

MINUTE RECORD
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (MDHHS)
State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW)

WORKGROUP NAME State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW) Core Team
DATE Wednesday, April 21, 2021
TIME 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
LOCATION Virtual Meeting

CHAIRPERSON Joel Hoepfner
RECORDER Teams System

ATTENDEES **TEAMS:** Ecole Barrow-Brooks, Prashanti Boinapally, Lisa Coleman, Lindsay DeCamp, Seth Eckel, Jane Goerge, Alicia Goodman, David Havens, Joel Hoepfner, Brandon Hool, Janelle Murray, Su Min Oh, Logan O’Neill, Danyle Proctor, Dawn Radzioch, Rachel Rhodes, Sarah Rockhill, Christy Sanborn, Kelsey Schell, Rita Seith, Angie Smith-Butterwick, Paula Vredenburg, Danielle Walsh, Kreg Wager.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

Welcome, Introductions, and Approval of Agenda/Minutes – Joel Hoepfner

- Joel introduced himself and thanked everyone for their attendance and participation. Two new members were recognized; Paula Vredenburg and Lindsay DeCamp.
- Agenda reviewed and approved. If anyone has any items for future agendas, please contact Larry Scott (scottL11@michigan.gov), Angie Smith-Butterwick (smithA8@michigan.gov), Su Min Oh (ohs@michigan.gov), Lisa Coleman (colemanL7@michigan.gov), or Joel Hoepfner at hoepfner@ceicmh.org.
- Minutes of March 17, 2021 were reviewed and approved. Updates or edits e-mail to Su Min Oh. The minutes are also available on the OROSC website at www.michigan.gov/bhrecovery, Prevention, SEOW.

Update on Next Steps/Action Items from previous meeting – Joel Hoepfner

- 2019 overdose deaths analysis in the future meeting - Shared
- Hours of alcohol sale policy brief - Shared
- MODA dashboard presentation – Today

OROSC Updates – Angie Smith-Butterwick for Larry Scott

- **COVID-19 Supplemental Substance Abuse and Mental Health Substance Abuse (SAMHSA) Block Grant Plan** -- Awaiting Approval.
- **Screening Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) Application** – Submitted Monday April 19, 2021 in connection with the Great Lakes Addiction Technology Transfer Center (GLATTC).
- **Pregnant and Parenting Grant** – Awaiting Notification.
- **Prescription Drug and Overdose Grant** - Awaiting Notification.
- **State Opioid Response (SOR) Two (2) Grant Continuation Application** - Awaiting Notification.

Emerging Issues and Trends - Su Min Oh/Group

- **Death Data** – The press release link was sent to everyone on April 15, 2021. The data on the outcomes were shared with the group. A brief summary of the data revealed that compared to 2018, there was a decline in overdose deaths. We are on track to reach our goal of reducing drug overdose deaths of 50 percent by 2024. However, 2020 data increased again, and is incomplete and should be shared by February 2022. The press release mentioned the racial disparities; increase in Blacks and decrease in Caucasian; gender by race indicates that Black males greater confirmed in 2019 data. Joel suggests this would be good as a presentation.
- **Prescription (Rx) Drugs** – *Tabled*

- **Heroin** – *Su Min Oh* – *Tabled*
- **Marijuana Use** – *Lisa Coleman* – *No updates*
- **Tobacco** – *Lisa Coleman* - *No update*
- **Alcohol** – *Mary Franks* - *No updates/movements*
- **Suicide** – *Joel Hoepfner, Group*

Su Min communicates that the provisional data is looking better for 2020 compared to 2019 and the number of suicide deaths is smaller. Both the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), our Vital Records, and Health Statistics Office indicate the same results for 2020. Joel explained the purpose of this suicide topic that is connected to the Data Repository to the new members Lindsay and Paula so they would have a good understanding and encourages them to share. Joel also explained his connection with the *One Voice* movement connected with Kevin’s Song, about suicide prevention association that has put on conferences in the past. *One Voice* is in the process of writing a strategic plan of which Joel is a committee and advisory council member involved in the process of writing that strategic plan and will share. Lindsay shares about a youth program where a request for proposal (RFP) has been opened up for three new grant projects for 60K each for the population of focus 18–24-year-olds; college and universities are not included and will be shared on E-Grams, also shared in the check in chat. Also looking to offer and share some webinars this summer that will cover a variety of topics. She also mentioned the disparities by race as far as suicides are concerned. A request for application for emergency departments to join our network which is focused on suicide prevention headed by the University of Michigan. Joel mentions the desperate need for funding for this initiative. Lindsay and Paula, please share your opportunity information with Su Min Oh and Lisa Coleman.

