



# RECOVERY TASK FORCE

Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention, Treatment and Recovery

Task Force Chair: Marty Boldin/Cheryle Pacapelli

February 10, 2017

Minutes

**Attendees:**

*In-Person:* Marty Boldin, Cheryle Pacapelli, John Carter, Dean Lemire, Lindy Keller, Sandi Coyle, Nelson Hayden, Doreen Shockley, Donna Marston, Carolee Longley, Rekha Sreedhara, Christine Pacquette, Jennifer Selfridge, Holly Cekala, Katy Shea, Joe Harding, James Vara, Tym Rourke, Charles ??, Tim ??

*By Phone:* Ginger Ross, Cori Sheedy, Polly Morris, Liz Hennig, Melissa Cruz, Yashira Pepin

**Updates from Priority Areas:**

Priority Area	Lead(s)	Status/ Accomplishments	Updates
<i>Co-Chair Update</i>	Marty Boldin		Cheryle Pacapelli has accepted the facilitating organization position with Harbor Homes. Due to a conflict of interest, she will be resigning as co-chair of the task force but intends to attend meetings as she is able.
<i>Recovery Housing Standards Subcommittee</i>	Cheryle Pacapelli	During the last legislative season funds were earmarked for recovery housing; however, the Housing Authority realized that specific recovery housing standards were unavailable. This lack of standards was the impetus of this subcommittee.	<p>-Cheryle shared a draft of the document. One suggestion was provided to include more information in the evidence section.</p> <p>-The next meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup> will focus on identifying the implementation structure (e.g. coalition ombudsman). It was suggested that additional RCOs be invited to participate in this meeting including Jim Joy, Eric Spofford, Mt. Washington Valley Supports Recovery (Ed McDonald), Farnum, Natalie Nielson, and the CoC Coordinators (Rob O'Hannon).</p> <p>-Final draft document is to be shared via email will all recovery house owners for feedback with Marty cc'ed on email.</p>
<i>State Plan Update</i>	Marty Boldin		<p>-An overview of the state plan template was provided.</p> <p>-The current state plan will expire at</p>

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the end of the year. In preparation, a new state plan will be developed for the next 3 years. The new plan will be focuses on all substances (including alcohol and other drugs).

- Planning will include all 8 Task Forces, commission members and their agencies and an ad hoc group which will include safety and law enforcement that will be headed by James Vara.
- The template is organized by steps, and will be data driven.
- Step 1: Identify and review guidance relative to the specific areas of focus of the task force as well as state resources
- Step 2: Based on data reviewed in the previous step, record observations of the data as they relate to the specific areas of focus of the task force.
- Step 3: Use observations of the data (Step 2) to identify at a minimum two priority areas and corresponding strategies to address identified areas of focus and specifically indicate the role your Task Force will play.
- Step 4: Include recommendations identified for other task forces that would be important to monitor over the next three years.
- Step 5: Identify additional measures and datasets, not mentioned above, that would be important to monitor over the next three years.
- Step 6: List additional stakeholders who were engaged with this process outside of task force members (e.g. focus groups).
- Step 7: Submit completed template to NH Center for Excellence staff by April 25, 2017 and present recommendations at the Governor's Commission Retreat on May 5, 2017.

			-Courtney Gray is working on scheduling a meeting to start working on the template. Carolee, Dean, Christine, Donna, Polly and Melissa would like to be invited to this meeting.
<i>Alcohol Fund Discussion</i>	Tym Rourke	The Alcohol Fund is a percentage of gross profits that the Governor's Commission (GC) can use at its leisure. If fully funded, \$10M (5%) would be available. The GC identifies priorities and the NH Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services (BDAS) is responsible for releasing RFPs and overseeing contracts.	<p>-Tym Rourke requested input from members on how these funds could be used within this particular domain, considering initiatives that are sustainable, efficient and are of quality. Joe Harding/BDAS also indicated that Block Grant funds are available to fund initiatives in addition to the Alcohol Fund. Tym requested models/ examples be shared as available.</p> <p>The following suggestions were shared:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Hire inspector/way to vet recovery houses</li> <li>-Offer culturally- competent training on how to address recovery in rural regions</li> <li>-Hire more BDAS staff to support initiatives</li> <li>-Offer peer recovery supports for youth</li> <li>-Implement recovery high schools</li> <li>-Develop marketing for task forces outside of state plan</li> <li>-Increase availability of programs like AWARE; bring treatment to the person at home and involve families in process</li> <li>-Increase/enhance workforce capacity</li> <li>-Develop voucher-based recovery support system</li> <li>-Re-entry supports including discharge planning and recovery housing</li> </ul> <p>-Marty Boldin will initiate a poll to schedule a follow-up call to discuss additional recommendations.</p>

**Next Meeting: March 10, 9:00-11:00am**

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***Vision:*** All persons affected by SUD seeking recovery support will be able to access services in their local communities.

***Mission:*** Promote effective community based Recovery Support Services by recommending to the Governor's Commission policies, practices and funding to address unmet needs in the continuum of care for SUD.

**Goal #1** – Support BRSS-TACS initiatives to identify recovery community and increase capacity to deliver Recovery Support Services

**Goal #2** – Identify funding sources for community based recovery services

**Goal #3** – Increase delivery of peer recovery support services by supporting workforce development initiative