



MILITARY TASK FORCE

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

Chair:
Brigadier General David J. Mikolaities

Co-Vice Chairs:
Victoria Bagshaw; Staff Sgt. Rick Frost

Advisor:
Dr. Andrew Breuder

Joint Military Task Force

19 April, 2018

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

DHHS Brown Building, Room 460

The mission of the Joint Military Task Force is to enhance awareness and advocacy as well as improve access to affordable, relevant alcohol and other drug related services for military members and their families through education and collaboration.

Agenda/Notes

⇒ **Present:**

Jo Moncher (DHHS)

Dr. Andrew Breuder (MOAA)

Chris Chant (CHI/Center for Excellence)

Chris Neiman (VAMC)

Linda Stone (WRJ VA)

Robert O'Hannon (BDAS)

Victoria Bagshaw (Easter Seals)

Staff Sgt. Rick Frost (NHNG)

Nancy Triantafyllou (Broadleaf, Inc.)

Brigadier General David J. Mikolaities (NHNG)

Elizabeth Baker (South Central RPHN)

Sarah Ward (New Futures)

Amy Pepin (CHI/Center for Excellence)

Kim Hillson (DHHS)

⇒ **Welcome and introductions:**

Brigadier General David J. Mikolaities (JMTF Chair) present at meeting

⇒ **Leadership changes:**

⇒ **February minutes approved**

⇒ **Updates from Priority Areas/old business:**

Priority Area	Lead(s)	TF Tasks/Other	Updates/notes
<p style="text-align: center;">Ask The Question (ATQ) campaign</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">JMTF</p>	<p>Development of ATQ guides for distribution</p>	<p>⇒ “NH Service Providers Join Ask The Question Campaign” draft guide/overview for providers developed by Rob and Sheena, including what to do if answer is ‘yes’.</p> <p>⇒ Much more info on ATQ website. This document as simple as possible. Limited to two sides. Sheena also put together a document showing how this would flow within an agency.</p> <p>⇒ Two documents are complementary. Still missing from the document: Success stories from asking the question. Rob’s recommendation is to send the document to all members of task force, as well as document with success stories to select two for inclusion.</p> <p>⇒ JMTF members take document to their providers for feedback. Sarah from New Futures asking for another member from JMTF to join her in meeting with Providers Association.</p> <p>⇒ Rick will make contact.</p> <p>⇒ Question from Amy P: Who will be officially issuing this document? Commission? Department? If from GC, would have to be approved by full commission. Presently, JMTF one-pager factsheet could be added to GC agenda for May 9th?</p> <p>⇒ CfEx could help with aesthetics and design of ATQ info sheet (depends on who is taking responsibility/ ownership for the document).</p> <p>⇒ Make a plan for distribution.</p> <p>⇒ Maybe aim for inclusion on agenda for GC meeting in late June?</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">How does document fit into overall action plan to get people to ask the question? What other strategies should be deployed at the same time?</p> <p>⇒ Ensure that ATQ is incorporated into new Medicaid screening questions/protocols. 7 IDNs (Integrated Delivery Networks) within NH, each with relative autonomy in determining protocol.</p> <p>⇒ Try to establish when all IDNs meet to potentially attend and present ATQ.</p> <p>REVISTED LATER IN MEETING:</p> <p>⇒ Sarah: Young Adult Prevention Task Force being started by Governor. Would be good to have military/veteran presence on that Task Force. Sarah Freeman from NH Providers Association very interested in work JMTF is doing on MCT and ATQ and would like to incorporate that into her annual conference in December.</p> <p>⇒ Nancy: There are already good MCT curricula out there. Mark? Liaison at Manchester Mental Health Center. Very knowledgeable and has Sue Brown’s curriculum. Sue Brown now at VFR.</p>

