

**Tuscarawas County Anti-Drug Coalition Meeting**  
**Friday, June 7, 2013, Noon**  
**ADAMHS Board Meeting Room**

Present:

Mike Davies, Community Corrections  
Andrea Hanson, Citizen  
Bill Harding, TCGHD  
Jim Hubert, Coroner, TCHD  
Brian Kress, ADAMHS Board  
Julie Laughlin, Community Corrections  
Danielle Lurie, ADAMHS Board  
Dee Phillips, Citizen  
Jodi Salvo, PFCS  
Dave Schaffer, ADAMHS Board  
Debra Wildin, Trinity Hospital

**Meeting Summary:**

Dave Schaffer, called the meeting to order in the absence of Co-Chairs Orvis Campbell and Judge Thomakos at 12:05 p.m. Introductions were made.

**Committee Updates:**

**Youth** – J. Salvo reported no current activity with the Youth Council at this point due to summer break. She recapped that students in the Tusky Valley district were very active this past year and that the New Philadelphia School District has expressed an interest in developing a Youth Council. Salvo commented that adding youth-led drug prevention programming to existing school-based youth group activities is a good strategy. She also commented that Youth to Youth has a small funding reserve that can be accessed in order to expand programming and to provide additional training exercises.

**Grants** – There was no information to report however D. Schaffer shared the Carroll County Coalition has an active representative from the Juvenile court and which is beneficial to the Coalition for data collection. The Tuscarawas Coalition remains hopeful to fill this gap in the future.

**Employment** – There was no update from the Employment Committee however it was noted that there was low turnout at the most recent event.

**Public Relations** – The Public Relations update was moved on the agenda to be discussed with Agency/Community Updates.

**Medical** – Dr. Hubert shared that some jurisdictions have reported a decrease in the number of prescriptions written for pain medications due to the change in legislature with regards to the OARRS system, however heroin related arrests and deaths have increased significantly. Dr. Hubert shared other updates on substances of abuse including a new soda which allegedly includes liquid THC and various types of synthetic THC. D.

Schaffer reminded members that both the Tuscarawas and the Carroll Coalitions have passed resolutions opposing medical marijuana. J. Salvo shared concern regarding the need to educate parents, teachers, etc. about medical marijuana legislation and the risks associated with “mixed messages” that youth receive from the proponents of medical marijuana legislation. Finally, D. Wilder shared that a percentage of individuals arriving at the ER continue drug-seeking behavior. She also reported that when physicians and other staff are not responsive to their requests that they sometime react aggressively.

**Legislative** – D. Schaffer briefly discussed the removal of Medicaid expansion from the budget.

**Agency/Community Updates:**

D. Schaffer provided an update regarding the Problem Gambling and Addiction Funds. PFCS has been approached to provide coordination services on behalf of each of the Coalitions with a portion of these resources. The ADAMHS Board/PFCS agreement will also enhance management and communication between the Coalitions and partner agencies such as school districts. A portion of the funds can also be used for treatment and enhancements to each of the Coalitions websites.

J. Salvo reported that she and a co-worker are scheduled to attend a training on June 19<sup>th</sup> regarding problem gambling resources. This is the first training offered regarding the Problem Gambling and Addiction Funds.

The next meeting of the *Bearing the Weight of a Loved One's Addiction* series is scheduled for June 27, 2013 from 6:30 – 8:00 at Union Hospital. Based on success of the first session a large turnout is expected. The meeting will be advertised.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for, July 5, 2013 at the ADAMHS Board office however the July meeting date may change based on the availability of the “I Spy Room” and holiday.