



## Meeting Minutes July 3, 2024

### Welcome/Introductions – Jennifer McCready, LAA Director

**William Webb, Health Officer - KCHD** - Commissioners have officially approved the LDAAC Board Members. Welcome, Kathryn Dilley, Annette Duckery, Brett Forrest, Jennifer McCready, Carla M. Thorpe, Latonya Cotton-Tilghman, and Captain Steve Wallace.

Kent County LAA has integrated with Mid Shore Behavioral Health. Jennifer McCready will now be the Director of Community Addiction Services. The MOOR Grant funding deadline is July 26th.

**Carla Thorpe, Director - A.F. Whitsitt Center** - The Center's census is up. Preferred admission is walk-in. Walk-ins are Monday through Friday. Evenings on Tuesday and Thursday. We will be expanding staff. To schedule admission, please call 410-778-6404 and Press 1. Crisis beds are doing well. Wrap cards are available with all the information. Reach out to Jennifer or Desi.

### **Kenah One Health Care Services - Latonya Cotton-Tilghman, LCSW-C**

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**Avery Meyer - MOOR** - Email with information for the "Enough Initiative" will be coming out from the Governor's Office of Children. Competitive Grant Award funding has gone out.

**Pete Landon, Director - Kent Co. OES** - June 2024, a 56 year old was given 6 doses of Naloxone and sent for treatment. June 2023 - 2 suspected overdose calls

**Melanie D. Jones-Dalziel - MDH - State Care Coordination/OFR** June 2024, 14 State Care Coordination Enrollments, 5 went to Recovery House, 11 MDR and funding applications. OFR (Overdose Fatality Review) meeting, July 11th, 8:00 am at the RIM Center.

**Brett C. Forest - MDH -RIM/OPT/NHIH** - BackYard Bash was a success, THANKS to everyone who attended. Continuing Outreach on Monday's, along with Narcan Training and CPR Training. Our calendar is available online. 84 boxes of Narcan were given out in the community. 2 Peer Specialists will be starting on July 8th in collaboration with Mid Shore Behavioral Health.

**Chief Ronald Dixon** - National Night Out will be held at Worton Park, on August 6th. Games and vendors will be available.

**Vandrick Hamlin - Schools/Education** - Report given by Jennifer McCready; Summer School will be at Garnet Elementary School, July 8th - August 1st, 8:30am-2pm for Rising 1st grade to Rising 8th grade.

New Superintendent is Dr. Mary Boswell-McComas, who started July 1st, 2024.

**Christina Russell - DHS - START** - Looking forward to next year's BackYard Bash. Staff is available to do Mandated Reporting Training. [christina.russell1@maryland.gov](mailto:christina.russell1@maryland.gov)

## **New News & Other Information**

**Jennifer McCready** - We will be partnering with Minary's Dream Alliance for our annual life skills group with the youth. Author Rosi Greenberg will do an inner critic workshop that helps youth to deal with that little voice in their heads. Mooday's Music will also do a small workshop. An Alternatives to Violence workshop will be held to teach youth various ways to deal with violence in a non confrontational way and teach skills to deescalate negative situations.

**Minary's Dream Alliance** - Looking for vendors to participate at National Night out August 6th. Back to School Bash, will be held on August 25th at 1:00. Vendors are welcomed to attend. Please contact MDA if interested.

**Next meeting date: August 7th, 2024 @7:30am via teleconference platform.**

**REMINDER:** *If there is anyone from your agency that you would like to add or delete from the LDAAC meeting list, please reach out to Desiree Rochester at [desirees.rochester@maryland.gov](mailto:desirees.rochester@maryland.gov).*

***Thank you!***