

SI SUPRT Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 5, 2025  
Via Zoom 12:00-1:00

Shyla Hernandez, EHD  
Elizabeth Cook, EHD  
Mark Elliott, Wayne County Health Department  
Danielle Camp, EHD  
AnnMarie Murray, SIRAC  
Dr. Michael Blain, CRHPC  
Kat Houghton, EHD  
Jamie Byrd, EHD  
Katie Unthank, EHD  
Kindra York, EHD  
Misty Eftink, EHD  
Chris Dennis, EHD  
Hannah Jude, EHD  
Amy Oxford, Senator Fowlers Office  
Drew Donelson, EHD  
Theresa Oxford, EHD  
Jessica Carter, Ferrell Hospital  
Tonya Potts, EHD  
Vincent Falzone,ISP  
Charly Gordon, EHD  
Johanna Gonzalez, SUPR  
Bev Holland, Region 5  
Mike Tyson, TAT  
Tricia Harrison, EHD  
Margot Cepeda, VA Hospital  
Angie Bailey, SIH  
Julie Pohlman, Region 4 ROSC

**Standing Coalition Business**

- Approval of January meeting minutes were approved unanimously. Motion made by Kindra York, seconded by Kat Houghton.

**New and Standing Coalition Reports**

- Elizabeth Cook, EHD, gave detailed results from the recent survey sent out by the council. A reported 125 individuals completed the survey via social media, QR codes on candy jars, Heavens Kitchen, SUDS group, and council meetings.

- 63.7% female, 31.5% male, 4.8% other. Surveys were completed with 93.4% white participants, 97.2% non-hispanic, 47.8% person with lived experience.
  - Best represented counties : Saline (50.9%) White (16.7%) and Hamilton (8.8%)
  - Slides were presented to show results of each category in the survey.
  - The council held discussion in regards to the need for housing, as well as job opportunities in our community. It was added that we need to raise awareness to all the services available locally.
- AnnMarie Murray, SIRAC, spoke on the new BRICK program. The focus will be on bridging gaps in services, education, mentorship, emotional support, and case management for their service families. This program for mothers and families will serve Gallatin, Saline, White, Alexander, Pope, Jackson, Franklin, and Williamson Counties.
  - Chris Dennis, EHD, shared a flyer for a Bowling Event to be held by the recovery group. This will take place on February 27th. More activities will be planned throughout the upcoming year.
    - He added that a calendar has been created for upcoming Free Laundry events scheduled for 2025. He reported that 18 laundry events were held in 2024. These events served 303 people and over 1,000 loads of laundry were done, at no charge. Additionally, those in attendance were connected to available services.
  - Mike Tyson spoke on behalf of SIRN and reported that a Peer Recovery Conference is in the works. More details will be shared with the council as available.
    - Additionally, “Southern Illinois Youth Empowerment Network is being implemented. This will involve 12th graders to become trained peer supporters.
  - Drew Donelson, EHD, reported 98 people were trained on the use of Naloxone in January. She added that 635 kits and 150 test strips have been distributed and there are currently 66 stands on display throughout our service area.
  - Jessica Carter, Ferrell Hospital, informed the council on an 18 week recovery group that has started. This group is held every Sunday, for one hour and welcomes people in addiction as well as their family members. She added that flyers will be sent out to be shared.

Motion was made by Drew Donelson to adjourn the meeting, with Angie Bailey seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

**Next meeting is set for Wednesday, February 5th at noon, and will be hosted at the iHub.**