

Meeting Minutes

- Date/Time/Location: 10/14/2025 @ noon. Jersey County Health Department or online via Teams Meeting
- Attendance:
 - o Codi Poe
 - o Jeshua Pearson
 - Sarah Crawford
 - o Erin Hileman
 - o Patrick Miller
 - o Emily Simpson
 - Michael Buchanan
 - Kami Gleason
 - Johanna Gonzales
 - o Becky Shipley
 - o Rita Robertson
 - Rachel Klocke
 - o Meagan McGlasson

Peer Recovery Corps Discussion

Rachel Klocke announced the approval of a peer from Recovery Corps, which will start on January 12th and continue until June 30th, 2026. Americorps will hire and pay the individual, and Jersey County Health Department will house and supervise the individual. She highlighted the importance of recruitment and solicited input on how to best utilize the peer, especially in the MAR Clinic and with local providers such as JCH Medical Group, JCH ER, Police departments, Probation and Drug Court Programs, Counseling Providers. Input on recruitment was requested from Rachel. Please email her with any potential candidates or those who may be interested.

Narcan Training and Naloxbox Installation Updates

Rachel Klocke addressed the recent installation of Narcan boxes in schools. Sarah Crawford confirmed that the boxes are installed in multiple locations, including all schools in Jersey County. One box has been purchased to be housed at the Library. As of Jan 1, a new law will come into effect requiring all Public Libraries in the state of Illinois to have Narcan. Narcan training has been arranged with Judy Pruitt and staff members and will be held on November 14th, with installation of the box following.

Community Initiatives and Resource Coordination

Rachel Klocke outlined plans for a community-wide Narcan training event scheduled for November 14th and mental health training at the library in January, provided by Emily. She provided updates on a SHARPS disposal grant application, indicating that the library may become a drop-off site for sharps boxes. Sarah Crawford inquired about the public accessibility of the sharps disposal solution, emphasizing the need for clear communication with the community. Further to come once we know whether or not we have received the grant. Becky to update us on that.

* Community Resource List and Accessibility

 Review of Community Resource list that was created. Input by all was welcomed. Updates made to the section of Substance Use Resources.

Upcoming Recovery Events and Community Engagement

 Rachel highlighted several upcoming events, such as Red Ribbon Week, along with the Sober Sips and Paint Night scheduled for October 16. She mentioned the success of the ticket sales for the Sober Sips event and expressed a desire for more sober programming in the community, especially as winter approaches. ROSC resources being handed out at the upcoming event on 10/18/25 – Boo to the Flu.

- Ideas for Community Support and Resource Sharing
 - Johanna Gonzalez discussed the widespread issues of transportation and housing in strategic plans throughout the state. She noted the effectiveness of volunteer systems used by ROSC councils to quickly mobilize support for those in need. Additionally, she mentioned a successful resource hub in DuPage County that connects over 125 organizations to streamline referrals and assistance.
- Overview of the Illinois Faith and Recovery Collaborative
 - Rachel introduced Patrick Miller, who presented the Illinois Faith and Recovery Collaborative's mission to enhance mental health recovery capacity within faith communities. Patrick emphasized the importance of faith-based organizations in providing support for individuals facing substance use challenges and highlighted the collaborative's role in equipping these communities with necessary resources.
- Date/time/location of next meeting: November 10th @ noon Via Microsoft Teams
 Meeting or in person at Jerseyville Health Department