

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ADDICTION ADVISORY COUNCIL
AODAAC
October 10, 2024 (Hybrid/In-Person)
MEETING MINUTES

Voting Members: Elyse Grossman (Chair), Margaret Mattson (Co-Vice Chair), Isabelle Raquin (Co-Vice Chair), Laura Mitchell, Irene Gumucio, Malliga Iyer, Michelle Scarlett, Thomas Chu, Nick Borowski

Non-Voting / Ex-Officio Members: Samar Khleif Sara Rose, Kelly, Celia Serkin.

Public: Laura Hart, Univ of MD School of Medicine student, Loretta Ingalls, Univ of MD. School of Nursing, Madison Ruppenthal, Amy Samman

*****6pm-7pm Subcommittee Meeting: Work session on the AODAAC Newsletter** Normal subcommittee meetings will resume in November***

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:05 pm. Member and guest introductions. Quorum present: 9

****September 12, 2024 Minutes were approved.***

Chair Updates: FY2025 Priorities doc. is complete and was submitted October 9, 2024. Opened floor for feedback and or discussion. Emailed out to Members.

Guest Presenter: *Anastasia Edmondson, MS CRC Administrative Officer III Traumatic Brain Injury Partner Project Coordinator Office of Older Adults and Long-Term Services and Supports Division of Treatment and Recovery Services Maryland Behavioral Health Administration.*
Presented on Brain Injury and Opioid Use Disorder. Additional handouts emailed and provided on site. Additional resources information will be emailed.

County Reports:

- DHHS: Not present due to illness.
- **LBHA:** Sara Rose provided verbal updates. Sept. 17, 2024 Montgomery County Council presented a Proclamation recognizing September 2024 as Opioid Awareness Month. October 9, 2024, proclamation received recognizing Mental Health Wellness. World Mental Health Day (October 10, 2024) is observed every October 10 to raise awareness of mental health issues.

- around the world and to mobilize support for those in need. Sept. 26, 2024, provided council updates on the Behavioral Health System; mapping, addressing gaps in services. Change/ Recommendations: Enhance reentry process, establish stabilization in services and create multidisciplinary teams. October 8, 2024, Overdose prevention Team (OPT) held a Listening session on the best ways to utilize Opioid abatement Funds. Good ideas shared by all. October 9, 2024, Lt. Governor Miller & Dr. Gupta presented at Kennedy High School, Narcan Training and engaged with students. Emily Keller, Special Secretary of Opioid Response toured the HHS Crisis Center and was updated on crisis services. Tree of Hope- Peer services for adults and peer services. LBHA pilot HUB expansion of behavioral Services in Maryland. Needs Assessment survey/ Mapping (5 questions) sent out for parents/ youth & students. Sara will send information to Pam to be shared.

- **Alcohol Beverage Services:** Please see full report at the end of the minutes.

- **Montgomery County Public Schools:** Not present

- **Mental Health Advisory Committee:** Celia Serkin provided updates. Please see full report at the end of the minutes. Please see full report emailed to members.

- **Police Department:** Not Present. Please see full report at the end of the minutes.

- **Corrections & Rehabilitation:** No Representation

- **Board of License Commissioners:** Man Choo provided a verbal report. Highlighting compliance process.

- **Commission on Health:** No Representation.

New Business:

Laura: Training the entirety of School Health Services (nurses, health techs, and administrators) in Youth Mental Health First Aid.

Public Comment: None

Announcement: AODAAC vacancy announcement was emailed. If your term has expired, you must reply. The deadline is October 23, 2024. Chat information will be emailed.

Adjourn: 8:59pm.

****AODAAC Ex-Officio reports below****

ABS Ex-Officio Report

AODAAC Meeting Date: September 12, 2024

**Department/Agency Reporting: Ex-Officio
Member Name:**

Roddy Aguirre, Community Outreach Manager

Agency Mission (particularly as it relates to AODAAC):

As a control jurisdiction, ABS facilitates the alcohol wholesale distribution to over 1,000 licensed establishments in the county. Along with the sale and distribution of a controlled substance comes a responsibility to educate and support the establishments served.

The Community Outreach Office works with license holders to ensure compliance. Helping communities flourish through the promotion of alcohol laws, public awareness and responsible hospitality practices are priorities.

Relevant data (i.e., overdose statistics/trends, substance use incidents in schools, etc.):

Current compliance rate holds above 85%.

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None at this time.

