



**Cumberland County
Public Health Department**

C-Fort Minutes December 15th, 2022

Speakers:

- Louis Leake, CTC Fayetteville
- Charlton
- Greg Berry, NCHRC
- Elijah Bazemore
- Orlando Smith: CC-DPH Social Worker
- Dr. Jennifer Green
- Kendle
- Eva

Updates:

-Major Elijah Bazemore, Vital Strategies

- is working to bring Substance abuse community resource center, to Cumberland County. Shooting for January. Goal: MAT in the detention center; working on a timeline, however looking at Jul to start.

Chris Dudley (CVF Overdose report)

- January. 1-December.12, 2022 = 1098
- 686 males, 412 females
- still working on fatality
- 91 patients haven't made contact.

- 300 can no longer be located.
- 78 overdoses were from out of county.
- 627 actual contacts
- 36 received inpatient/outpatient treatment.
- \$350,000 2-3yr grant

Orlando Smith, Social Worker updates:

BJA Funds for housing

- contact David Reach
- they will pay the 1st mo. Rent
- received \$1600 funds
- 11 individual use those funds of those 11; 4 females & 7 were males. 2 have dropped of the 9 & only 1 required an extra month.
- Xylazine is still in our community, Robeson County. A lot of people are displaying signs of it. Getting people care is still a barrier.
- ask to look for additional funding for c-fort because xylazine infections is getting worse. Community partners are needed.
- They were given wound care kit, to help people treat their own wounds. Antibiotic ointment, wipes, sterile water, etc. But we are advocating for medical care.
- When you refer them to treatment they won't go because of embarrassment. -Dr. Green will f/u with our hospital/medical social workers.

Elijah Bazemore:

- We have a million-dollar grant to go towards this need. We don't want to overwhelm our resources we want to add more resources like reaching out to Methodist, FSU, etc.

Dr. Green Opioid Settlement:

- 3rd project MAT in our detention center.
- We are hiring an LCSW to do administration & peer support. Getting those individuals connected to services.

- Hiring a local public health administration to help with mental health, settlement funds, and homelessness.
- There will be more staff support.
- Elijah laid out strategic plans at the detention center, working on putting a timeline down.
- RFP- for individuals that's in treatment/recovery. Our RFP was written in a way to support this population.
- If they get funded, they must sit in on these meetings. It would be nice if we could get 1-2 judges to sit in these meetings.
- Green will F/u with Alvin pertaining wan invite.

Kendle update:

- Stated, we receive \$50,000 a year until 2026
- Xylazine was written with the grant
- Data collection has improved
- Working to get other organizations like the law enforcement involved. Looking to see who is missing at the table.
- Looking to providing several \$1,000's towards Narcan's
- has 200 lock boxes
- Wants all to reach out if you need to take advantage of the resources.
- Kendle will send a picture to Dr. Green so she/we can see the sizes of the pouches. -We have medical disposal bags
- Funds available for full-time coordinator with Methodist University, FTCC. -Starts February 1st.

Lisa James- (New grant writer)

- Intervention-working on bringing psychiatric care at their facility.
- provider coming from Raleigh for one day. If needed will increase from one day to multiple - YPR: young people recovery.
- a free virtual Dec. 29th youth voices 7pm eastern. Serena Gun- Recovery advocacy. Stornello, heal holistic.
- Delta 8 vape pen from manufacturers has been contaminated with fentanyl.