



Behavioral Health Coalition

OF ADAMS & TAYLOR COUNTY

Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2024

11:45 A.M.

CHI Health Mercy Corning
603 Rosary Drive
Corning Iowa 50841

Attendance at the meeting

Debra Schrader, Coalition Leader

Darla Dolecheck, ZION Integrated Behavioral Health Services

Lisa Carstens, ZION Integrated Behavioral Health Services

Brandy Hollander, Parent Partner

Katie Maynes, CHI Health Mercy Corning

Courtney Adair, Matura 1st Five

Taylor Wilson, Matura Head Start

Beth Roghair, CIAC

Jenny Robinson, Quad Counties 4 Kids

Brittany Shinn, CIAC

Kristie Nixon, SWCC PAT

Rachel Cecil, Heart of Iowa

Jessica Paulsen, Presbyterian Church

Candance Engstrand, Page County Public Health

Mason Hague, Zion

Warren Dukes, Wellpoint

Materials

Coalition meeting materials are in Google Drive, and they are located [here](#). Agendas and minutes are located at <https://behavioralhealthcoalition.org/>.

Welcome/Introductions

At 11:45 Debra Schrader opened the meeting and introductions were made. CHI Health Mercy Corning provided complementary lunches for those who reserved one.

Review of Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the August 2, 2024 meeting were reviewed and were accepted.

Presentation

Kristie Nixon provided a presentation about the Parents as Teachers program. Kristie asked for input regarding referrals, currently 8 Adams County families are being served and the program has capacity to serve more. It was suggested to work with the MCO's for referrals.

Agency Updates

- Lisa Carstens, Certified Prevention Specialist, ZION Integrated Behavioral Health Services. Lisa shared that ZION has opened a new office in Creston at 216 West Montgomery Street. This office has a counselor available on Monday's and Thursday's from 8 am to 6 pm. This is an outpatient office that can treat clients for Substance Abuse and Problem Gambling serving Adair, Adams, Cass, Clarke, Dallas, Decatur, Fremont, Madison, Montgomery, Page, Ringgold, Taylor and Union counties. There will be a ribbon cutting on Thursday, September 12 from 9 am to 11 am. Lisa has been working with Southwest Valley to set up LifeSkills curriculum this year, as well as other presentations. September is Responsible Gaming Education Month. Lisa shared tips from the American Gaming Associations Have a Game Plan Toolkit – set a budget and stick to it, keep it social, learn the game, and play legally. She also shared 1-800-BETSOFF recourses to take and use.
- Warren Dukes will be retiring from Iowa Total Care, direct all inquiries to Lorin Renner lorin.renner@wellpoint.com.
- CommonSpirt has a grant offering of \$8500.

FY24 Mission and Ministry Violence Prevention Grant Update

Beth Roghair reported that Lenox and Southwest Valley Schools have sessions scheduled for the fall. Four curricula will be offered, Coaching Boys into Men, Athletes as Leaders, Second Step, and Second Step for high school. Outreach continues with Bedford schools. 9% of grant funds have been expended.

Health & Human Services Department Alignment Efforts

Adams and Taylor County will be in region 4. HHS released the RFP for the administrative service organizations (ASO's). Proposals are due October 18th and awards will be by December 30, 2024.

Future Violence Prevention Planning

A letter of intent is due September 13, 2024 for new violence prevention grant that impact policy and practice for emergency response.

Data

Deb shared the following:

- Medicaid birth data was shared in 2023 Adams County had 30 births with 14 paid by Medicaid or 46.7%; Taylor County had 54 births with 26 paid by Medicaid or 48.1%; the state average is 41.2%.
- School shooting data was shared; In 2023 there were 349 school shootings with 249 fatally or wounded.

Community Health Needs Assessment

CHI will be conducting a community health needs assessment December 5, 2024 from 11:30-1:00 and will be the major part of the Coalition agenda.

Next Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M. The next meeting is October 3, 2024 at 11:45.

Respectfully submitted, Debra Schrader, CHI Coalition Leader