

**Healthcare Subcommittee of Summit County
Opiate Task Force meeting
MINUTES**

**July 25th, 2018
3:00PM-4:00PM**

***Akron Children's Hospital – Maternal Fetal Medicine
Considine Building – Suite 5500***

Clinical Care Report Out *(Best Practice, Patient Education, Protocols)*

Maternal/Neonatal

Stephanie Strader discussed with the group a meeting she is pulling together with Centering. Akron Children's is in the beginning stages of pulling together resources to create a program much like Summa's Centering program before mom delivers. This would be a support system for mom with NAS babies. The vision for this program is not yet clear, however many ideas and conversations are in the works. Dana shared with the group that Dr. Protain and Dr. Grow are very much in support of Akron Children's Hospital looking into some partnership opportunities with CHC to be able to provide services to the NICU. Dana also shared that on August 29th Ronna and Karen from CHC will be coming into the NICU to discuss with nursing staff the different types of behavioral issues to expect from moms experiencing addictive behaviors and how to handle these types of situations. This training will be recorded so that it can be shared amongst different departments and played back for future reference.

Pediatric Education Training

Stephanie Strader shared that last month Children's received grant money for the purchase of around 500 lock boxes that will be dispensed through the ED, the Pain Center, Palliative, and Adolescent Medicine.

Stephanie also informed the group about an online education module that was created for Children's nursing staff in regards to addiction. The online module will be out in August with Children's School Nurses as part of their back to school training. Many other departments throughout Children's have expressed interest in expanding this training and education into their departments as well.

Dr. Thrasher updated the group on Dr. William Goldman and the completion of his fellowship. His role at Akron Children's has not yet been determined, however they are

working on the Addiction Service in stages and to begin, he will be working in house, part time, with consult services.

Adult/Addiction Services – Dr. Thrasher

ADM Detox Update:

Dr. Thrasher shared with the group that numbers for detox have decreased. They are down to 12 beds filled which is low. Dr. Thrasher explained to the group that the reasoning for this low census may be due to the fact that opiates on the street are cheaper. PEZ is also experiencing the impact that the increase in methamphetamine is causing.

ADM Detox/Residential Treatment Wait Times Update:

Dr. Thrasher provided the group with an update on detox to residential wait times. On average it is about 3 weeks for males and a little longer wait period for females.

Dr. Thrasher informed the group about a pilot project that Barberton is working on which is funded by the Summit County United Way. This project takes place in the Emergency Department and the goal is to capture the patients that are coming in with addiction issues. Instead of patients being sent to detox facilities the idea is to administer buprenorphine for three days. After the three day process the goal is a hand off to a facility to continue treatment. The issue and concern is that many are unaware of this project. Dr. Smith also informed the group that Public Health has the potential for another large grant from the department of health. The grant is to hopefully get every ER in Summit County to participate in a larger version of Barberton's project. Shannon Schwoeble, the Office Coordinator for Groups Recover Together in Barberton, attended the meeting and touched on this project as well. She informed the group that Groups Recover Together can take patients next day Monday thru Friday.

One of the concerns discussed with the group in regards to the success of this project was transportation issues. Dana suggested a partnership with Uber to help with these barriers. Diane Sprankle informed the group about transportation services such as; Hope for Lost Souls, Hope for Ohio, and even coaches who are willing to transport patients anytime and anywhere needed. These resources were new to the group and prompted discussion of gaps and sharing.

Education and Training (providers, OARRS, NEOMED, Other) – Dr. Thrasher

Dr. Smith shared Saved the Date cards for the November 3rd Conference.
(Please see attachment for Save the Date Card)

Dr. Smith also updated the group on the BH Redesign and Managed Care. This is changing all the existing codes to be tied to specific provider codes. One group to experience fallout from this redesign is psychiatric services, some codes are no longer accepted. An additional fallout to this redesign is Case Managers are no longer billable in the hospitals.

IMD Rule has changed the law for Ohio so that addiction services can now bill Medicaid.

Access/Dispensing (Access, EMS, Pharmacy)

No update.

Legislative Updates

No update.

Group Planning

Next meeting will be a working session. Please be prepared for discussion and brainstorming.

Homework Assignment:

Please send Morgan an email containing your name, the organization you are a part of, your title, and the services your organization offers.

Next Meeting will be: Wednesday, October 3rd, 2018

2:00pm – 4:00pm

Considine Professional Building – Second Floor – Classrooms 5 & 6