Joel lets everyone know how this group is the main group to share various activity such as data, training, legislative, among others to pass on to provider networks.

- **Gambling**– *Alia Lucas* – *Tabled*

Partner Updates

- **Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP)** – *Christy Sanborn*
Working remotely until July. Working on writing the Highway Safety Plan for FY 22, planning for FY 23, tracking House Bill 4309 which is the Sunset Provision for .08 due to expire September 30, 2021 which is tie barred to HB 4308, the expungement bill which will impact federal funding back to .10 and the Department of Transportation for about 40M. Just released our newest Impaired Driving Campaign for Marijuana; Drugged to driving on YouTube.com/OHSP, there will be two 15 second and 30 second videos and will run during the summer. There is also a Distracted Driving Campaign going on now. If anyone has anything to share, please contact Christy.
- **Bureau of Epidemiology and Population Health/Division of Communicable Disease/HAI, Infectious Diseases Update** – *Brandon Hool/ Joe Coyle/Seth Eckel/Mary Miller*
Brandon explains his area for the benefit of the new members.
Syringe Service Programs (SSP) Updates – Data Tracking System; Easing of restrictions of federal funding can now be used to purchase fentanyl test strips. We added a section where they can track the number of strips they have handed out, as well as substances tested and behavior changes, among other features. In addition, we have added a Covid-19 vaccines section via SSP. Plan to add exciting new updates in the next fiscal year in partnership with MODA. SSP website added to the chat.
Harm Reduction Summit – This Summit will consist of half day sessions to be held the week of August 23 to August 27, 2021; Save the date will be distributed around May 1, 2021. Fifteen (15) CEs will be offered, and attendance is free.

Hepatitis (HEP) C – April 1, 2021, was the launch of Medicaid’s *We Treat Hep C Initiative* and the Release of *HEP C Elimination Plan*; In 2012 or 2013 direct acting anti-virals which are highly tolerable, quick, all oral medications to cure HEP C with incredible rates, came on to the market but they were extremely expensive, which led payer’s public and private to place restrictions on the medications to balance the budget which reduced access; restrictions covered a variety of conditions, that had to be present that only specialists can prescribe the medications. As a results, more medications have come out and prices have dropped across the board on some, but not all. For the *We Treat Hep C* initiative, Medicaid population restrictions have come off, and for the first time in Michigan Medicaid populations can be served. More information on this HEP C subject was communicated to everyone. For more information, visit [www. Michigan.gov/wetreathepc](http://www.Michigan.gov/wetreathepc), clinical consultation with Henry Ford, an organization out of Wayne State University, and Michigan Medicine and Michigan Opioid Collaborative for individuals experiencing substance use.

➤ **Combined Effort - Bureau of Epidemiology and Population Health/Division of Environmental Health/Environmental Surveillance Section and Bureau of Health and Wellness/Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Control/Injury and Violence Prevention Section, Michigan Overdose: Data to Action (MODA)** – Group, Rita Seith, Tom Largo, Sarah Rockhill, and Gabrielle Stroh-Steiner, Nina Bowser, Jan Fields, Alicia Goodman

Prevention - Continuation Application – Alicia Goodman - working on grant year three, new Emily Godfree, who is part of the CDC foundation and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) and working with the group on overdose fatality review teams, and other teams action plan. Stakeholder meeting taking place on April 28, 2021.

2018 Non-fatal Overdose Report – Rita Seith - reports that the 2018 Non-fatal Overdose Report has been released and is available on the Michigan.gov/Opioid/ under the data tab. Su Min talked about the 2019 Press Release. CDC has updated guidance on Fentanyl test strips and can now use CDC funds on test strips.

MODA Dashboard Demonstration – Rita Seith - A MODA PowerPoint presentation was shared with the group. Rita explained the dashboard, which included various aspects, such as data, key indicators, among others. Depending on the indicator will determine when updates take place. Thank you to all that contributed. Some questions were asked, and answers were given. Rita is available for questions.

Update on Next Steps/Action Items – Joel Hoepfner

Overdose Death Data Analysis – Su Min Oh

Website links shared as needed - All

Adjourned – 2:00 pm

NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 (Tentative)

Time: 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting