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The Schreiber Research Group
PRSS & Harm Reduction Workgroup Meeting Minutes
2/5/2025 1:00-2:00 pm via Zoom

Attendees:

Claudia Amura – College of Nursing and Colorado School of Public Health
Larry Chatman - Volunteer
Christine Coffield - Otero County Health Department, Regional Health Connector for Region 6
Robert Guerrero - Access Point Pueblo, Prevention Services Coordinator at
Allison Harden - Beyond Betty, PRSS
Lauren Kerr – TSRG, Data & Administrative Coordinator
Christopher Menges - Otero County Health Department, Substance Use Disorder Program Director
Jen Place - University of Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention, Sr. Program Manager
Maddie Peloff – TSRG, Data Coordinator
Sydney Qualls - Crossroads Turning Points, Peer Specialist
Jeff Richardson - Otero County Health Department, PRSS

Workgroup Mission and Norms:

Mission:

This workgroup will discuss topics related to harm reduction and peer recovery in the Southeast region of Colorado. Some topics may include naloxone availability, comprehensive training, and community education.

Norms:

- a. Share names and roles
- b. Raise hands or use chat for contributions
- c. Use respectful and inclusive language
- d. Make room for all voices and ideas
- e. Keep conversations on actionable topics

Meeting purpose:

This meeting discussed the similarities between the two workgroups, their overlapping goals, and the ways both teams can collaborate effectively. Additional topics discussed were goals for the



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new year, the upcoming quarterly meeting tentatively scheduled for March 19 (March 26 confirmed date), and resources for the workgroup.

Agenda items:

- I. Structure of merged meeting
 - a. Maddie describes the way the two groups can work together and how to delegate time to each subject
 - b. The consensus was to use the meeting time for both PRSS and Harm Reduction as time allows
- II. New work being done by PRSS team
 - a. Chris talks about the new contact the group has with RESADA, Fort Lyon and Sheriffs from several communities
 - b. Chris discusses using time after quarterly meetings to discuss the workgroup plans in person
 - c. Larry discusses the need for intentional self-care and the importance of helping yourself so you can help others
 - i. Chris mentions the possibility of having a self-care training for the workgroup to learn effective strategies
- III. New goals for 2025
 - a. Chris expressed the goal of adding a floating peer to have some nontraditional tasks or jobs
 - b. Allison summarizes the Caring4Denver article to inform and plan for transparency with the work being done by this group
 - c. Allison describes the way conversation around the Caring4Denver grant can impact how the team looks at transparency in the work being done.
 - d. Chris and Allison discuss the possibility of having a support meeting for peers
 - e. Allison and Chris describe the standards of training peers and courses as well as the availability due to lack of funding
 - i. Larry also mentions individuals on probation have the opportunity to take the 60-hour course paid for by their probation office
- IV. Harm Reduction work
 - a. Access Point team describes their role in the community and what their presentation to the quarterly meeting will entail



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- b. Robert also describes how Access Point has specific resources for overdose and the ways they can get connected and engaged with communities
- V. Access Point's role in the quarterly meeting
 - a. The Access Point team used a poll to gauge the group's interests and will set up a presentation accordingly

Next Steps

- I. Discuss CPSS training for anyone to become a certified peer
- II. Organize monthly support meetings for peers
- III. Create a self-care training
- IV. Access Point to reach out to businesses about overdose prevention trainings

Next meeting:

Date: 3/5/2025 Time: 1:00 pm – 2:00pm Location: TSRG Zoom