Current or potential collaborations with AODAAC:

ABS is working on creating a self-paced training for one-day licensees. This will include what they are allowed to do and what they are not allowed to do with a one-day license. In addition, ABS will have two new community outreach inspectors that will work with the community to inspect community events and work to educate the general public on the dangers of improper and unsafe alcohol sale, service, and consumption.

MHAC Ex-Officio Report

AODAAC Meeting Date: September 12, 2024 Department/Agency Reporting: Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC) Ex-Officio Member

Name: Celia Serkin, MHAC Liaison to AODAAC Agency Mission (particularly as it relates to AODAAC):

MHAC was established to advise the Montgomery County Executive and the County Council on matters concerning mental health. MHAC's work includes providing citizen oversight to all state-funded mental health agencies serving Montgomery County and serving as an advocate for a comprehensive mental health system for persons of all ages. The Committee helps to ensure that publicly funded mental health services are responsive to local needs, accountable to the citizenry and accessible to those in need. MHAC's work includes closely following State and County legislative proposals relating to mental health. Relevant data (i.e., overdose statistics/trends, substance use incidents in schools, etc.): MHAC had a meeting on September 3, 2024. At the beginning of the meeting, there were updates given on such topics as the Suicide Prevention Coalition and CAYAS Subcommittee. MHAC held elections. Libby Nealis was reelected as Chair and Michelle Grigsby-Hackett as Vice Chair. Libby Nealis will present MHAC's FY26 Budget and Non-Budgetary Priorities to the County Council Health and Human Services (HHS) Committee in October 2024 during the latter's meeting with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Boards, Committees, and Commissions (BCC's). Every June MHAC starts their discussion of the FY26 Budget Priorities. In October, the Chairs of all the BCC's meet with the HHS Committee of the County Council where they present their budget priorities/work priorities for the next fiscal year. An overview of these MHAC's FY26 Budget and Non-Budgetary Priorities was given during the MHAC meeting. Attached is the PowerPoint Presentation on these priorities. Below is a summary. MHAC FY26 Budget Priority: Increase Financial Support to Family and Adult Peer-Run Organizations Funded Through DHHS BHCS to Ensure Pay and Benefit Equity FY26 Non-Budgetary Priorities • Better Utilize Advisory Council • Opioid Settlement Decisions by Impacted Community • Bed Registry • Health Coverage Assistance Team (H-CAT) • Medicaid Coverage for Mental Health Services in Schools and Communities • Ensure that Activities Related to Mental Health Services are Evidence-Based (EBP) or Practice-Based Evidence (PBE). Increase Financial Support to Community- Based Family and Adult Peer-Run Organizations funded through DHHS Behavioral Health and Crisis Services Montgomery County Alcohol and Other Drug Addiction Advisory Council MHAC Ex-Officio Member Report 2 Highlighted was the important work that family peer-run and adult peer-run organizations are doing. There were examples given of how family peers help families in Montgomery County who have children, youth, and/or young adults with mental health, substance use, or co-occurring challenges. During the MHAC meeting, leadership from Behavioral Health and Crisis Services (BHCS) and the Local Behavioral Health Authority (LBHA), provided important input on the FY25 BHCS Budget and programs within specific program areas. • Monica Martin, Acting Chief of BHCS, gave an overview of the FY25 BHCS Budget. • Sara Rose, LCPC, Director of Local Behavioral Health Authority, discussed LBHA. • Arnecia Moody, LCSW-C, LCSW, LICSW, Senior Administrator, BHCS, DHHS, discussed her

program area. She mentioned youth adjudicated as adults who are incarcerated. Some are as young as 13 years old. There is peer support available to those who are incarcerated. • Dorné Hill, LCSW-C, Senior Administrator for Crisis, Intake and Trauma Services, BHCS, DHHS, shared information about her programs. Meredith Peace discussed the partnership of peers and therapists working collaboratively at the Crisis Center. MHAC was interested in knowing how the state budget cuts coming from the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) would impact the County. Sara Rose mentioned that the County was in line for behavioral health assisting living, but BHA stated that this would not happen as planned. The Leadership of BHCS and LBHA responded to inquiries MHAC had made about the following: • Homelessness and people having to sleep at the Crisis Center due to the lack of shelter • Waitlist - Adolescent and Adult Outpatient Clinics. Viviana Azar, who recently retired, gave this information to MHAC. Waitlists were discussed during the meeting. • Update on hospital overstays for mental health crisis • Status of hiring a new Chief of BHCS and what is being done to fill the position Relevant data (i.e., overdose statistics/trends, substance use incidents in schools, etc.): Current or potential collaborations with AODAAC: MHAC and AODAAC will continue to collaborate on various advocacy efforts and events.

