ROSC Planning & Consortium Meeting August 25, 2025

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Planning meeting

Attendees:

Raina Tarver- Locust Street Resource Center peer

Elyse Schoen- St. Francis Way Clinic

Jon Magnuson- The Next Network/RCO

Kevin Schott- Retired EMA & Firefighter/community member

Samantha Brown-5th Street Renissance

Chas Swearingen-Lincoln Prairie Counseling Center

Carissa Clark- St. Louis University Faculty

Naomi Willis- Pavillion

Michelle Dettwiler- Community member/PLE/Locust Street Resource Center

Hank Boehme- Family Guidance Center

Juliet Milton- Domestic Violence Advocate/Macoupin County Public Health Department

Patrick Miller- Statewide ROSC

Nicole List- Locust Street Resource Center/Macoupin County Drug Court

Maria Clark- Locust Street Resource Center

Christine White- Statewide ROSC?

ROSC Planning committee notes

The meeting began with updates on laundry program statistics and community outreach events, including discussions about scheduling changes and upcoming health-related activities. The team reviewed planning activities for various community events and discussed the development of state-level data collection questions, while also addressing challenges around daycare accessibility and affordability. The group explored initiatives to improve community recovery services, including the creation of recognition ceremonies

and quarterly regional meetings, while also discussing the implementation of new committee (an Overdose Fatality Review board) focused on preventing overdoses and developing regional partnerships.

Next steps

- Elyse: Check remaining funds for laundry day program after Friday
- Elyse: Determine new schedule for laundry day program, likely moving to Wednesdays
- Elyse and Lindsey: Discuss and decide how to proceed with the Macoupin County recovery event
- Elyse: Update consortium members by the end of the week about the Macoupin County recovery event plans
- Jon (RCO): Confirm after staff meeting if they need anything else for the overdose awareness event on the 31st
- Elyse: Ask if certain individuals are available to attend the Carlinville Area Hospital health and wellness event on September 6th
- Elyse: Follow up with people who reached out wanting to donate to laundry days
- Team: Plan the new Wednesday schedule within the next week
- Elyse/Lindsay: Follow up with Locust Street about potentially taking over the planning for the Macoupin County recovery event
- Elyse: Presented the survey questions during the ROSC meeting
- Consortium members: Send their logos to Elyse if they want to be added to the logo board

ROSC meeting notes

Laundry Program Statistics Review

Elyse reviewed laundry day statistics with the cosortium, noting that since July 11, they have assisted between 3-11 people per session, with wash and dry counts ranging from 6-17 loads. Brittney's final session on August 22 saw her assist 2 people with 6 loads each, and she also distributed 3 Narcan kits and 2 wellness resource bags. Elyse expressed interest in continuing the laundry program due to positive community response.

Community Outreach Event Planning Updates

The team discussed transitioning community outreach events and planning for upcoming recovery and health events. Elyse reported that while current funds are limited, they received additional donations and will check remaining balances after Friday. The group agreed to move outreach events from Fridays to Wednesdays due to scheduling conflicts, with Elyse confirming Wednesday availability. They also discussed an overdose awareness event on the 31st and a potential transition of planning responsibilities for a Macoupin County recovery event, which may be delayed due to timing constraints. Additionally, they reviewed a health and wellness event at Carlinville Area Hospital on September 6th, which will include multiple breakout sessions, vendor tables, and giveaways, though scheduling conflicts with Sangamon County events were noted.

State Data Collection Planning Meeting

The meeting began with Elyse updating the group on planning activities and discussing the development of questions for a state-level data collection initiative, noting that up to 10 additional questions could be developed beyond the 10 provided by the state to avoid repetition and facilitate comparison with previous years' data. Carissa mentioned that most of the questions would remain the same as last year to allow for county-by-county comparisons. Elyse also highlighted the importance of coordinating outreach efforts to ensure effective communication and resource distribution within communities. The conversation ended with Elyse preparing to start the main discussion at 2:05 PM, encouraging participants to sign in for roster purposes and introducing the concept of diverse representation at the table.

Community Events and Awareness Updates

Elyse shared updates on upcoming community events, including an overdose awareness day, free laundry events, and a health fair. She invited organizations to participate in these events and highlighted a domestic violence awareness walk. Elyse also provided details on a kids' corner at the health fair, featuring activities like a book reading and a smoothie bike. The health department's domestic violence awareness walk was discussed, with registration and event details shared.

ROSC Consortium Community Engagement Update

Elyse discussed the focus of the ROSC consortium on engagement, action in the community, and addressing housing and transportation issues in the two counties. She highlighted the importance of youth prevention and education, as well as the growth of peer workforce and development, noting that peer support is becoming more accepted and implemented. Elyse also mentioned the reduction in stigma around harm reduction and recovery, attributing it to the efforts of the team. She concluded by discussing the upcoming recovery event scheduled for September 13th, mentioning that due to staff changes, Lindsay and Elyse would need to adjust their capacity to organize the event.

Daycare Access and Strategic Planning

Elyse discussed the challenges of daycare accessibility and affordability, highlighting its impact on families and suggesting it be added to the strategic plan. She and Carissa explored potential solutions, including integrating daycare into the school system. Elyse updated the group on the continuation of free laundry days, the need for community survey updates, and upcoming events for September and October. She also shared Britney's farewell note, expressing gratitude for her contributions and the meaningful work of the consortium.

Community Recovery Initiatives Discussion

The group discussed several initiatives to improve community recovery services and visibility. They explored the idea of creating an awards ceremony to recognize community members and organizations, though Elyse expressed concerns about potential biases and suggested starting small before expanding regionally. The team also discussed organizing a comprehensive community fair to showcase various resources and services, as well as implementing quarterly regional ROSC meetings to share resources and highlight achievements. Carissa presented a survey for community members to assess service access and needs, which needs to be completed by the 30th, and Elyse announced plans for new committees focused on preventing overdoses and developing regional partnerships.