Region 9 Opioid Council

4.11.24

Agenda

- Welcome *(20 mins)*
  - Roll Call and intros
  - Overview of funding
- Protocol Building (*30 mins*)
  - Onboarding new members
  - Letters of support for Opioid Settlement funding
  - Other external requests
- Strategic Planning (*60 mins*)
  - Evaluation (15)
    - Logic model input
  - Determining approach for goals (25)
    - Near(er) term – Building Workgroups
      - Prevention and Awareness Campaign
      - Workforce Development
      - Ridgeview Campus
    - Long(er)-term – Discussion (20)
      - Withdrawal Management Facility
        - Building Council capacity for implementation
- Governance *(5 mins)*
  - Approval of 3/14 minutes
- Closing *(10 mins)*
  - Opportunities
  - Next meeting

	Representation	Name
Voting		
	Appointed by the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners	Bill Holen
	Appointed by the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners	Leslie Summey
	Public Health Director of the Arapahoe County Public Health Department	Jennifer Ludwig
	Director of the Arapahoe County Human Services Department	Cheryl Ternes
	The Arapahoe County Sheriff	Tyler Brown
	Representative appointed from a municipal law enforcement agency within the AC Region	Dustin Varney
	Representative appointed from the County Court system or District Attorney's Office or their designee by the BOCC.	John Kellner
	Rep appointed by the City of Aurora	Francoise Bergan (Aurora)
	Rep appointed by the City of Centennial	Stephanie Piko
	Rep to represent the west side of the County, appointed by majority vote of the Cities of Englewood, Sheridan and Littleton	Steven Ward
	Rep to represent the east side/smaller communities of the County, appointed by majority vote of the remainder of the municipalities	Trish Stiles (Bennett)

Roll Call and Intros

NAME, ORG, SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE

Funding Overview

Priorities being implemented

- Peer support: ~$210K/yr

- Sober living: $203,663/yr

- MOUD in jails: $572K/yr

- Co-responder assessment: $74,325 (X1)

- Harm reduction: $265,402/yr

- Youth leadership/prevention: $978,878 (over 2 yrs)

Total dollars accounted for = $3,555,301

Priorities to develop

- Workforce Dev: *$100K*

- Prevention/Awareness campaign: *$100K*

- Ridgeview Campus

- Withdrawal Management Facility (detox)

- Evaluation

Currently available to address above priorities = $2,352,330

	Available Funding Amount	Funding Requested	Balance (Amount - Requested)
REGION 9- ARAPAHOE	$10,320,872.46	$5,907,631.39	$4,413,241.07

Protocol Building

Why? Part of workplan to sustain council over 17 years. Potential opportunities for collaboration, funding, impact etc.

Once agreed upon, protocols relevant to community can be posted on Council website and added to shared drive

We may have to add additional "protocols" as new issues emerge!

Purpose: To build a streamlined and consistent process for bringing new voting Council members up to speed when they join. To sustain the Council over the 17-year settlement.

Process

- Facilitator responsible for initial outreach
  - 60 min meeting to walk through shared drive, existing priorities, Council roles and responsibilities
  - Must occur before 1st Council meeting attended
  - Chair and Vice Chair to join?
- All new members introduced at their first meeting
- *Anything else? What do Council members need to be successful?*

Region 9 Protocols - Onboarding

Region 9 Protocols – Letters of Support

Purpose - to apply a consistent approach for requests for letters of support from the Region 9 Opioid Council

To be considered for a ROAC LOS, the applicant MUST

- Email facilitator and staff support with request as far as possible ahead of submission deadline with the following info:
  - Name of group or organization, grant title and name of funding agency, name of the person and institution to which the letter should be addressed
  - Sample/pre-written letter of support
  - Short paragraph highlighting objectives of the grant application; brief explanation of why R9 should support; and how (if at all) the Council will be engaged in the project
  - A one-page summary of the proposed scope of work
  - Any particular instructions or guidelines that may apply

The Council process:

- Facilitator and staff support will review request, ensure applicant included all info and ask is *relevant to council.*
- Facilitator will send request via email to Chair and Vice Chair for review prior to next meeting.
- Request will get added to the next meeting agenda for BRIEF Council review, discussion, and vote
- If approved, the Chair will sign on behalf of Council endorsing the LOS. Chair or facilitator can return the LOS

