



HAWNY Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting Information

Date: Wednesday, October 16th, 2024

Time: 3:03 PM -4:00 PM

Location: Virtual

Attendance (68): Dan Gordon, Kexin Ma, Stephanie Mejia, Adria Swain, Alissa Steele, Apple Domingo, Arianna Shands, Ashley Matrassi, Bailey Norris, Sam DiVincenzo, Caitlin Bauer, Carolyn Brunelle, CAZ housing, C Dillion, Celina Bryan, Christine Slocum, Daniella Gallego, Darwin Rosales, Dinoshka Ortiz, Drew Friedfertig, Ebony James, Felica- Slyvia's House, Jessic Mckissack, Haley Diagostino, Hannah Mathieson, Evan Coyle, Harvey Barr, Helene McMahan, Jean Bennett, Jennifer Kaminsky, Jill Mattson, John Banas, Kashmir Bowser, Katey Soellers, Katrina Cropo, Kay Aylor, Kelly DeMatteo, Kelsey Durphy, Kristin Rivers, Kristen Tanner, Laura Pennington, Luanne Firestone, Marek Parker, Mia Clark, Michael Devine, Michaela Thorley, Michelle Laraby, Nadia Pizarro, Nicole Juzdowski, Nathan Pyzikiewicz, Pamela Gawne, Paris J, Paul Hinds, Rae Frank, Restoration Society, Rishita Rudraraju, Sara Carlson, Sara Gartland, Sara Mahier, Sara Pisa, Sarah-Catherine Sargeant, Sasha Rodgers, Than Nguyen, Tina Lamont, Tom Grinnell, Treya Gough, Will Marcy, Yulissa Pena

1.) Introductions

HAWNY Executive Director Kexin Ma starts the meeting with an introduction.

2.) Homeless Alliance Role Updates

HAWNY CoC director Ashley Matrassi notes the importance of the various roles of HAWNY CoC staff

Please see ppt for HAWNY CoC staff individual roles

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1_WTCSgSJRd8LOvaRmz3nSiuhOkhJbYySKaxYLLtev2E/edit?usp=sharing

3.) Presentation on Medicare Redesign Program/Eligibility

Stephanie Mejia presents Evergreen Housing Quick reference

The MRT programs target high medicaid users. The program is a recognition that housing is a healthcare issue. We know that when we house individuals, healthcare costs go down in the community. There are less healthcare issues and costs. The state wants to house individuals to help with medicaid costs.

1.) MRT Erie County, Jamestown

- Living with HIV/AIDS
- Active Medicaid
- High risk patient 1 or more (active mental illness, not engaged in HIV care, active substance use)
- High medication utilization 3+ ER visit in 12 mo

2.) Niagara County MRT

- Must enroll in Niagara County Health Home within 30 days of application submission
- Participants outside of Niagara can be referred but have to agree to live in Niagara
- Experiencing Homelessness or at risk (3+ addressed in last 12 mo)
- Preferred SPMI diagnosis'
- High Medicaid Utilization 5+ ER visit in last 12 mo
- Active medicaid

**MRT Erie County, Jamestown: looking to expand program to Niagara County
Niagara County MRT.**

One of goals is to get patients into more permanent housing, Including section 8

Referral page

<https://app.luminpdf.com/viewer/67128f43674be3d7b1e9a277?credentials-id=3be00d0e-1fb8-474b-99ff-c6145c9b754d>

The Referral lists who to fax or send to. Please Send release of information over making it easier and faster for us to process referral.

4.) Voting Guide

Sara Carlson presents voting rights, qualifiers, registration methods, special circumstances. See below:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19P1YByldKZXCZdHEf6HwNVGf1UKz2llz/e dit#slide=id.g30af90f5abf_0_32

5.) Domestic Violence Awareness

Evan Coyle presents on national statistics, local (DV) resources, and programs.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month is October. Click here for more information regarding DV

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1aEVCQMFKtvDcDq3wbBFIJq7EFLCluHlohHgA4luFbQ/edit#slide=id.g30b7afe140d_0_62

6.) HMIS Reporting and Workshops Reminders

Alissa Steele of the HAWNY HMIS Team reviews upcoming optional and Mandatory trainings. Listed below:

<https://calendly.com/wnyhomeless>

7.) Community Announcements

HAWNY Luncheon December 13th at Classics V

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-hawny-luncheon-tickets-1002467937587?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Award

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Erie County Budget 101 Oct. 22nd

<https://ppgbuffalo.org/news-and-events/events/event:10-22-2024-12-30pm-erie-county-budget-101/>

Big Big Bash 2024 oct 19

<https://givebutter.com/BigBigBash>

Veterans and Family Halloween Party October 23,24

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=tmQI9SvMJkyN-7_rB3NfzgREuLQmHFVKtuSS-3jVPyJUNkpOMzFNTjgxm1hRRldXUjBCVkiKSE8xMyQIQCN0PWcu&route=shorturl

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8.) Adjournment