

## Alcohol and Other Drug Addiction Advisory Council

### Minutes – February 8, 2024, via Teams

**Voting Members:** Elyse Grossman (Chair), Isabelle Raquin (Co-Chair), Nick Borowski (Co-Chair), Malliga Iyer, Laura Mitchell, Ed “Bunny” Rich & Denyse Dillon

**Newly Appointed Members:** Michelle Scarlett, Irene Gumucio, Thomas Chu, John Sidhom, Dr. Alan Trachtenberg & Katrina Bust

**Ex-Officio Members:** Dr. Rolando Santiago, Pam Abramson, Lt. Peter Davidov, Celia Serkin, Jody Childers, Ben Stevenson II, Samar Khleif, Kyle Potter, Celia Sirkin

Guest / Public: Tim Harwood & Henok Solomon

- I. **Call to Order:** Chair called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Chair acknowledged Newly Appointed Members. Must receive orientation before you can vote.
- II. **Presentation:** Dr. Eric Weintraub, professor of psychiatry, Director of the Division of Addiction, Research and Treatment and Associate Director of the Kahlert Institute of Addiction Medicine at the University of Maryland, School of Medicine. PPT will be shared with members.
- III. **Committee Reports:**

➤ **Legislative & Communications: Chair**

- ❖ Push back on written Testimony. More to come on this process.
- ❖ Permission to for the AODAAC Newsletter. The focus is to Highlight, Educate & Advise.
- ❖ Will be meeting with County Council (Funding Priorities) Meeting is open to whomever would like to attend.
- ❖ Memo on Cannabis rollout’ hope to have this completed prior to the March Board meeting.

➤ **Training & Outreach: Nick**

- ❖ Ideas discussed for the upcoming 2024 Spring Forum. Adolescent Active Listening.
- ❖ Dr. Sivabalaji Kaliyamurthy at Children's & Howard does youth MOUD Informing and training primary care and pediatricians on MOUD an idea we discussed for the Spring Forum.
- ❖ Discuss what an adolescent goes through in recovery the good and bad. Post acute withdrawal and Relapse. More to come

IV. **County Reports:**

➤ **Department of Health & Human Services: Dr. Rolonda Santiago**

- The emergency response a reality to the Fentanyl crisis focused on Target areas such as Aspen Hills, Wheaton Glenmont Corridor. Identity organization, prevention program providing outreach to schools and youth in the community. *Please see Dr. Santiago’s report emailed to all members.*

➤ **Local Behavior Health Authority:** Ben Stevenson reporting for Sara Rose, LBHA Director

- ❖ LBHA met with BHA. Positive feedback well received. Thanks, AODAAC for your input.
- ❖ Seventeen new RRP beds in progress.
- ❖ 8% increase rates for LCPC LMFT are Medicaid reimbursable.
- ❖ Reopening adolescent substance treatment program. Waiting on MLY from the State.
- ❖ Several webinars 2/13 Understanding Youth Suicide, Family Forum 2/24, Federal & County Partnerships
- ❖ Girl Summit 3/9 Sara will be modeling in the fashion show.

➤ **HHS Substance Use Prevention & Harm Reduction:** Ben Stevenson II

- ❖ Youth Ambassadors (38) students to date, goal is to reach 100 by June. 8 of the students are Narcan trainers.
- ❖ Upcoming Presentations; Spring Brook, Wheaton Community Center 3/16.
- ❖ Nine ORP's in the County.

➤ **Board of License Commissioners:** Not Present. Please see full report emailed to members.

➤ **Montgomery County Police Department:** Lt Pete Davidov.

- ❖ 2023- 250 Overdose's and 96 of those were Fatal. Youth- 12 overdose's and 80 non-Fatal.
- ❖ 2024 -18 non-Fatal and 4 Fatal.
- ❖ Lt Davidov discussed the importance of providing community outreach to younger children(elementary) before they reach middle school age.

➤ **Alcohol Beverages Services:** Jodi Childers (Please see full report emailed to members)

- ❖ Annual Calendars over 1,000 mailed to license holders along with renewal package.
- ❖ Kiss Awards, still collecting videos. All entries due March31st by 4pm.

➤ **Montgomery County Public Schools:** Kyle Potter (Please see full report emailed to members)

- ❖ Kennedy High school Substance use Prevention groups (40 students signed up)
- ❖ Narcan use is significantly lower this year, reports half of where they were last school year.
- ❖ Second Girl's Summit March 9, 2024, at Northwood High School.

➤ **Correction & Rehabilitation:** Not Present No Report

➤ **Mental Health Advisory Committee:** Celia Serkin (Please see full report emailed to members).

- ❖ MHAC held a meeting on February 6, 2024. The agenda was power packed with outstanding presentations and interactive discussions. PPT all emailed to members.

➤ **Commission on Health:** Not Present. No Report

➤ *Nick is the OIT liaison: Nothing to report yet. More to come.*

**V. New Business: Chair**

- New Orientation for Newly appointed members will be scheduled prior to the March meeting.
- 2023 Oct, Nov. Dec Minutes not approved (no Quorum). Hope to be approved at the March meeting.
- July – August Board does not meet.
- May is Spring Forum in lieu of a Board meeting. February 13<sup>th</sup>. A planning meeting is scheduled 2/13/24 at 4pm. If interested send Pam an email.

**V. Public Comment**

Laura several events being held this month (will send information/ flyers) to Pam to email out.

**Next AODAAC Meeting: March 14, 2024**

**VI. Adjournment: 8:57p.m.**

Minutes by

*Pamela S. Abramson*

AODAAC Staff Liaison

**Chat Resources:**

Tim Harwood

<https://cossup.org/Topics/DeflectionDiversion/DeflectionLibrary>

Two champions of law enforcement diversion/deflection worth talking to:

Jac Charlier, PTTAC <https://ptacollaborative.org/>

Kevin Hall, Assistant Chief, Tucson PD

<https://www.tucsonaz.gov/Departments/Police/About-TPD/Assistant-Chief-Kevin-Hall>

