

Consortium March 15, 2016

Hill County Health Department 12:00 pm

Kim Larson opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees

Introductions conducted

No additions or corrections to previous meeting, minutes accepted

Task Group updates:

Mental Health Awareness update by Amber Spring -

Amber reminded us the group has formed 3 subcommittees: the Community Assessment is working on PHQ9 and PHQ 2 depression questionnaires and what local providers are actually doing with the results, ie: appropriate referrals and follow-up. Work is on-going on the Resource directory. Mental Health First Aid classes will be offered March 25th (8 hr class), April 18th (4 hours), April 25th (4 hours) at HRDC. Youth Mental Health First Aid is offered April 29th at Bullhook by Lindsey Reichelt.

QPR (suicide prevention) training is being offered March 21st, 6:30 to 8:00 pm at Bullhook Community Health Center.

Amber Spring is writing a letter regarding barriers to optimal and timely mental health care in this community, sending to local healthcare providers and the Havre Daily News- so watch for it!

Substance Abuse reported by Ron Kling -

Continue with recruitment efforts– meetings are 12 noon at Bullhook Clinic. Next meeting March 17th 12 noon at Bullhook Community Health Center.

Partners and Prevention reported by Wanda Meredith -

Nothing to report – discouraging and on hiatus due to attendance. Wanda said they would be delighted with any input or suggestions to help restart group. Family Planning continues to provide outreach to the college and local bars.

Old Business –

OPEN Gym – Jessica Kennedy-Stiffarm, will be using this forum to report on the Havre Trails group. Havre Trails will be putting bike racks up around town in the future.

Program Updates:

Health Department – Kim Larson -

Health Department is sponsoring a Wellness blood draw March 24th at 6:30 to 9:30 am, also offering, in conjunction with the BC/BS Care Van, limited immunizations. Child Find April 12-15 at Methodist church. Health Dept. is fully staffed at present.

NFP- Kim Larson -

Our full time NFP nurse Megan Wilkie is seeing clients and adding new clients. Funding is stable. Megan is meeting with Northern Mt. Family Center staff March 29th. Watch for NFP advertising.

DES – Dave Sheppard –

Reported an increase in Zika calls to DPPHS who state MT. mosquitoes do not support the Zika virus. The CDC will be sending out PSA's as spring break is approaching.

Bullhook Community Health Center– Ron Kling-

Bullhook Community Health Center received a grant for \$393,000 for Heroin and Opioid treatment. The Health Center is working with the Drug Court, Detention Center, High School and FBI.

NMH – Christen Obresley -

Christen Obresley reports the Hospital is working on their designation as a Baby Friendly provider.

Family Planning-Jessica Kennedy-Stiffarm-

Wanda and Jessica have been providing Hepatitis C testing outreach to Eagles Manor, Rocky Boy and Fort Belknap. This is a new test with results in 20 minutes. April is STD awareness month.

Havre Public Schools- Jeri Erickson –

A reminder of a free eye glass program going on in Harlem this week.

Jeri is in charge of Bullhook Community Health Center Asthma Program and reports one provider at Northern is consistently referring clients. Her case goal is met.

White Skye Hope- Aracella Ramos-

Aracella is presenting Town Hall meetings soon (1 at Box Elder 5/11/16 and 1 at Rocky Boy 5/18/16). This event is focused on participants learning about Preventing Underage Drinking, discussing prevention. SAMHSA is providing a small stipend for planning the events. She will email a flyer soon as community members are invited. She already has the tag line done also by an Elder in Cree "Be the Best You Can Be".

WIC – Nicole Hungerford-

Outreach is paying off, have had an increase of 20 clients in the last 2 months. Referring appropriate clients to NFP. WIC department will be attending the Breast Feeding Learning Collaborative in later April.

MSUN-Amber Spring-

The Rape Prevention Grant is on hiatus currently, the grant runs for another year with the long term goal of a Take Back the Night event. April activities- (our)April will email all a poster of these activities: Silent Witness, Clothesline Project, Denim Day and a Ribbon Campaign. Also will be showing the Matthew Shepard documentary with the Safe Zone Initiative.

Wanda reminded us of the upcoming HCV Today presentation 3/24/2016 at the Best Western Plus by Brian Pearlman, MD, FACP

A very BIG thank you to Aracella Ramos and Kaylene Big Knife for our Consortium logo.

Jenelle Warren from our radio stations attended meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting June 21, 2016