



OPIOID SAFETY COALITION MINUTES



Type of Meeting:	Opioid Safety Coalition Meeting	Date:	January 9, 2025
Place:	Stanislaus Veterans Center and Via Teams	Time:	9:00 am – 10:30 am
Minutes By:	Marisela Gallardo		
Present:	Sign in sheet available on request		

Order of Agenda Items	Discussion	Tasks
A. Welcome, Introductions & Minutes Review & Approval	- Jennifer Marsh welcomed everyone, introduced herself, and asked all new attendees to do the same. - Jennifer announced January 2025 will mark SAMHSA's first annual Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Month. SUD Treatment Month is an opportunity to reflect on our relationships with substances, learn about SUD and effective treatment options, and connect to resources. Jennifer stated there will be postings on the BHRS Instagram page throughout the month to promote awareness.	
B. Overdose & Poisoning Data Infographic, Coroner Data and ODMAP	- Ritem shared information and reviewed the Substance Use in Stanislaus County infographic from October – December 2024. Jennifer reported on the Stanislaus County Overdose and Poisoning Deaths Coroner Preliminary Death Data on closed cases as of 1/7/25. There has been a total of 159 drug-related deaths in 2024, 92 were fentanyl related, 12 other Opioids, 44 Meth, 6 were alcohol related deaths, 3 were cocaine related deaths and 2 were other. Jennifer shared the number of deaths due to methamphetamine has increased and the number of deaths due to cocaine was added to the data. Jennifer will provide data by age group at next month's meeting. Jennifer also stated the number of closed cases is about 3 months behind and we should know the final number for the year 2024 in March or April of 2025 but based on the preliminary data for year-to-date numbers, the number of deaths for 2024 have decreased. - Jennifer shared data from ODMAP. The data provided was for 2023 and 2024. The totals were by month, by day of the week and by hour of the day. Jennifer stated not all agencies are reporting into ODMAP, so these are underreported numbers. Jennifer will provide the number of Naloxone administered at next month's meeting. The data presented will be emailed to Coalition Members.	
C. Presentations: SUD Initiatives, SB 43, Behavioral Health Plan, Opioid Settlement Funds	Dr. Mora announced Senate Bill 43 went into effect on January 1, 2025, in Stanislaus County. Senate Bill 43 expands the definition of "grave disability" to include those individuals who are unable to care for their basic needs for health and safety due to a severe substance use disorder, or a co-occurring mental health disorder and a severe substance use disorder. Dr.	

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	Mora stated they will be gathering information as the months go on and does not anticipate a major impact. Dr. Mora encouraged a heightened awareness of SUD treatments, resources and staff being able to connect those seeking SUD services. • Tabitha Sprague reported in May 2023 BHRS obtained the Board of Supervisor's approval to utilize Opioid Settlement Funds to contribute toward the expansion of substance use disorder services. Tabitha provided information on the 4 phases of the planning process and stated due to multiple regulatory and DHCS Contract changes since initial proposal they have had to pivot in the planning process. • Tabitha reported there has also been an update to the ASAM 4. The ASAM 4 goal is to better support the integration of physical and mental health care to promote a chronic care model of addiction treatment across all LOCs. There are new, removed, and updated services. Updated Dimensions for Evaluation of Service Needs and still pending Department of Health Care Services guidance. Tabitha went over ASAM recommended Strategies. The next step is to hold Stakeholder workgroups to coordinate planning for multiple initiatives and provide an updated Phased Plan proposal to the Board of Supervisors.	
D. National Fentanyl Awareness Day 2025	• Jennifer announced National Fentanyl Awareness Day will be in May 2025. Jennifer asked Coalition Members for ideas and suggestions to increase awareness. The following were suggested: ○ Vintage Faire Mall Empty Chair Display ○ Stanislaus County Library Display ○ May launch on TikTok. ○ Post on Stanislaus County BHRS Instagram ○ Display Empty Chair at high schools. ○ Order One Pill Can Kill t-shirts and wear on NFAD and post picture. ○ Rally at different parts of Modesto wearing One Pill Can Kill t-shirt from 12-1. Provide materials, Narcan. ○ Art display at 1010 10th Street and provide award. Post on social media and request friends to repost. ○ Hold a community march wearing One Pill Can Kill t-shirt. ○ Participate in the Christmas parade. ○ Participate in the Cinco de Mayo parade. Wear One Pill Can Kill t-shirt. ○ Light the Night candlelight vigil. ○ Expand the empty chair campaign and have businesses/organizations display at their offices or on the front sidewalk. ○ A mascot named "Hope" to walk in the parade with the families would be amazing. I don't know what animal might be best to represent StanHOPE, but maybe a Lion for courage or a star for light. • Jennifer announced she will be developing a planning workgroup and asked for volunteers. Jennifer will email the date and time for the planning workgroup. She also asked Coalition	

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	Members to email her any additional ideas or suggestions.	
E. COPN Accelerator 6.0 Grant	Jennifer gave an update on the COPN Accelerator 6.0 Grant. Jennifer stated they responded to the request for application through the Public Health Institute in December of 2024. Jennifer was hoping to hear back in early January but has not received a response. Once Jennifer hears back, if the grant was awarded, she will provide information to the Coalition. Jennifer thanked everyone involved in the grant writing and those who provided information and ideas.	
F. Coalition Website - Refresh	- Marcela Berber provided a tutorial of the new Stanislaus County Opioid Safety Coalition Website. Jennifer asked Coalition Members to email her any ideas or suggestions they would like added to the website. The following were suggestions: - Add a training video on how to administer Naloxone. - Add the Fact sheets. - Add information on the Stanislaus County Suicide Prevention Education Coalition (SPEC). - Add the BHRS Instagram link.	
G. Announcements, Final Reflections & Closing	- Jennifer announced she will be providing a Fighting Fentanyl Together presentation on Friday, January 17, 2025, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at The Rock Central Valley Saved and Sober, 200 North Avenue, Turlock, CA. This presentation is open to the community. - Amy provided the flyer for the MJC Healthy Living Series Spring 2025 schedule. All presentations are through Zoom and are open to the community. - The BHRS 888 Access Line, option 4 connects you directly to the Mobile Crisis Team who responds to an SUD crisis in lieu of the police department and EMS. EMS will be called if needed. - Jennifer announced the access cards for the 988 National Suicide and Crisis Lifeline will be updated to include mental health and SUD services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. - The Stanislaus County Office of Education is hosting a Homeless Conference on January 27, 2025, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at the Martin G. Petersen Event Center, 720 12th Street, Modesto.	
H. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned, and the group was reminded the next meeting will be Thursday, February 13, 2025, at the Stanislaus Veterans Center (Hybrid Meeting).	
Next Meeting	Date: February 13, 2025, Time: 9:00 – 10:30 am Location: Stanislaus Veterans Center, 3500 Coffee Road, Suite 15, Modesto and Via Teams	