BLAIR DRUG AND ALCOHOL PARTNERSHIPS

Empowering Healthy Lifestyles

Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships Advisory Meeting
Location: Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnership Conference Room
January 23, 2025

1. **Welcome and Introductions: Notes starting on page 2-5**
2. **Review of the December 19th 2025 Minutes-pages 10-11**
3. **Addition to the Agenda**
4. **Public Comment on Agenda Items**
5. **Presentation: Youth League Committee presentation**
6. **Partnership Action Items: See Notes**
   Action Item: Lamar
   Action Item: Slate of Officers
7. **Coalition Planning/Committee Reports: See Notes**
8. **Partner Updates: Opportunity for Partners to update**
9. **BDAP Grants and Program Updates: See Notes**
10. **BDAP bi-annual report-July 1 2024-December 31, 2024 pages 6-9**
11. **Other: Next meeting: Thursday, February 20th, 2025**

Thank you for all your support of the organizations and its employees!!

Welcome/Introductions

Review of the Minutes:

Additions to Agenda/Public Comments

Presentation: Youth League Committee

Partnership Action Items:
Requesting approval of the Engage, Empower and Believe Billboards to promote the coalition. This is a $9,000.00 Campaign. The billboard copies are attached to the notes.
Action: Recommendation from the education committee to approve the billboard copies for the engage, empower, believe campaign.

Slate of Officers for 2025 Discussion: It was discussed at the last meeting we are in need of the Chair and second Chair. I was able to reach out to some of the members who have been consistent in their attendance at the meeting. Ryan Custead has agreed to be considered for the second chair, at time of developing the packet the Chair position was still open. Discuss the chair position at the meeting so a slate can be recommended for approval for the 2025 calendar year.

Chair: Open; First Vice Chair: Brendan Moran; Second Vice Chair: Ryan Custead.
Action Item: Recommendation to approve the slate of officers.

Coalition Planning/Committee Reports:
CPDUD- working with Hollidaysburg SADD students to make recordings for TigerTV on driving under the influence of drug and alcohol, distracted driving, and seat belt safety.
Youth League- movie day on February 14th at the Altoona Area Library (Inside Out 2) and talking about different fundraising opportunities.
Education- discussed options for billboard campaigns and the design for each of them, discussing ways to expand our coalition through the education committee.
Rise for Recovery- discussion about changing the logo for Rise for Recovery, establishing a new site for open mic night at Cosmic Charlies, and discussion about winter event.

BDAP Grants and Program Updates
PREP Grant: A new director is being assigned to the Emergency Department in the next month. We are hoping this director will provide some positive direction for this project.
PCCD Re-entry Women's grant: Grant expires on 6/30/2025. We have received a large order of supplies to support the group. We will continue to operate the group with our current resources.
DDAP Crisis Stabilization Grant: Construction to be completed in January 2025. A request to extend the funds till June 30, 2025 was submitted and approved by DDAP. The amendment to the contract has been executed.
PCCD in prison medicated assisted treatment grant: The prison is seeing approximately 20-25 individuals per day for MAT services. We have received the approval of the MAT grant

through June 30, 2025. The amendment to the Prime Care Contract has been executed. No other updates at this time.

Children Youth and Families Discussion: Contract is being forwarded to the commissioners for approval for the Seeking Safety service and Letter of Agreement for the CM services. We will be providing a Intensive Case Manager in their office one day a week to support warm hand off to care.

Recognized Entity for Narcan: Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs has taken over the management of the Narcan distribution from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. We have distributed 984 doses from Jul-Dec 2024

PA Traffic Injury Prevention Project: There was a lot of activity related to this project. We got notified the second week of December that the seats would start to be shipped in the third week of December. It was CRAZY! We had a large box truck with over 200 seats each delivered each day from Dec 17th-20th and 2 box trucks on the 20th. The last shipment was on the 31st. We received 250 infants, 250 convertible's, 250 combinations, 250 high back boosters and 250 boosters. We had them secured everywhere. We started to provide some to partnering agencies and one of their clients posted it on Face Book and we got slammed with phone calls and people showing up. We organized several dates and times we would be distributing them to the community. To date we exhausted the convertible and combination style and have about ½ of each of the other styles. The staff did a great job at rallying to get the trucks unloaded and to support the distribution dates. It was a great way to give back to the community over the holiday season. Everyone was so grateful for the seats and no one took advantage of it by asking for more than what they needed. Our last 2 events were much more organized and we were able to also include some of our prevention information/coalition and information on our services.

Drug Free Communities Grant: We received notification that we were awarded year 6 of the grant. Our amended budget was approved. Brianna Cunningham has accepted the PT position for this grant.

Trauma Informed Organization-We are adding this to our notes to keep the partnership aware of the work we are going to be doing to support our organization environment and staffing to become more trauma informed. I will be sharing our plans as we move forward on this process. We have added this to our manager/supervisor and all staff meeting agendas to start. We have identified a team of approximately 6 people to serve on a quality improvement team to begin our planning around training, facility environment and screening for trauma within the service we offer. We will be doing a survey in the month of January of the staff to get input on planning for this project.

