

MHADA Board Minutes  
Cape May County  
February 12, 2019

In Attendance:

Tom Maletto	Judy Kunec	Greg Speed	Sueanne Agger
Katie Faldetta	Pat Devaney	Betty Redman	Karen Burke
Sharon Modzelewski	Joe Landis	Barry Keefe	

*Call to Order*

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairperson J. Kunec at 5:05PM. Round table introductions followed.

*Approval of Minutes*

A motion to approve the minutes of the December meeting was made by B. Keefe and seconded by T. Maletto. Motion carried.

*Reports and Correspondence*

**Mental Health:** A. Dindak's report was distributed. Report included the following information: 1) DMHAS issued a notice of funding availability for support team for addiction recovery; the purpose of the notice is to develop support teams for addiction recovery to provide case management and recovery support services for individuals with opioid use disorders. This grant is funded through SAMSHA's SOR grant. The program will assist individuals with issues that often occur with OUD such as homelessness, incarceration, legal issues, employment, education, transportation, need for social services, health care, child welfare involvement, child care, health insurance, documentation, etc. Total annualized funding is \$700,000.00 subject to federal appropriations. DMHAS anticipates making two awards of approximately \$350,000.00 each. Deadline for proposals was January 8, 2019; notification will take place on February 1, 2019. 2) DMHAS issued a notice of funding availability for alternative approaches to pain management in older adults; the purpose of this notice is to provide educational programs regarding alternative approaches to pain management for older adults. It will be funded through SAMSHA's SOR grant. Total annualized funding is \$375,000.00 subject to federal appropriations. DMHAS anticipates making up to five (5) awards of \$75,000.00 each. Deadline for proposals was January 8, 2019; Cape Assist received one of the awards. 3) DMHAS issued an RFP on December 14, 2018 for a Community Peer Recovery Center; the purpose being to open regional Community recovery centers (CPRC) for individuals to access peer support, information about substance use disorder treatment, recovery support services, and information about other community resources in a supportive substance free environment. This RFP was funded through SAMSHA's state opioid response SOR grant. Total annualized funding is \$300,000.00 subject to federal appropriations. DMHAS anticipates making three (3) awards in the amount of \$100,000.00 each. Deadline for proposals was January 11, 2019; preliminary award announcement took place on February 1, 2019; John Brooks received one of the awards.

**Addiction Services:** No Report

**GCADA:** No Report

*Old Business*

**Membership:** Robert Johnson and David Grusemeyer were appointed to the Board tonight by the Freeholders. Joe Landis stated that he may know of a clergy man who is interested. He will contact Pat once he knows more.

**Heroin Issue Update:** Joe Landis discussed the efforts of the Prosecutor's office to ascertain the difference between the reports of overdoses provided by the Prosecutors office and those listed on NJCARES. Pat provided a data sheet that demonstrates the differences. Pat has a contact as well at NJCARES and will also pursue this issue.

Joe also reported that the demand for NARCAN on the Hope One van is increasing substantially and some type of selection criteria may need to be developed to manage resources. From the period June through December 2018, the van distributed 160 kits. Pat reported that the grant funds for sober living placed 30 individuals last year. In a recent meeting with the sober living owners there was a discussion of placing more expectations on the client to assure more “buy in”. Sueanne reported that her OORP program saw 249 people in 2018 and 81% accepted treatment.

**Recovery High School:** Katie stated that the Middle Township School Board has received an allocation from the State DOE of \$500,000 to start the high school as of March 1<sup>st</sup>. They hired 3 part time teachers, 1 administrator, 1 recovery coach and 1 transition coordinator. They are recruiting youth and expect to open with at least 2 students.

**Plan Update/Logic Model:** Pat distributed data regarding access to treatment and the logic models for 2020-2023. After much discussion, a motion was made by Barry Keefe, seconded by Tom Maletto to approve of the logic models as written. Motion carried.

### *New Business*

**CASS Meeting Minutes, FY 2020 Renewal Plan, Budget Modification:**

1) CASS Minutes were distributed. 2) The Renewal Plan includes all previously approved modifications. Any changes to last year’s plan are processed through the ongoing (year round) budget modification process and are not processed through the plan documents. 3) Distributed budget modification request for county-wide program. A motion to approve the plan, the budget modifications, and the CASS Minutes was made by T. Maletto and seconded by J. Landis. Motion carried.

**Mental Health First Aid:** Lynda Frazer submitted a flyer regarding the availability of Mental Health First Aid classes in Cape May County.

**Code Blue Information:** Pat reported for Donna that the transition from vouchers to warming centers has been operating at an acceptable level. About 7 people seek out the warming centers per Code Blue. Fare Free has been providing the transportation from the Branches to the Cape Hope site. The Branches has been opening at 630AM when Code Blue is called so people have somewhere to go in the AM. There has been minimal use of the vouchers by families.

**Statistics on Overdoses:** See discussion about regarding NJ CARES.

### *Public Response*

Katie Faldetta announced a 5 day Recovery Coach training will be held in Cape May County starting 2/27/19. Flyer with additional information will be available shortly.

Greg Speed announced a seminar for military veterans, *Generations Connect*, will be held on 2/21/19 at Atlantic Cape Community College. Seminar will include a finance presentation by Sturdy Bank and a panel discussion about building resilience and transitioning back to civilian life. VA representatives will also be available.

Joe Landis announced a Hate Crime Symposium will be held on 2/21/19.

### *Adjournment:*

Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.