Region 9 Protocols – External Requests

Purpose – To apply a consistent approach to external requests or inquiries asked of the Region 9 Opioid Council
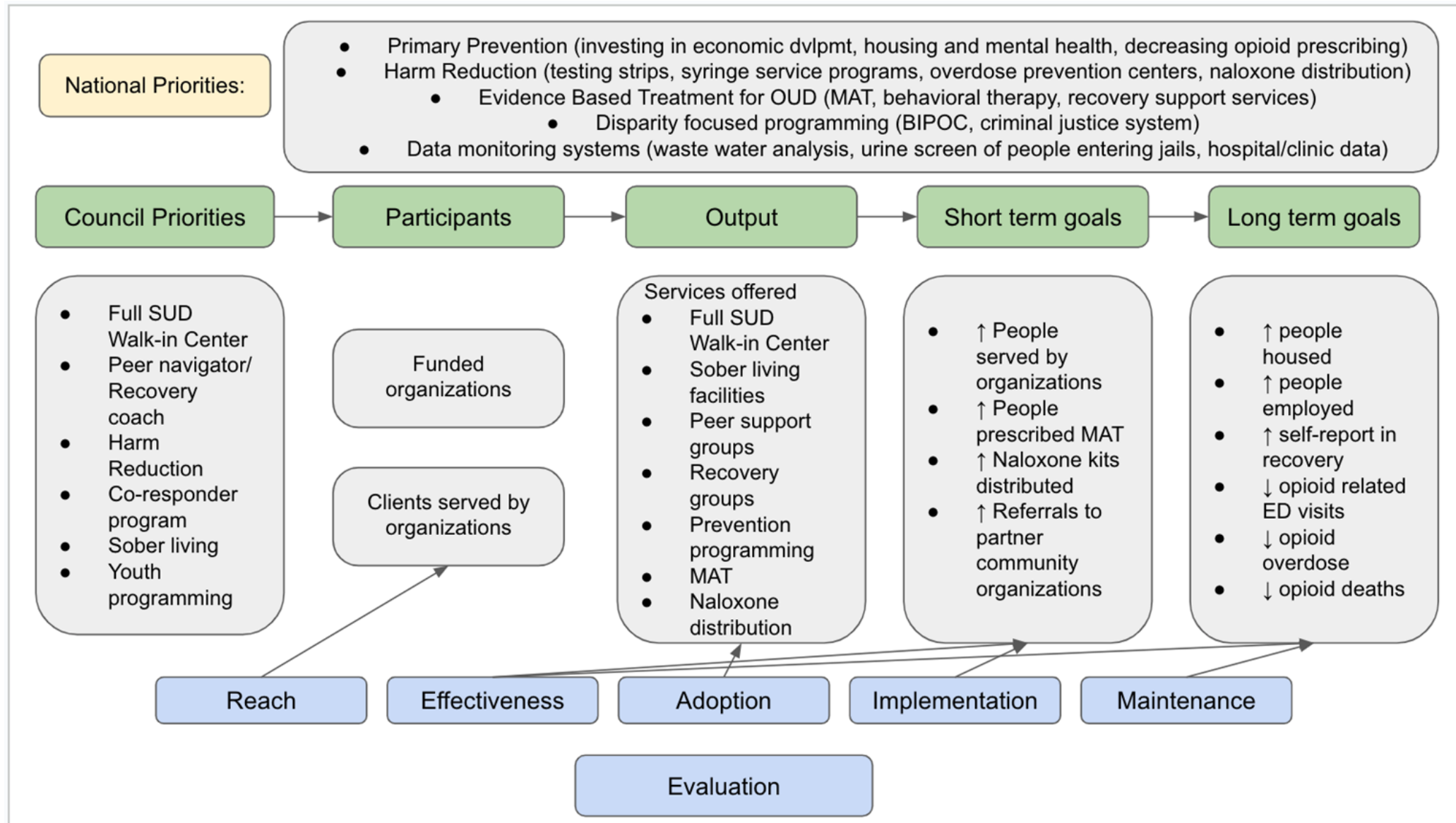
All requests sent to facilitator and staff support for review including the following info:

- Name of group or organization requesting
- Short paragraph highlighting specific ask; brief explanation of why R9 should support; and how (if at all) the Council will be engaged in the work
- A one-page summary of the proposed scope of work including any financial requests of Council
- Any particular instructions or guidelines that may apply

Council Process

- Facilitator and staff support will review request, ensure ask included all info and is relevant to council.
- Facilitator will send request via email to Chair and Vice Chair for review prior to next meeting.
- Request will get added to the next meeting agenda for BRIEF Council review, discussion, and vote.
- If Council is interested but requires additional information, requester can attend the following meeting.

