



## South Shore Community Partners in Prevention

### **South Shore Community Partners in Prevention (CHNA 23) Wednesday, February 10, 2021 8:55 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. Zoom Meeting**

In attendance: Liz Weiner, Housing Programs Manager for OCES; Sarah Cloud, BID-Plymouth & PCO Hope; Abby Foley, Gosnold; Jen Cantwell, Community Programs Coordinator, Plymouth County District Attorney's Office; Jeff Stone from Community Food Packaging; Vicky Butler, Program Director for Plymouth County Outreach and Steering Committee member; Heather Kashman - Community Liaison for Pembroke Hospital; Dr. Marcia E Herzberg Director/Health Agent Kingston; Amy Sylvia, South Shore Resource and Advocacy Center; Kim Harrison, May Center; Erin Cohen, Director of Development at Road to Responsibility; Anne Marie Winchester, PCO Hope, HCS Plymouth Community Coordinator; Nancy DeLuca, Clinic Director, Plymouth Sexual & Reproductive Health at Health Imperatives; Susan West BID Hospital Plymouth Family Education; Missy Porter, Bethesda House; Sheila Flaherty, NAMI Plymouth Area; Trudy Avery, Cook Family Charitable Fund; Emiliana Gomes, Community Liaison with Vitra Health; Jennifer Machado, Community Liaison, Vitra Health; Kelly Macomber Plymouth Public Schools/PYDC; Jason Sylvia Case Manager from DDS Plymouth; Tom Carter, A New Day Program Manager; Tyra Jackson- Department of Mental Health, Steering Committee Member; Cristina Wilson Old Colony YMCA Plymouth; Sue Giovanetti, Plymouth Area Coalition for the Homeless; Mike Jackman, Congressman Keating's Office (SSCPP Chair); Kim Scotland, SSCPP Coordinator/United Way; Casey Seaman TPP; Kathleen Considine NAMI; Liz Haughn; Kati Mapa, United Way DECI; Siobhan McKay, Plymouth DDS RN; Malissa Kenney, Healthy Plymouth and New Heights at Algonquin Heights

Meeting called to order by Mike Jackman, SSCPP Chair at 8:55am. He alerted all that the meeting is being recorded. View recording [here](#). All introduced themselves in the chat.

All in attendance voted to approve January meeting minutes. Mike introduced mini grant presentation and reminded all that more information on SSCPP funding can be found on our website under [www.chna23.org/funding](http://www.chna23.org/funding).

#### **Mini Grant Outcomes Report: PCO Hope Narcan & Harm Reduction Initiative**

Sarah Cloud, Director of Social Work BID Plymouth

Anne Marie Winchester, PCO Hope

- Sarah and Anne shared about the work of the "Pizza & Prevention" initiative.
- PCO has a community outreach team of specialists to train, engage, and educate folks who are at a higher risk for substance use- particularly folks at a higher risk for an overdose. Cover all towns in SSCPP catchment area.

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- Partnered with PCO to identify where overdoses were occurring. Noticed there was an uptick in fatal overdoses to folks that were not previously known. Also noticed “hot spots” where they were occurring and targeted these areas for this initiative. Also focused on offering program at food pantries and Algonquin Heights.
- PCO Hope has a great diversity in its team- recovery coaches, Narcan trainers, family support, addiction specialists, etc.
- Started program in January of 2020 and have been able to expand outreach thanks to SSCPP grant. Scheduled dates with sober homes in evenings to bring pizza to residents and do prevention trainings. Groups range from 6-25 people at trainings.
- Harm reduction: Distributed 4mg of Narcan kits to people who are unlikely or ineligible to obtain Narcan through other avenues. Also share about Narcan and how it works during visits.
- A lot of people on PCO scholarships go to these locations and this has been a great way to meet them and work with sober homes.
- Were creative with COVID and did a lot of trainings outdoors in summer. Only obstacles have been getting into high-risk communities that do not have a gathering already taking place such as food pantry or a sober home during COVID. The pizza part made a big difference!
- Overall, program exceeded goals:



- Opened for questions.

**Panel: COVID-19 Vaccine Community Discussion**

Dr. Herzberg and Deputy Chief Cavallaro shared current town plans for vaccine distribution. Lisa Cullity, Pembroke Health Agent was unable to join meeting. Pembroke has a local clinic at senior center.

*Dr. Marcia Herzberg, Kingston Health Agent and Director of Health Department for the town of Kingston*

- New to her role. Towns are in varying degrees of infrastructure to be able to order vaccines and hold clinics. Have been working to set up drive-through clinics. Currently in Phase 2- working a lot with

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Council of Aging for seniors. The online registration tool has been difficult for seniors. Thankfully 2-1-1 has been able to help with this. Also partnering with Fire Chief and a task force.

- Communication is essential for town and has been challenging to get the messages across to various demographics. Have a website with covid-19 pages updates on vaccines. Also utilize Healthy Kingston, PACTV and use reverse 911 Blackboard, and partners such as COA to spread the word. Will share dates when confirmed with *Wicked Local*.
- Shared some of the challenges have come with misinformation especially about eligibility. Are at the mercy of the state and cannot change the order of vaccines. Decision making process and distribution comes at state level and locally the Board of Health does not have control over it.
- State is putting together MA vaccination sites at places such as CVS and these locations will be good for folks with mobility. Private sites like these tend to have less wait time. A lot of seniors have called to say they cannot drive to the MA vaccine sites. Smaller clinics have been better for seniors.
- Have placed an order for vaccines and hope to be able to do mobile vaccines for those in need in future.
- Other locations in Kingston for vaccines: Big Y and Skin Esteem Med Spa. Cristina shared that the YMCA in south Plymouth is open to helping seniors set up an appointment. Can visit lobby to get help or call front desk. Contact Cristina for more information: [cwilson@oldcolonyymca.org](mailto:cwilson@oldcolonyymca.org).
- Marshfield Fairgrounds is now open (for those eligible) for all of Plymouth County and can sign up online for an appointment. New appointments are released on Wednesday nights at midnight for MA vaccine sites. Local pharmacies release appt. schedules on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

*Jay Cavallaro, Deputy Chief, Hanover Fire Department*

- The town of Hanover was a previous SSCPP mini grant recipient for their Mobile Integrated Health initiative.
- Deputy Chief Cavallaro shared the latest. There is a level of frustration shared with Pembroke and Duxbury due to a lack of vaccine supply. Has been fairly slow so far and Board of Health plans are not being put in motion as hoped. Hanover has vaccinated all first responders/volunteers and public health folks. Next week they will be able to get second doses.
- Have first public clinic today for Phase 2. Local boards of health are being restricted to no more than 100 vaccines a week. Started using their plan and then were told they were not getting as many vaccines as they planned for.
- A lot of residents cannot easily get to Gillette and other testing sites. Put in a collaborative effort with Duxbury and Pembroke to try to get more vaccines. Have been meeting and have a venue for a tri-town vaccination plan with the ability to handle about 500 vaccines a day.

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- Everyone has been working tirelessly and hope with this collaborative approach there will not be burn out.
- Are communicating with residents through social media and the website. Also developed a list of town members by age (oldest to youngest) and are calling everyone to determine if they want vaccine, if they travel, if they want one in town, and if they are house bound.
- Home visits have a lot of logistics so a bit challenging but planning for this too. Mobile integrated health will be very helpful here. Some of our most vulnerable people cannot get out to a site. Local CVS in town is offering vaccines – trying to collaborate with them but has not come into place yet.
- Fire Department is trying to focus on what they *can* control. Reaching out to the residents and planning to be ready to facilitate folks getting the vaccine. 26% of 75+ population have been vaccinated as of meeting date.
- Opened for questions.

Mike shared SSCPP is working with South Shore Health to have a discussion with two of their doctors about vaccines for a health literacy event in the future. If folks have questions about vaccines, please send to us ahead of time to Kim at [chna23@gmail.com](mailto:chna23@gmail.com).

The floor was opened for announcements.

If you have any updates from your agency to share, please send our way to [chna23@gmail.com](mailto:chna23@gmail.com) or tag us on Facebook under @chna23

Adjourned at 10:01am.

Next Meeting: March 10<sup>th</sup>

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