AODAAC meeting date: 10/10/2024

Department/Agency Reporting: Montgomery County Police

Ex-Officio Member Name: Lt. Davidov

Agency Mission (particularly as it relates to AODAAC):

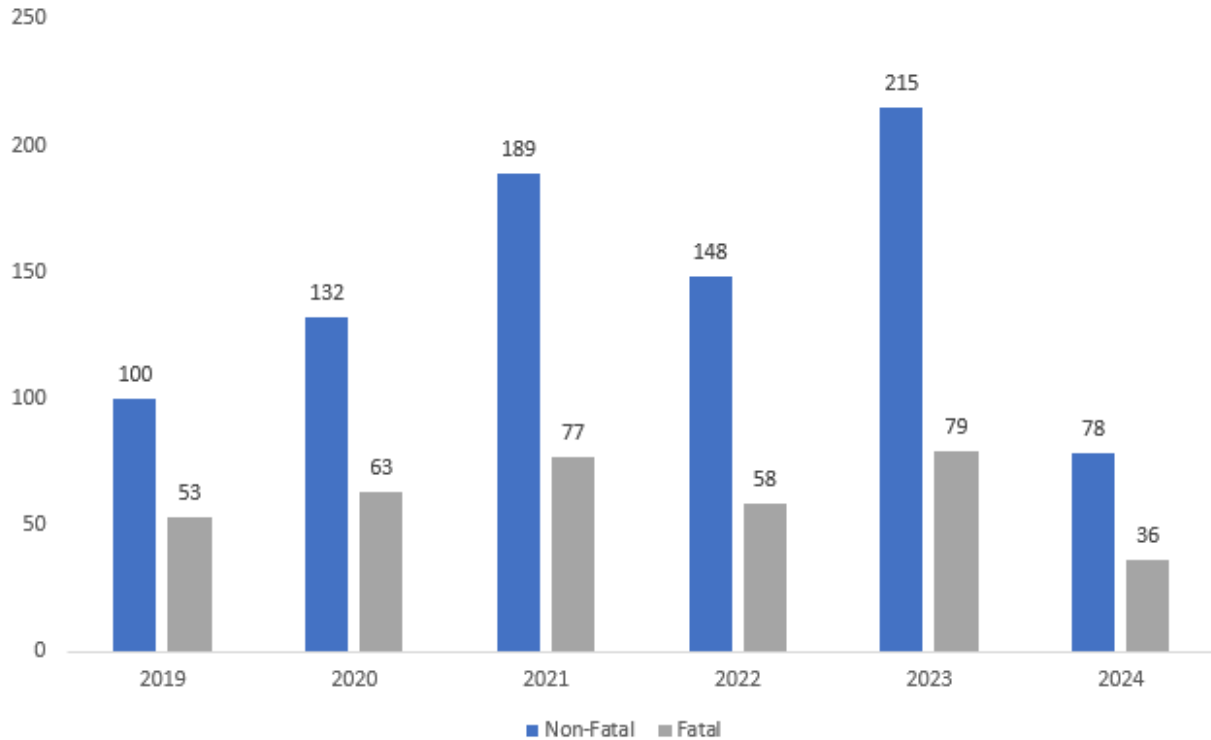
Actions/updates since last report:

Relevant data (i.e. overdose statistics/trends, substance use incidents in schools, etc.):

Opioid Overdoses Year-To-Date (YTD):

- Data includes overdose incidents that occurred between January 1st through October 11th each year.
- Data includes all age groups.
- Please note that the included opioid overdose data ONLY includes fatal and non-fatal overdose events that MCPD personnel were notified of/responded to.

- 2022 & 2023 fatal stats include suspected overdose incidents with toxicology reports pending- these numbers may change.



Non-Fatal overdoses are down 64% from 2023.

Fatal overdoses are down 54% from 2023 if all pending toxicology reports include opioids.

Youth Opioid Overdoses YTD:

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Youth Overdoses	2023	2024	Percent Change 2023-2024
Fatal	9	0	-----
Non-Fatal	79	23	-71%
Grand Total	88	23	-74%

- Youth overdoses are down 74% from 2023.

Current or potential collaborations with AODAAC:

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