



# Behavioral Health Action Team Meeting

Friday, August 20, 2021

# Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Health Equity
3. Youth & Geriatric Mental Health
4. Telehealth Access
5. Partner Spotlight - SMCN
6. Partner Updates

# Attendance

- Maryellen Kraese - St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD)
- Kelly Jay - Project Chesapeake
- Michelle Turkaly - SMCHD
- Rachel Solomon - Pathways
- Brea Butler-Estep - Southern Maryland Community Network (SMCN)
- Johnn Cave - SMCHD
- Lori Werrell - MedStar St. Mary's Hospital
- Abena Boakye - SMCHD
- Kristin Voto - SMCHD
- Michael Blackwell - St. Mary's County Library
- Megan Hildenberg - Community Member
- Japan Bhalja - SMCHD
- Gregory Jones - St. Mary's County Teen Court
- Jess Jolly - Pyramid-Walden
- Ashley Milcetic - SMCHD
- Amanda Leal - Serenity Place
- Carolyn Cullison - On Our Own
- Robin Schrader - St. Mary's County Public Schools
- Maria Reynolds - SMCHD
- Janiece Frederick - SMCN
- Jeneil Jones - Serenity Place

# Health Equity

- Updates from SMCHD Health Equity team on their survey and follow up in disparately impacted communities in Lexington Park? Common themes/needs from community members?
  - Public referral link coming soon
  - Would like to gather together brochures/supplies for their follow ups
    - Can drop off at SMCHD (attn: Suha Ansari) or can reach out to Suha to schedule pick-up of materials, can also print from pdf

# Youth & Geriatric Mental Health

- Subcommittee Members: Greg Jones, Maryellen Kraese, Carolyn Cullison, Linda Morrell, Kelly Richards, Robin Schrader
- Asset Map & Gap Analysis Project
  - Continuing to work to add services to the map and develop a narrative identifying gaps/needs.
- Anyone with qualitative data on needs/gaps in geriatric and youth mental health care in St. Mary's?
- Review list of services
  - Anything missing please send to [stmaryspartnership@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryspartnership@gmail.com)

# Telehealth Access

- Subcommittee Members: Kristen Cox, Jess Jolly, Maryellen Kraese, Wade Pratt
- Telehealth Access Point Project
  - Interest/Capacity Assessment [Survey](#)
    - Please push out to organizations!
  - Team is meeting on August 31 to discuss at equipment vendors.
  - Potential pilot locations: Lexington Park Library, Pyramid, Charlotte Hall Library

# Partner Spotlight - Southern Maryland Community Network

View SMCN's presentation [here!](#)



# Partner Updates

- Southern Maryland Community Network: Openings in adolescent program ages 5-17.
- Robin is offering BH/mental health support with 9 BH providers, and all staff in all secondary schools. Looking at grant for 4-5 social workers at elementary level.
- Pathways' Day program and brain injury programs are open.
- Michael Blackwell will check in with telehealth access in Charlotte Hall and Lexington Park libraries.
- Kristin Voto-Can take adults 18+ for SOAR program.
- Project Chesapeake now has three level 3.5 inpatient facilities open.
- Pyramid Walden's Outpatient and residential gambling programs are open--referral through 1-800-GAMBLER.
- SMCN - All programs are accepting
- Teen Court has their first in person court session this week. Connected with teen court program in Texas and Robin for more outreach and program offerings.
- Overdose prevention day is August 31. There will be an event from 4-6 PM on August 31 at the Harm Reduction Office in Lexington Park.
- September is Recovery Month.
- Brea Butler-Supported employment is accepting referrals
- Maryland Coalition of Families shared resources -[HOPE trailer](#) designed as substance users bedroom/bathroom as a educational tool. Maryland New Directions is a Baltimore based non profit that provide patients coming out of treatment with job training, employment.
- Register [here](#) for the 2021 HSMP Annual Meeting on September 30!
  - There will be a virtual Exhibit Hall during the HSMP Annual Meeting. Sign up for a "table" [here](#).

# Partner Updates

- Serenity Place-Operating on a waitlist. Has 18 clinicians, looking to hire more, staff participating in trainings to offer more services. Looking at restarting groups in Fall, Co Parenting and Neurodivergence groups.
- Maryellen-Outreach at farmers market twice a month. Back to school event this Sunday at Dorsey Park with Compassionate Hearts Family Resources Network. Sep 8-10 AM  
Naloxone, HR materials

# Communications

- **Submit event and news updates/information at:**  
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# Upcoming

- Do we want to meet in September? If yes, meeting is September 17.
  - The team voted YES for meeting in September
- HSMP Annual meeting is September 30.
  - <http://healthystmarys.com/hsmpannual2021/>
- If you are interested in presenting on your program/organization at a future meeting please email Maryellen, Greg, or Jacquie.
- Amanda from Serenity Place possibly for next spotlight