijuana and violence.
- d. Greg debriefed on the Maryland Violence and Injury Prevention Forum which took place on June 27 in Waldorf.
- e. The Community Alcohol Coalition is utilizing grant funding to hire a consultant to build community engagement.
- f. On June 29, HSMP and MedStar St. Mary's were recognized by the MDH Office of Minority Health & Health Disparities for their partnership with the Minority Outreach Coalition.
- g. The NAACP [Back to School Fair](#) will be on August 10 at Lexington Park Elementary School from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. They will also be having a Back to School event at St. Mary's Caring on August 29.
- h. Mary and Stephanie recently had a great experience attending a Conscious Discipline training with the school system.
- i. The St. Mary's County Teen Court hosted a [Volunteer Recognition Banquet](#) on June 27.
- j. Lori has taken on a new role as the Regional Director for Population and Community Health at MedStar St. Mary's and MedStar Southern Maryland.
- k. [Registration](#) is now open for the 2019 HSMP Annual Meeting!
- l. Walden released a [letter](#) about the sunset of their 24/7 crisis hotline as well as a [one-pager](#) of crisis and call center numbers for specific purposes.
- m. The Tobacco Free Living Action Team is hosting a Tobacco 21 Town Hall on August 26 at the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds.
- n. Calvert County Health Department and CalvertHealth are offering a [CME/CEU event](#) on addressing and managing pediatric mental health in primary care on October 12.
- o. Center for Children has a new adolescent substance abuse counselor.

### 4. Communications

- a. Share events and news with HSMP partners through the HSMP Newsletter, calendar & social media outlets! Submit information at: <http://healthystmarys.com/newsletter/> or email [stmaryspartnership@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryspartnership@gmail.com)

### 5. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. **BHAT:** August 9, 2019 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. at the St. Mary's County Health Department
- b. **2019 Healthy St. Mary's Partnership Annual Meeting:** September 19, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center.