Strategic Planning

Approach for Goals

Near(er) Term Goals

- Workforce Development

- Prevention and Awareness Campaign

- Ridgeview Campus

Long(er) Term Goal(s)

- Withdrawal Management Facility

Today's ACTION:

- Confirm best channel for further goal development

  - Depending on goal, this might include SOW drafting for an RFP process, or conversations w/ community or other SMEs

- Members to select new workgroups!

Long(er) Term Goals - Process

Withdrawal Management Facility

- Procurement suggests taking this through formal RFP process

- What is the Council's capacity to build the scope/plan?

  - **Do we have the subject matter expertise?**

  - **Do we have the extra time/commitment it will take?**

  - **If not, what's missing?**

- Options

  - Council feels they have what they need to draft SOW, outreach to potential partners, and re-bid

  - Steadman to lead, requires more time than existing SOW. Could amend contract?

  - Leverage OS funding to bring in external expert to project manage the development

Near(er) Term Goals - Prevention and Awareness Campaign

Prevention and Awareness Campaign -- $100,000

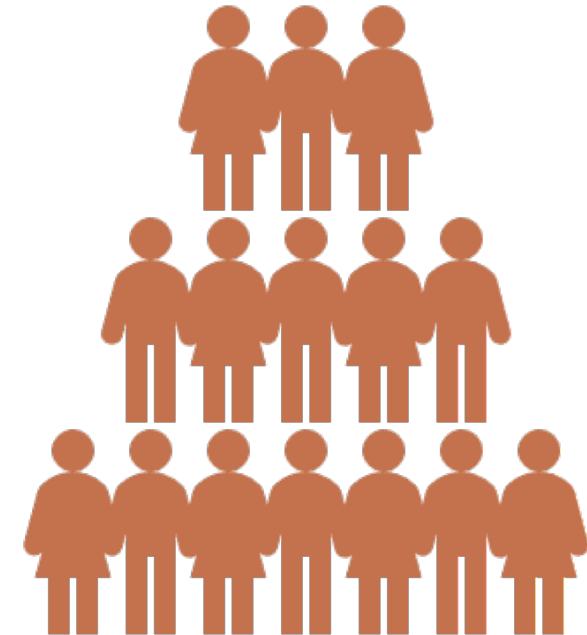Goal: Determine specifics for a R9 prevention and awareness campaign.

- **Target audience(s)**
- **Local context**
- **Specific focus (stigma? Resources?)**

Near(er) Term Goals - Workforce Development

1. Workforce Development - $100,000

- **Goal: Develop program that leverages settlement dollars to fund student tuition costs (LAC, CAS, CAT, etc)**
  - Easy to give money to the schools and they manage students
  - Students don't pay anything
  - Partially funded by state - mechanism for funding these scholarships already exists
  - Relatively quick turnaround into workforce
  - Very low administrative burden

Near(er) Term Goals - Ridgeview Campus

- Determine their ability to expand long term housing

  - Ensure ROAC money would only fund Arapahoe County Residents;

  - Discuss opportunity with other potential funders

  - Transportation!

  - More of a collab/conversation than the other 2 workgroups

Next Steps

1. Considering discussion we just had, briefly reflect on your subject matter expertise and potential conflicts of interest

2. Determine the group you'd like to support

   - Workforce Development

   - Prevention/Awareness Campaign

   - Ridgeview Campus

   - Withdrawal Management Facility

3. Break into small groups

   - Introductions

   - Identify any SME gaps

   - Write your group members and any self identified gaps on paper and bring to Brianna

Approval of [3/14 Minutes](#)

Closing

- Next Meeting –

  - 5/9, 1-3pm, CenterPoint Plaza

- Questions, comments, feedback?