

# Region 9 Opioid Settlement Governance Committee

August 14, 2025 Hybrid Meeting In person location: 14980 E Alameda Dr, Aurora, CO 80012 Littleton Room

Join Zoom: https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/82587151977

Representation	Name	Present (Y/N)	Delegate present (Y/N)
Appointed by the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners	Rhonda Fields		N
Appointed by the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners	Leslie Summey		N
Public Health Director of the Arapahoe County Public Health Department	Jennifer Ludwig	Y	
Director of the Arapahoe County Human Services Department	Dan Malkelky		N
The Arapahoe County Sheriff	Tyler Brown		N
Representative appointed from a municipal law enforcement agency within the AC Region	Lonnie Eddy	Y	
Representative appointed from the County Court system or District Attorney's Office or their designee by the BOCC.	John Kellner		Y (Joel Z)
Representative appointed by the City of Aurora	Francoise Bergan (Aurora)	Y	
Representative appointed by the City of Centennial	Mayor Stephanie Piko	Y	
Representative to represent the west side of the County, appointed by majority vote of the Cities of Englewood, Sheridan, and Littleton	Steven Ward (Englewood)	Y	
Representative to represent the east side/smaller communities of the County, appointed by majority vote of the remainder of the municipalities	Trish Stiles (Bennett)		Y (Denise)

## Quorum (6)?

### **Participants**

- 1. Kendra Davis, Arapahoe County
- 2. Brianna Robles, Steadman Group
- 3. Courtney Lange, Steadman Group
- 4. Callie Tucker, City of Aurora
- 5. Todd Weaver, Arapahoe County
- 6. Ayla Fraschetti, Hazelbrook

- 7. Amy Tharp, Centennial City Council
- 8. Elicia Chacon, Arapahoe County Public Health
- 9. Denise Taylor, Town of Bennet
- 10. Devin Granberry, City of Sheridan
- 11. Joel Zync (DA designee for Amy) Y
- 12. Allison D with One Chance to Grow Up
- 13. Sarah Prader, AllHealth
- 14. Health Lin, Finance Arapahoe
- 15. Emily Van haecke, Englewood Police Department
- 16. Theodora Barychewsky, Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
- 17. Drew Thompson, FullCircle

#### **Proceedings**

- 1. 1:00pm: Welcome (10 minutes)
  - a. 1:03pm Brianna Robles welcomed the Region 9 Opioid Abatement Council and provided and overview of the agenda.
  - b. Roll call was conducted and a quorum was later established.
  - c. Governance (5 minutes)
    - i. Membership check-in, 7 members present: Quorom
    - ii. June Meeting Minutes Approval
      - 1. Motion to Approve- Francois Burgois; second motion, Mayor Piko; 1:08 pm approval of minutes
  - d. Program Spotlight: Arapahoe County Public Health (10 minutes)
    - i. Elicia Chacon
      - 1. Program overview/refresher (SSP, testing services, education/trainings, resource connections)
      - 2. Updates
        - a. safer smoking materials
        - b. englewood location
        - c. improved data collection
        - d. sexual health program improvement
        - e. new external partners
      - 3. Rapid Response for STIs
        - a. RN within HR mobile unit for rapid STI testing
        - b. So far, total of 2 syphilis treatments and 2 chlamydia treatments
      - 4. Demographics of participants
        - a. 734 unduplicated clients
          - i. 43% BIPOC
          - ii. Average age: 42 years old
      - 5. Upcoming
        - a. Hire a health educator, expand the team
        - b. Increase volunteer program

- c. Maintain all current programming
- 6. Questions:
  - a. Is there a way for the Council to get data on referrals to treatment following the harm reduction services?
    - i. Follow Up: Elicia to collect available data and send over to TSG for dissemination
- e. Quarter 3 Evaluation Update (10 minutes)
  - i. Bri to provide the Council with data updates of the data submissions over the last two quarters
    - 1. Treatment: Arapahoe County Sheriffs Office and Signal (1,180 total reach)
    - 2. Prevention: CCSD (157 youth), Rise Above, and Amelie
    - 3. Recovery: Hazelbrook, Hornbuckle, Tribe (1,185 total reach, 13 new peers trained and employed)
    - 4. Harm Reduction: ACPH (963 individuals served)
    - 5. Total Reach: 3,485 people served in Arapahoe County with 8 programs funded
- f. Finance Update (10 minutes)
  - i. 1:39 pm Heather Lin to share a finance update
    - 1. July 31st, 2025 \$4,936,522 in cash
    - 2. \$1,424,904 upcoming allocated per funded programming
    - 3. \$3,511,618 available after funding that is previously allocated
- g. Strategic Planning & Workgroups (55 minutes)
  - i. Where we've been | Where we're headed
    - 1. Colorado Opioid Settlement Tracker (COST) Deadlines: September 15th and November 15th
    - 2. Strategic Planning and making decisions around cyclical funding opportunities
  - ii. Ongoing funding decisions for current programs
    - Current programs for review on continued funding and consideration of adding transportation to the funded organization's scope of work
      - a. Hazelbrook: additional housing and supportive services, care management, outreach staffing
      - b. Tribe Recovery Homes: more staffing
      - c. Hornbuckle: transportation, office/group space, therapeutic services
        - i. Need more information on medicaid billing within their full proposal
      - d. Arapahoe County Public Health
      - e. Cherry Creek School District: need information on impact as it relates to substance use prevention, would like to see a report on outcomes, would like to see a full proposal in the Spring
      - f. Signal: do not have transportation capacity

- g. Amelie: continue with the campaign.
- h. Rise Above: Increase funding to include in-person programming of the *Not Prescribed* lesson in schools and continued/expanded Connect Effect Campaign.
  - Note: AllHealth mentioned they provide the *Not Prescribed* lesson in 40 schools and also bill Medicaid for it.

**ALL ORGS ABOVE**: to submit a more formal proposal with full budget to include transportation line items, include successes in last 2 years, scope of work for next funding cycle

- i. Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office: need just an amendment for now to include transportation services in leaving incarceration
- iii. Workgroup Tasking: Scope of Work and Allocation Worksheet
  - 1. Family Services / Youth Recovery
  - 2. Detox
  - 3. Co-Response
  - 4. Next Steps:
    - a. TSG will develop final draft scopes from the workgroup documents and bring back to the Council for approval in September to move to RFP processes.
- h. Updates (10 minutes)
  - i. New resources and links were provided for further information
  - ii. Next Meeting: 9/11/2025 1:00-3:00pm virtually
  - iii. Next in-person meeting will be in November.
- i. Closing (10 minutes)

#### Asks:

- Share referral pathways from ACPH
- Share COAC dashboard to Council
- Hornbuckle: need clarification on whether or not Medicaid is billed for therapeutic services
- Follow Up with Mayor Piko and RideToo (ross@ridetoo.us | 503 421-1163)
- Ask CCSD to be our next program spotlight