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			<p>⇒ Rick: Given that there are two months between meetings and lots to discuss regarding curriculum, would it make sense to have a separate work group?</p> <p>⇒ Jo: Wait until approvals are received from Amy and Diane. Probably only need to update resources from existing curriculum.</p> <p>⇒ Jo will ask Kim to update resources, then e-mail around to JMTF (and New Futures) to look over. New Futures will be out in the field over the summer to RPHNs, so any materials that are ready by then can be taken into the field then. MCT for UNH staff?</p>
<p>Military Culture Trainings</p>	<p>JMTF</p>	<p>Possible expansion of trainings</p>	<p>⇒ To what extent should ATQ be incorporated into military culture training? Should we be focusing more on providers with a higher percentage of military contact? Medicare/care for elder populations? Where there is a higher likelihood that they would be treating veterans and their families? Public outreach to be addressed comprehensively once materials have been finalized.</p> <p>⇒ Jo: On Feb 15, Governor issued Executive Order which puts Adjutant General's department in charge of coordinating military, veteran, and family services. HB 636 was an interim bill. Clarifies relationships between AG's Dept. and Office of Veteran's Services, as well as between AG's Dept. and HHS. Will make decision-making process more clear and straightforward.</p> <p>⇒ Amy: CfEx is publicly and privately funded. Currently subcontracting with NH Training institute for Addictive Disorders to provide training to substance misuse prevention providers. One discussion topic has been how to offer military culture training. Has been offered in state fairly regularly, but currently there is no funding mechanism to make it happen.</p> <p>⇒ Maybe a conversation with Training Institute and BDAS could raise that as an ongoing priority area in order to add it to the list of trainings provided by Training Institute. Training Institute coordinates appropriate experts to deliver relevant trainings.</p> <p>⇒ Rick has reached out via e-mail to Diane at TI.</p> <p>⇒ Governor's Strategic Plan places weight on military/veterans, so hopefully that will help with resource allocation.</p> <p>⇒ Jo: Last two veteran surveys (2013 and 2017), providers continued to identify lack of understanding of military culture as a need. DHHS has many different training materials produced by Dare Mighty Things and this group to contribute to curriculum.</p> <p>⇒ Add an ATQ component and include resources. If added to NHTI calendar, JMTF will be consulted regarding trainer and material recommendations.</p> <p>⇒ Rob: wondering if ATQ doc could coincide with development of MCT(?). It would be good to be able to provide details of MCT dates and times at same time as distribution of info sheet. Note: CfEX current contract up for renewal at end of</p>

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			<p>June. New training calendar will start in July.</p> <p>⇒ Development of action plan is key to all of the discussed elements. Rob will develop plan for distribution.</p> <p>⇒ Chris N: Could we make a modified version that would be a bit more geared toward smaller, independent practitioners/nurses? Ensure we are thinking about CEUs - Nurse Practitioners, PT, etc. – a broader reach.</p>
<p>Governor’s Commission Strategic Plan</p>	<p>Amy P.</p>	<p>Update</p>	<p>⇒ Commission had retreat in March; had lengthy discussions and made decisions about internal functions of Commission. Will be reviewing and refining input from task forces at meetings with chairs.</p> <p>⇒ Also doing key informant interviews with key sectors that aren’t well-represented on task forces (e.g., law enforcement and corrections) to ensure gaps are being filled within plan.</p> <p>⇒ Looking to finalize strategic planning and bring well-organized draft to meeting of co-chairs at end of May, get final feedback, finalize and bring to Commission’s June meeting. One of the objectives of the task force is to address the needs of special populations. Military and families are clearly identified as special populations. Will allow for support of continued work going forward.</p>
<p>JMTF Fact Sheet</p>	<p>JMTF</p>	<p>Distribution strategies</p>	<p>⇒ Fact sheet shared with 100 people at UNH School of Law. Panel of three judges presenting on how judges are responding to opioid epidemic. Judge Nadeau commented on JMTF’s work. Shawne Wickham from Union Leader shared with Jo that they have received a grant to cover the opioid epidemic; has asked to attend JMTF meetings in order to incorporate the work the group is doing into her reporting.</p> <p>⇒ How to distribute one-pager?</p> <p>⇒ Use existing civilian structures (e.g., GC) to weave in military awareness/issues.</p> <p>⇒ Rick/Victoria draft cover email to go out with fact sheet?</p> <p>⇒ Dr. Breuder can distribute via MOAA.</p> <p>⇒ Nancy can share with Diane at NHTI and posting board for licensed drug and alcohol counselors.</p> <p>⇒ VA(s) need to get permission but could then send out.</p> <p>⇒ DHHS Licensing Board Website (Kim)? (Already on the military programs DHHS website) Counselors’ Association.</p> <p>⇒ Other GC Task Forces (i.e., PTSD and TDI)?</p> <p>⇒ Rick will send copy to Ann Crawford (BDAS)</p>

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			⇒ Elizabeth B. can send to Elaine(?) at Community of Care Networks.
Letter to HUMANA	Eric		⇒ Could go to TriService Military (that runs Tricare -- Dr. Breuder)? ⇒ Include in RFP for whoever will replace Humana next (Rick)? ⇒ Co-chairs have made edits to letter. CC chair of Suicide Prevention Council. CC lots of people to get this out there. ⇒ Double-check for consistent language -- e.g., substance misuse vs substance use disorders. (Follow GC's language choice on this one) Or just 'behavioral health' services? ⇒ Going with 'behavioral health'. Colon or dash after GC in first line; Remove 'we feel'; ⇒ Rick will make changes and re-distribute.

⇒ New business:

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	JMTF	Use of YRBS data	⇒ CC will work to incorporate YRBS 2017 findings into presentation exploring differences in substance misuse between military and non-military youth. Aim to have ready by next JMTF meeting.

Our 2018 Meeting Schedule:

~~15 FEB, 2018~~
~~19 APR, 2018~~
 21 JUN, 2018
 18 OCT, 2018
 20 DEC, 2018

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