

Ford County ROSC Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 25th, 2025, at 8:30 AM (Zoom)

Definition of ROSC: A Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) is a coordinated network of community-based services and supports that is person-centered and builds on the strengths and resilience of individuals, families, and communities to experience recovery and improved health, wellness and quality of life for those with or at risk of substance use and/or co-occurring conditions. The central focus of a ROSC is to create an infrastructure, or “systems of care”, with the resources to effectively address the full range of substance use and/or co-occurring disorders within communities.

Our Mission: Bring the community together to build a recovery support system to improve health, wellness and quality of life, through education, stigma reduction, and access to resources.

Attendance:

1. Frankie Ward (Chestnut Health Systems, Recovery Specialist)
2. Kari Knapp (Chestnut Health Systems, Associate of Community Health)
3. Barbara Brumleve (Ford County ROSC, McLean County ROSC, Chestnut)
4. John Schneider (Chestnut Health Systems, Community Health Recovery Specialist)
5. Bahiyyah Khalilallah (Chestnut Health Systems, TA ROSC)
6. Kami Garrison (Chestnut Health Systems, TA ROSC)
7. Megan Ramirez (Consortium Coordinator - Gibson Area Hospital)
8. Tim Nuss (Ford County Board)
9. Lynn Matthews (CRCC)
10. Del Saam (Veteran’s Treatment Court)
11. Sam Kortkamp (Chestnut Health Systems - intern)
12. Tia Schum (Piatt ROSC Coordinator)
13. Melissa Watson (Family and Community Engagement-Birth to Nine)
14. Odette Hyatt-Watson (East Central Community Action)
15. Julian (The Center for Youth and Family Solutions)
16. Jennifer Harrison (Ford County Probation)
17. Becky Beck (Ford County Health Department)
18. Christine Pierce (Carle/PLE)
19. Carrie McKinzie (Gateway)
20. Shelby Rhoades - Rosecrance

Agenda:

- Introductions
- Spotlight: Capacity Building – presented by John Schneider
- Updates/Upcoming Events
- Available Trainings
- Agency Updates/Questions

The Ford Co. ROSC Council convened to discuss capacity building and community health initiatives, with participants from various organizations sharing their roles and expertise. Barb Brumleve initiated the session by welcoming attendees, including Frankie Ward from Ford ROSC, Kari Knapp from Chestnut, and John Schneider, who was set to present on capacity building. The introductions underscored the diverse backgrounds of the participants, all of whom are involved in community health and recovery services, setting the stage for a collaborative discussion.

Main Topic: Capacity Building

John Schneider presented on the significance of capacity building in public health, defining it as the development of skills and resources essential for organizational success. He drew an analogy between soil and the community, emphasizing that what is often seen as mere dirt is, in fact, valuable soil cultivated by farmers. This analogy highlighted the role of farmers as caregivers who enhance the land's productivity, which in turn supports local economies and businesses. Schneider stressed the need for resilience and adaptability in the face of changing circumstances.

The conversation shifted to the importance of communication and collaboration within the Ford County ROSC Council. Schneider encouraged members to share their knowledge and experiences to strengthen the coalition, emphasizing the need for community engagement and interagency cooperation to address mental health and substance use disorders. Frankie Ward and Kami Garrison acknowledged the clarity of Schneider's presentation and its relevance to rural communities, particularly the soil analogy.

ROSC Updates:

Frankie Ward thanked John for sharing his knowledge regarding capacity building. Frankie then outlined the primary goals for the Ford County ROSC, which include **increasing awareness of recovery partnerships, improving access to recovery supports, and reducing stigma surrounding substance use disorders**. Strategies discussed included enhancing social media engagement and forming a subcommittee for actionable outreach. Megan Ramirez proposed a calendar-driven approach for real-time reporting and suggested creating a task tracker to ensure effective community engagement. Tim Nuss echoed the need for improved social media outreach, while Odette Watson provided updates on community action initiatives, including upcoming events aimed at assisting families with various services.

Let's discuss a Subcommittee...Frankie captured the reason Why Ford County ROSC needs a subcommittee. We believe that the formation of a subcommittee will ensure that **our work leads to real impact!!** Please reach out if you are interested, we would LOVE to work with you 😊

Why a ROSC Subcommittee?

We have great ideas in ROSC... but who moves them forward?

Meetings generate discussions, action happens between meetings.

A subcommittee ensures our work leads to real impact:

- ✓ Ensures Follow-Through – Ideas become actions
- ✓ Expands ROSC's Reach – More partnerships, resources, and impact
- ✓ Prevents Burnout – Shares work across more people
- ✓ Provides Structure & Direction – Defines roles, sets goals, and tracks progress



Subcommittee Interest Form

<https://forms.gle/JZGgZm2emHySUrYa6>



We'd love for you to complete our subcommittee interest form—your input will help shape the future of our ROSC initiatives!



Agency Updates:

Tim Nuss extended an invitation to anybody and everybody to the **Ford County Board Meetings**. They meet on the **2nd Monday of every month at 7pm** in the basement of the Sheriff's office. You'll always have a platform!!

Odette Hyatt-Watson discussed the availability of community action funds for car repairs and rental assistance, as well as ongoing LIHEAP services. She emphasized the importance of addressing transportation barriers by offering direct assistance at local sites.

Shelbie Rhoades announced a drug take-back initiative and the distribution of safe disposal kits at the library.

Upcoming Trainings:

[Meeting Registration - Zoom.](#)



We look forward to seeing you at our next ROSC Council Meeting, **Tuesday, April 22nd at 8:30 am.**

As always, please reach out if you have any questions, ideas for collaborations, etc. Thank You!!



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