

C-FORT TEAM MEETING MINUTES March 24, 2022, 2pm Via Zoom

1. Introductions

Participants were asked to use chat box to enter their name & agency affiliation

2. C-FORT Updates

• Review of Overdose Data, ED Visits Data, Louis Leake

• Agency Updates- The program coordinator position is still vacant. It has been difficult to hire for the position but applications are being reviewed.

3. Presentation

Information sharing on Hepatitis among SUD population: local hepatitis testing, screening, resources, and efforts. Presentation by Alba Natale, Communicable Disease and STD Supervisor, Cumberland Health Department

Melissia shared that the Alba Natale will be presenting on Hepatitis among the SUD population. NC DHHS has released an updated plan and recommendations to address the rising number of cases related to Hepatitis in NC. Several of the strategies align with the NC Opioid Action Plan (linkage to criminal justice system, syringe exchange, MAT, etc.). See the link below for more details regarding the comprehensive response recommendations.

<u>https://epi.dph.ncdhhs.gov/cd/hepatitis/ViralHepatitisNorthCarolinaComprehensiveResponseRecommendatio</u> <u>ns 2 18 2022.pdf</u>

Alba Natale presented on hepatitis and shared her contact information if CFORT members wanted to reach out further with questions.

4. Next Steps

Moving Forward with C-FORT

CFORT members/participants were encouraged to attend the next meeting which will be held on Thurs April 28, 2022 via Zoom.