CRAFT: Community Reinforcement and Family Training is an evidence-based intervention that assists family and friends develop effective strategies for helping their loved ones. We have trained 5 staff to offer this education to our family members. It is an open-ended class so a family can start any point they contact our office. We will be offering it on going. We are in the implementation phase of the project. We hope to start our first workshop next month (Feb). There is also a Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Grant we may apply for due 2/28/25 to support funding the workshops starting 7/1/2025. It is a 2-year grant.

BDAP Bi-annual report July 1- December 31 2024-attached in packet

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Case Management Updates

Level of Care Assessments:

Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships receives referrals via Blair County Adult Probation & Parole; Blair County Magisterial District Courts; Blair County Children, Youth, and Families; Pennsylvania Board of Parole; or other out of county agencies; as well as individual community members who self-identified the need for services.

Total Referrals this YTD/Current Month (recommended level of care):

Level of Care	YTD=800	Percentage
Withdrawal Management	20	03%
Inpatient	186	23%
Partial	1	.0001%
Intensive Outpatient	79	10%
Outpatient	404	51%
Early Intervention	61	08%
Mental Health	5	006%
No Treatment	44	06%

Drug and Alcohol Assessment Trends

Fiscal Year	County	MA	Total	In Prison	MA Applications
2016-2017	822	723	1545	123	378
2017-2018	1016	734	1750	132	402
2018-2019	1224	886	2110	187	530
2019-2020	993	652	1645	173	447
2020-2021	985	856	1831	138	319
2021-2022	938	844	1782	137	252
2022-2023	953	827	1780	211	191
2023-2024	904	648	1552	246	298
2024-2025	426	374	800	99	145

Drug of Choice by Age Group

Age	Alcohol	Cannabis	Cocaine	Opioid	Other Psychoactive	Other Stimulant	Sedative, Hypnotic or Anxiolytic
18 & Under	21	102	0	1	1	2	1
19 and Older	293	60	17	167	9	95	8

Mobile Assessments

	YTD=231	Percentage
UPMC Altoona Behavioral Health 3G	44	19%
UPMC Altoona's medical floor	7	.03%
Blair County Prison	99	42%
Altoona Probation office	0	0%
"Other" assessment	0	0%
School assessments	81	35%

ED Certified Recovery Specialist:

	YTD
Total Clients Referred	246
Total Clients Refusing Service & TX	125
Total Clients Accepting Service & TX	58
Total Acceptance Direct TX	34

Intensive Case Management/ Resource Coordination: December 2024

	YTD	Current Month
Total Clients in Service	*429*	224 (40 newly opened this month)
Total Clients Pending Service	*381*	63 (60 newly received this month)

Certified Recovery Specialist/ Peer Support: December 2024

	YTD	Current Month
Total Clients in Service	251	119 (20)
Total Clients Pending Service	77	16 (15)

Hep C/HIV screening/treatment Project:

	YTD
# of patients screen	0
# of patients open in tx	0

Narcan/ Naloxone:
This life-saving medication can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose within minutes by restoring respiration. This medication is offered openly to all community members and at every assessment performed in the office.

Harm Reduction	YTD=849
BDAP Services	15
General Community	609
Community Event/Health Fair	225

Vivitrol Program: Vivitrol is an intramuscular injection to provide medicated assisted treatment to Alcohol Use Disorder and Opioid Use Disorder

	YTD
# of new patients	20
# patients seen	147
# injections given	142

Prevention

The count represents the type/number and schools implementing the curriculum in the school districts.

Curriculum	AASD	BASD	BG	CKSD	HASD	SCSD	TASD	WCSD
TGFD		1						12
PPW								
PTND						6		1
CATCH								
PATHS								
TMTL								
LIFESKILLS		2		1				4
POSITIVE ACTION		2					2	4
SSET							2	
COA	5				1			

Note: The Team has been successful in implementing universal EBP in the schools! Congratulations Team!!

Other BDAP activities/ items:

- Staff attended trainings in; Recreational marijuana, Medical marijuana, Screening & assessment, co-occurring.
- Both case manager supervisors attended resilience & managing vicarious trauma for trauma informed professionals trainings. They also attended the rise of gambling disorder: Significance, assmts & treatment training.
- Director, Assistant director and CM supervisor toured the new and updated Gloria Gates facility.
- SAP and prevention staff were training on positive action for groups in the school.
- BDAP had a staff development half day.
- BDAP got a shipment of 1000 car seats and starting handing them out to the public.

Monthly Meetings: Youth League; SADD; CPDUD; Partnership meeting; DFC and prevention meeting; Inclusion Alliance

Trainings: Positive Action, Screenagers: Addressing vaping, drugs and alcohol in the digital age, Be your own Spielburg- Presentation skills for prevention, SAP training, Navigating the highs and lows: understanding cannabis effect, public health and prevention messaging, Cyber Ethics & Navigating digital boundaries, Ethics and Conflicts of interest.

