



Franklin/Williamson County ROSC (Hybrid) Meeting Minutes 09/17/2025@ 9:00 AM

Attendees:

Kelsey Driskell- PRS, Advocate/Peer Jackson Co. Drug Court, Take Action Today,
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Cali Thomas – Rural Outreach Specialist Centerstone cali.thomas@centerstone.org

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Valerie Stewart – BASE Administrative Assistant vstewart@takeactiontoday.net

Wendy Lambert – ROSC Coordinator lambo2965@yahoo.com

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone shared a personal introduction, and thanks were given to those who joined the meeting.

Approval of 5/21/25 meeting minutes

1st motion to approve Amber Mulkins

2nd motion to approve Christina Manchen

Presentation:

Cali Thomas, Rural Outreach Specialist Clinician, RCORP from Centerstone, introduced The Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP), a grant-based program at Centerstone that is committed to enhancing behavioral health support for children and their families through innovative, technology-based solutions. She shared their mission,

to mitigate the impact of substance use disorders, including opioid use disorder, in high-risk rural communities. Their goal is to provide mental health and counseling services via telehealth, allowing families to access counseling remotely, and provide necessary equipment for effective participation for families and kids in the underserved rural communities. Families can enroll not only their children but also other household members, ensuring comprehensive support. They are a grant-based program that accepts Medicaid and Medicare. If the family is uninsured, the grant can cover them while they get assistance on signing up for a medical card and/or link.

Discussion:

FY26 Community Resource List is due 10/30, wanting to implement the FindHelp SI website as far as resource list and maps go. This is a great tool for Southern Illinois Communities.

The updated Strategic Plan and Community Survey is due 12/30, Danielle Kroeger, Sherry Smedshammer, Jamie Griffin, and Jessica Schultz are interested in being more involved with this.

Danielle Kroeger discussed the recent expansion of youth prevention programming to include K through 12, highlighting the need for emotional and conflict resolution tools for younger students. The curriculum covers various topics, including internet safety, bullying, and substance misuse, with plans to implement a teen mental health first aid training for students and staff.

Kelli Corner discussed several initiatives aimed at addressing tobacco use among young people, including an invitation to a partnership meeting on September 24th. She highlighted the success of Southern Illinois at the National Conference on Tobacco or Health, where five abstracts were presented. Additionally, she mentioned the Advocates for Nicotine-Free Youth group that meets monthly in Herrin to promote tobacco regulation.

Christina Manchen shared that Centerstone is expanding following a merger with another behavioral health organization, which will add five states to its operations. This expansion aims to amplify their voice in legislative matters and align with shared beliefs. The brand will remain consistent, and day-to-day practices will not change, although service offerings may improve.

Upcoming Trainings:

Saturday, October 11th 8 am – 4:30 pm
Adult Mental Health First Aid Training
Zion Temple C.O.G.I.C 200 S. 4th Street, Murphysboro, IL
Must register by October 6th

- To access previous meeting minutes or review our council's plans and deliverables, please visit:

<https://www.govst.edu/Recovery-Support/Southern-IL-ROSC/FWR-ROSC-Council/>

Next Meeting: October 15th 2025 @ 9:00 am

Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/94772663701?pwd=bjJwMUNxVThZaE1TV29EdmtqNlMvdz09>