Recovery Oriented System of Care (ROSC) – Peoria Region

October 31, 2025

Minutes

1) Welcome

2) Review of Prior Meeting Minutes

N/A- the minutes were not readily available. They were made available later in the meeting and attendees were asked to review it on their own time and get back to us if there are any corrections.

Meeting Attendees

Eric Zehr

Kami L. Garrison

Chris Doscoth

Angel Cruz- (new attendee)- Re-entry Program Manager at the Peoria County Jail.

Kevin Hardesty- (new attendee)- AA Intergroup District 6

Brittany Oelze

Donna Crowder

Gina Lynxwiler

Rob Harland- (new attendee)- AA Intergroup

Kelsey Staley

Paige Copple

Aloysia Mitchell

3) SUD ROSC Coordinator Position is Posted

a. Encourage potential applicants to apply

Rick announced that this position has finally been posted. Applications are now being received and screened by Jennifer Hart, Recruiter.

4) Community Survey

- a. Survey questions- need to be sent out as soon as possible. The deadline to turn in the raw data (responses) is December 30th. It needs to be closed by mid-December.
- b. Platforms for "publishing"
 - i. Print
 - ii. Social media
 - iii. Incorporating into existing Trillium Place platforms- Rick is going to meet with Brittany Ott of marketing at Carle Health to determine which platforms will be used to distribute the survey.
 - iv. Any Council member's business platforms? Rick asked what platforms the members have that can be used to distribute the survey.

Gina asked if we could use the same platform that is used for the Community Health Needs assessment that is distributed every three years through a tri-county partnership with the health department. Since they have a system in place for a survey, the question is whether we can partner with them. Andrea Parker can provide more information.

Kami presented an idea that other councils have included. ROSC members can distribute the survey to their personal contacts. There is no way to weed out duplicates since we would not know who may have already filled out the survey. To avoid getting duplicate responses, in the body of the email message where we ask folks to fill out the survey, we can ask individuals to only fill out the survey once.

The survey will give us feedback from a broad range of individuals from our community. People in the recovery community and folks that don't know much about recovery can fill out the survey. We want to cross all age spectrums from youth to seniors. Can patients in treatment facilities fill out the survey? Yes, and as part of the intake paperwork process for programs such as LIHeap and Jolt the survey can be given to individuals in the lobbies/waiting rooms. We have a Jolt

representative on our council. This survey was given to us by the state. Every ROSC council must do this survey, and the results go back to the state to determine funding. The same survey will be conducted over the course of 5 years. Last year was the first year the survey was conducted. If we are submitting the survey via email blast, we may want to ask for the service area of the person filling out the survey. Our service area is the Tri-County area- Peoria, Woodford, Tazewell.

Kevin asked if we could send out 4X6 postcards with QR codes. Yes, we can use a QR code as other councils have, but we need to be mindful that QR codes don't work for everyone, and we should distribute in a way that is accessible to as many as possible. Mixed modalities are more equitable.

If we leave physical copies of the survey, we need to have a plan to pick them up.

When Rick has a meeting with Brittany Ott, Carle Marketing on Monday, he will see if a link for the survey can be created. The survey will not soley be distributed digitally.

Sarah Kelly and Sarah Donohue from the research department for the UECOM, University of Illinois College of Medicine, Peoria are the ones that distribute the survey for the tri-county Community Health Needs Assessment.

Donna mentioned that she can reach out to the health department and get a copy of the survey that they did in June. We could get the results from the survey.

Aloysia mentioned that we must use the questions from the survey. We can't use the results from other surveys. The first 10 questions of the survey are from the state and as a grant condition we must keep these questions.

Kami suggested that we set goals. For example, we should have a benchmark of responses received and if our goal is December 10th, we should have X amount. This will enable us to gauge where we are. Everyone works better when they are working towards a well-defined goal.

We can anticipate having responses from 5% of the population of the community based on the size of the service area. Rick suggested that by December 1st we should have received 5,000 responses and by mid-December 10,000+ responses.

5) Additional New Members to Recruit?

Two names were mentioned: Andrea Parker. Gina will reach out to Andrea. Gina suggested that Andrea Parker ask Addie Collins, the Patient Care Manager for InSchool health program for Peoria Public Schools if she is interested in joining the ROSC Council.

6) Other?

The Peoria ROSC did not have a representative at the conference in Effingham, IL this month. Kami told us it was a great meeting with networking, sharing, and fun. The next meeting is scheduled for April 2026. It was suggested that Peoria could host the next meeting at Trillium Place. Kami will take the idea back to the decision makers and let us know the decision.

7) Close

The next ROSC meeting will be 11/21/25 instead of the last Friday of the month in November.