Info Dissemination: Drunk Driving Awareness (Facebook post),

Presentations: FASD/Current drug trends at FICS (two times); SCMS- SAP maintenance

Other: Children First; Meet the manager-SCA presentation; Meeting with SADD students; Youth League bowling party; Holiday parade; Penn Highlands Community Breakfast

Forensic Services DUI YTD

Highway Safety Classes: Individuals that have been arrested for DUI (1st or 2nd offense within 10 years) are required to attend the state mandated Alcohol Safe Driving School. This 12 ½ hour class is designed to help individuals understand the relationship between the use of alcohol and other drugs and traffic safety.

Classes held YTD: 10 Participants Registered: 219 Participants Attended: 136

Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnership Minutes
Thursday, December 19th, at 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
Location: Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships- 3001 Fairway Dr. Altoona Pa, 16601

Agenda Items	Discussion-Notes	Action Item-Follow up
Welcome and Introductions	**Sign In** **In-Person Non-Voting:** Michelle Childers, Gerald Walker, Donna Gority, Marcee Petrarca, Donna Carter, Judy Rosser **Non-Voting on Zoom:** Ben Eberhart, Joe Bettwy, Eric Fritz **Voting In-Person:** Amy Graham, Kylee Wisor, Clark Sheehe **Voting on Zoom:** Brendan Moran, Josh Hayes **Absent with Notice:** Holly O'Connor, Lynn Thompson Gregory **Absent without Notice:** Tricia Maceno, Ryan Custead	
Review of the Minutes from previous meeting	**Minutes attached**	Clark made the motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Amy seconded the motion. Motion approved by all voting members present.
Additions to Agenda	None	
Public comment on agenda items	None	
Presentation	**DFC Plan for October 2024-September 2025**	Brianna Cunningham, DFC Mobilizer provided details on the workplan for the 2024-2025 DFC grant. She provided the goals and objectives as well as planning that has taken place to support meeting the plan.
Discussion/Action Items for Council:	**Action Item: Quarterly Newsletter** **Action Item: Re-appointment of Tricia Johnson** **Resignation of Natalie Toma** **Annual Meeting: Update on event** -Nice turnout for the event **Slate of Officers for the 2025 calendar year** -Discuss at the February meeting **Discussion on Education Sector/ Community/Aging Community voting members**	**Action Item: Quarterly Newsletter**-Clark made the motion to approve the newsletter. Amy seconded the motion. Motion approved by all voting members present. **Action Item: Re-appointment of Tricia Johnson-**Amy made the motion to approve re-appointment. Clark seconded the motion. Motion approved by all voting members present. *Natalie Toma has taken a new position and is not longer the director for Penn Highland. She regrettable has to resign. *Amy Graham (voting member) announce she would need to step down at the end of her term in March 2024. She has enjoyed her time on the coalition but due to work force issue is unable to make the meetings. Lynn's will be completing her last 3 year term in March. She will not be able to be the chair for the 2025 timeframe. Brendan indicated he could be the vice chair but could not commit to the Chair position. The slate will be discuss at the February meeting. Were is the discussion on this slate of officers????
Committee Reports: Education: CPDUD: Youth League: Rise for Recovery:	**Update on Partnership Sub Committees** "PARTNERSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES" ATTACHED **Upcoming Events-Staff** Rise for Recovery Events: Open Mic-Changed to January 9th, 2025	Notes are attached to the agenda Judy reported that the re-entry grant was extended to 6/30/2025. It has been a successful curriculum and the women at the prison are very engaged and working on the goals of the program.

Grants and BDAP program update:	**Grants and Program updates:** Prep Grant: No Updates Housing Grant: No Updates Re-entry Women's grant: Expires 6/30/2025 Crisis Stabilization Grant: Amended till 6/30/2025 (projected opening March 2025) Medicated Assisted Treatment grant: Extended to June 30, 2024 DUI Sobriety Checkpoint Grant: No Update	The Department of Drug and Alcohol Program has approved the extension of the Crisis stabilization grant to 6/30/2025. The project should be completed in March. The Medicated Assisted Treatment grant was extended to 6/30/2025. The project is going well. Approximately 15-20 inmates are receiving MAT services. We are providing a CBT group to un-sentenced inmates and individual counseling to sentenced individuals.
Partner updates:	**Partner Updates (Staff, Facilities, etc.):** **Opportunity for partners to share**	BDAP-Has car seats available for community to pick up
BDAP and other meeting update	**HOPE Support Group**: Every *Wed: 5:30pm-7:30pm with a ZOOM option.* **SMART Recovery**: *Every Monday at 6:30 pm* **Healing Hearts**: *2nd and 4th Thursday monthly -6pm* **All Recovery Meeting:** *Every Tuesday at 5:30 pm* ***All of the following committees will meet at BDAP unless indicated otherwise:*** Youth League: Tuesday 1/7/2025 @ 2pm CPDUD: Wednesday 1/29/2025 @ 8:30am Rise for Recovery: Wednesday 1/8/2025 @ 2pm Education Committee: Thursday 1/16/2025 @ 1:30pm	HOPE Group will meet on Thursday December 26th and January 2nd.
Next Meeting: Thursday, January 23rd, 2025, at 12:30pm at Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships (Zoom option available)		