

Healthy St. Mary's Partnership
Behavioral Health Action Team
February 14, 2020 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
St. Mary's County Health Department

Minutes

- 1. Attendance:** Maryellen Kraese – St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD), Greg Reuss – American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), Kasey Memphis – SMCHD, Sawn Sisk – Pathways, Nat Scroggins – Minority Outreach Coalition (MOC), Barbara O'Neil – The Mimssion/Trinity/On Our Own St. Mary's (OOOSMC), Ed Evans – St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office (SMCSO), Wade Pratt – SMCSO, Gloria Smith – Gloria's Gifts, Inc., Laura Grassinger – St. Mary's County Public Schools (SMCPS), Carolyn Cullison – OOOSMC, Alexis Higdon – SMCSO, Dee Rathbone – National Institute of Citizen Anti-drug Policy (NICAP), Stephanie Scharmen – SMCHD, Sarah Underwood – PFLAG Leonardtown, Stephanie Freeman – SMCHD, Jenna Guzman – SMCHD, Jessika Hall – SMCHD, Morgan Wyman – Pathways, Jessica Jolly – Pyramid Walden, Patrick Mattix – Project Chesapeake, Tanya Hurst – SMCHD, Jamie Kane – SMCHD, Kelly Jay – Project Chesapeake, Amy Young – Maryland Coalition of Families (MCF), Amy Higgins – SMCHD, Christina Gabriel – Pyramid Walden, Karen Carloni – Southern Maryland Community Network (SMCN), Ashley Milcetic – SMCHD, Chris Shea – SMCHD, Kathy Donigan- LCSW-C private practice, Jacquie Heaney – SMCHD, Qwen Kendle – U.S. Census Bureau
- 2. 2020 Census Presentation**
 - a. Qwen presented information on the [2020 Census](#) and provided flyers for distribution in the community. The US Census Bureau is spreading the word that the 2020 Census is important, easy, and safe. The following resources can be used for information on the 2020 Census and for social media messaging.
 - i. [Maryland Census 2020](#)
 - ii. [US Census 2020](#)
 - iii. [2020 Census Press Kits](#)
- 3. Team Priorities for 2020**
 - a. **Mental Health Court**
 - i. Greg shared with the team an [Executive Summary and FAQs](#) on Montgomery County's Mental Health Court that he found. If you are interested in being part of a subcommittee that looks more into the data/information gathering for this priority please contact Jacquie.
 - b. **Mobile Crisis Team**
 - i. There is a team at the health department that has been doing research on potential models. They will work to develop a one pager of information for the March meeting.
 - c. **Youth Mentoring**
 - i. The first event in this year's Youth Mentoring Series was on Tuesday. The event featured guest speakers from The New Roots Program thanks to Jameika's suggestion at the December BHAT meeting. After the guest speakers Maryellen and Jacquie promoted the Botvin training, asked programs to register through



Mentoring Connector, and advertised Maryland Mentor's technical assistance opportunity. The next event in the series will be on May 12.

4. Provider Spotlight – Project Chesapeake

- a. [Patrick Mattix](#) presented on Project Chesapeake's services and programs including their Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program. You can learn more about Project Chesapeake [here](#).
- b. The Provider Spotlight for March will be Pyramid Walden.

5. Strong Beginnings Program

- a. [Ashley Milcetic](#) presented on the new Strong Beginnings Program at SMCHD. You can learn more about the program [here](#).

6. Partner Updates

- a. Maryland Coalition of Families is having their 20th Annual [Family Day in Annapolis](#) on Thursday, February 27.
- b. Mary Flood will be out of the office for a few days next week, so please send all referrals for the local care team directly to Kelsey.
- c. The Tri-County Continuum of Care Subcommittee is looking for someone with a clinical perspective to join the team.
- d. Southern Maryland Community Network & NAS-MD are hosting a [Social Work CEU & Networking Event](#) on April 24.
- e. Southern Maryland Community Network is hosting a [Top Golf Tournament](#) on May 3.
- f. A full listing of all SMCHD events including Mental Health first Aid trainings, Quit Tobacco classes, and more can be found [here](#).
- g. The Unified Committee for Afro-American Contributions and Minority Outreach Coalition are hosting a Unity Tea & Women's Empowerment Event on Sunday, March 22. Contact [Nat](#) for more information or to purchase a ticket.
- h. Pathways has spaces open in their Transitional Age Youth program. Learn more [here](#).
- i. SMCPSS is hosting a Mental Health Awareness Day event on May 9 at the tech center.
- j. AFSP is hosting the [Maryland Paws for Prevention Walk](#) on May 9.
- k. Wade is the new Heroin Coordinator at the Sheriff's Office.
- l. Sheriff's Office Dispatchers, Animal Control, and some State Troopers are participating in Mental Health First Aid Training. This training will now be included in their onboarding process.

7. 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

8. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. **BHAT:** March 13, 2020 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. at the St. Mary's County Health Department

