



## Prescription Drug Core Group Meeting

October 18, 2016

1:00 p.m.

**Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family – Conference Room B**

1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007

A general meeting of the Prescription Drug Core Group was convened on October 18, 2016 at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family, Conference Room B, 1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230 Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

### Members Present (10)

**Sheila Sjolander**, Chairman, Arizona Department of Health Services

**Deborah Miller**, Co-Chair, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

**Duce Minor**, Parker Area Alliance for Community Empowerment, Inc. (PAACE) (via phone)

**Jenna Jones**, Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners (via phone)

**Tomi St. Mars**, Arizona Department of Health Services

**Jacqueline Kurth**, Industrial Commission of Arizona

**Travis Williams**, Arizona Attorney General's Office

**Chief Thomas Kelly**, Apache Junction Police Department (via phone)

**Carlena Orosco**, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (via phone)

**Shelly Mowrey**, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) (via phone)

### Staff/Guests Present (4)

**Tracy Cruickshank**, Maricopa County Department of Public Health

**Keith Walker**, Maricopa County Department of Public Health

**Ana Vargas**, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

**Bob Shogren**, Director, Governor's Commission on Service & Volunteerism

### Members Absent (2)

**Lauren Prole**, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

**Elizabeth Dodge**, Arizona Board of Pharmacy

### Call to Order

**Sheila Sjolander, Chairman**, called the Prescription Drug Core Group meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with 10 members and 4 staff and guests present.

### Welcome/Introductions

**Sheila Sjolander, Chairman** welcomed everyone and asked them to introduce themselves.

### Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the meeting held September 27, 2016 were reviewed. Tomi St. Mars made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Duce Minor and approved by all.

### **AmeriCorps Grant**

**Bob Shogren**, Director, Governor's Commission on Service & Volunteerism, provided an overview of AmeriCorps State funding opportunities and a brief description of AmeriCorps national service program. Mr. Shogren stated that at the National AmeriCorps level, the opioid epidemic has been identified as a major concern and area of focus for AmeriCorps funding at the state level. Mr. Shogren stated that Arizona has been awarded a \$50,000.00 grant to assist the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family address Arizona's opioid crisis. Additionally, competitive grants for organizations that propose AmeriCorps programs to operate in Arizona to combat the opioid crisis are also available. Mr. Shogren would like to work with the Core Group to apply for funding and utilize the Core Group partners to lead a program or programs to compact opioid use in Arizona.

Tomi St. Mars asked for additional information regarding the grant application process and details/specifics.

Mr. Shogren stated that he would be happy to work with Ms. St. Mars in developing a program design and specifics if interested in pursuing the grant.

Deborah Miller, Co-chair asked those members interested in pursuing the new funding opportunity to include her and/or Shelia Sjolander in any discussions, so as not to duplicate efforts from Core Group members. Also, members who decide to be a "lead agency" need to be identified by early November.

### **Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Presentation**

**Ana I. Vargas**, Deputy Director, Waste Programs Division, provided an overview of ADEQ's efforts of public education regarding the safe disposal of prescription drugs. Ms. Vargas stated that the agency is currently updating the brochures and public information provided on their website regarding prescription drug disposal and Arizona's Biohazardous Medical Waste Rules. Ms. Vargas stated that as information is updated, she will provide the information, links, and brochures to the Core Group and GOYFF to include in the updated website and Toolkit.

Core group members suggested at ADEQ add the [dumppedrugsaz.org](http://dumppedrugsaz.org) to their materials and website.

Shelly Mowrey asked if ADEQ could provide a "one-pager" that provides information for the public regarding the disposal of liquids/creams/sharps.

Ms. Vargas stated that she will have the agency review current materials and provide a new "one-pager" is one is not already available.

### **Rx Initiative Toolkit Follow-up**

**Shelia Sjolander, Chairman**, provided the members with the notes and strategy updates decided upon at the September meeting. Ms. Sjolander asked that Tracy Cruickshank, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, provide an update as to the progress of updating the materials in the Toolkit.

Ms. Cruickshank stated that her office is progressing very well on the changes and updates provided by the Core Group Members to her staff. Ms. Cruickshank requested that all updates be sent to her as soon as possible in order to meet the November deadline for submission of updated Toolkit materials.

### **Agency / Partner Updates**

**Sheila Sjolander, Chairman**, called for updates.

Travis Williams provided information regarding the Deterra Drug Deactivate System and the GPS pill bottle presented at the 2016 National NADDI Conference he attended. Mr. Williams agreed to provide more information and a presentation at a future meeting.

Jacqueline Kurth stated that her office continues to provide presentation statewide on the Treatment Guidelines from the Industrial Commission.

Tomi St. Mars stated that Kingman Police Department's Naloxone program had their first "save". ADHS has been working closely with Kingman Police Department on their program implementation.

### **Future Meeting Dates**

- Next meeting is scheduled for:
  - Tuesday, November 29, 2016 - 1:00pm to 3:00pm Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family – Conference Room B, 1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007

### **Future Agenda Items**

- Cox Communications Webinar for Strategy 4 of the Toolkit
- Fotonovela – Hispanic and Latino educational program – Southwest Behavioral & Health Services
- Review of Toolkit update

### **Adjourn**

**Sheila Sjolander, Chair**, called for a motion to adjourn.

Tomi St. Mars moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:50pm. Motion was seconded by Jacqueline Kurth. Meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm.