

## **OPIOID SAFETY COALITION MINUTES**



Type of Meeting:	Opioid Safety Coalition Meeting	Date:	May 8, 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 welcomed everyone, introduced herself, and asked all new attendees to do the same.	
B. Overdose & Poisoning Death Data Coroner Data and ODMAP	<ul> <li>Jennifer reported on the Stanislaus County Overdose and Poisoning Deaths Coroner Preliminary Death Data on closed cases as of 4/22/25 for 2025. There has been a total of 35 drug-related deaths, 13 were fentanyl related, 2 other Opioids, 12 Meth, 3 alcohol related, 1 cocaine related and 4 were other.</li> <li>Jennifer shared suspected overdoses from ODMAP by month for January 1st thru May 8th for the year 2024 and 2025. For 2025 there has been a total of 435 suspected overdoses, 56 suspected fatal overdoses and 176 cases where Naloxone was administered.</li> </ul>	
C. Recent Media Coverage & Drug Store Project	<ul> <li>Jennifer shared 582.32 lbs. of medications and 147 lbs. of sharps were collected at the Drop the Drugs event on April 26, 2025, at the Ceres Police Department.</li> <li>Jennifer shared the news clip from Fox 40 News regarding the National Fentanyl Awareness Day Empty Chair Display at Vintage Faire Mall on April 29, 2025.</li> <li>Jennifer also shared the news clip from KCRA 3 News on the Ceres Police Department Press Release and the Drug Store Project at Walnut Grove School in Patterson, CA on May 6, 2025.</li> <li>Jennifer stated there was great feedback from students regarding the Drug Store Project and will share the survey results at the next meeting. Jennifer thanked everyone who participated at the Drug Store Project.</li> </ul>	
D. Resources	<ul> <li>Jennifer announced a free training opportunity available through Open Doors. The training focuses on engaging youth experiencing substance use and behavioral health challenges in an authentic and supportive manner. It is designed specifically for non-clinical staff. Jennifer asked whether this training would be of interest to the Opioid Safety Coalition (OSC), and based on the positive feedback received, efforts will be made to schedule the training for this fall.</li> <li>Jennifer also shared resources from Stanford Medicine's REACH Lab, which has developed several evidence-based and evidence-informed prevention and intervention toolkits and</li> </ul>	

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	curricula. These materials aim to reduce substance use among adolescents and young adults and are available at no cost.	
	<ul> <li>Additionally, Jennifer introduced two sticker designs—one promoting mental health awareness and the other highlighting Naloxone awareness—and asked coalition members if they would be interested in using them as outreach resources. The group supported the idea, and Natalie will move forward with creating the stickers, which will then be distributed to interested members.</li> </ul>	
E. Narcotic Treatment Program Survey	<ul> <li>Jennifer reviewed each of the questions from last BHRS Prevention Services NTP. A discussion ensued and recommendations made. Changes will be made, and an updated version will be brought back to the OSC. There was also discussion regarding who the target audience will be and expanding it beyond NTP's, i.e. used among outreach teams.</li> </ul>	
F. Announcements, Final Reflections & Closing	<ul> <li>Save the Date postcards were provided for The Not My Child 5K Walk/Run on Saturday, September 20, 2025.</li> <li>The Clinical Education Initiative Hepatitis C &amp; Drug User Health Center of Excellence is providing a training on Caring for Pregnant and Postpartum Persons with Opioid Use Disorder on Thursday, May 8, 2025, at 1:00 pm. Jennifer will email the registration link to interested Coalition Members today before 1:00 pm.</li> <li>Jennifer encouraged Coalition Members to follow BHRS on Instagram for behavioral health updates and upcoming events.</li> <li>Paula announced BHRS Relationships Engagement, and Community Health (REACH) will officially launch on May 12, 2025. REACH is dedicated to connecting individuals who qualify for SUD services but may be unaware of or unable to access them. The team will provide infield support in community spaces frequented by people who use substances, offering services such as SUD screenings, assessments, transportation to treatment programs, referrals to supportive resources, and harm reduction tools like Naloxone and fentanyl test strips.</li> <li>Christie Hoffmann announced there will be an event held at Gather on May 22, 2025. They will be planting fresh herb flowerpots. All proceeds support the annual Grief Retreat and provide counseling for families grieving the loss of a child due to the Fentanyl epidemic.</li> <li>Dyana Inthavong announced Aegis Treatment Center will soon be providing an additional MAT injection medication. More information will be provided once launched.</li> </ul>	
G. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned, and the group was reminded the next meeting will be Thursday, June 12, 2025, at the Stanislaus Veterans Center (Hybrid Meeting).	
Next Meeting	Date: June 12, 2025, Time: 9:00 – 10:30 am Location: Stanislaus Veterans Center, 3500 Coffee Road, Suite 15, Modesto and Via Teams	