

**The Arlington Community Services Board
2120 Washington Blvd
Arlington, VA 22204**

**Substance Use Disorder Committee Meeting
Monday, November 25, 2019**

Attendees: Paul Kalchbrenner (chair), Suzanne Somerville, Jim Mack, Anthony Marles and Shawn Buckner (2 clients from Early Recovery)

Absent: Jeanette O'Keefe, Bobbie Jaeger, Tom Walker, Lonnie Ford, Grant Furick, Tonya Shivers and Wes Sanchez

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

- I. Introductions
- II. New Statewide Data on Overdose Deaths - Paul reviewed data from the state on overdose deaths. Arlington is comparable based on population in that the trend was highest in 2016 and 2017.
- III. Recap of Meeting with State Delegation Members -Paul gave an overview of the meeting that he had with the state delegation members. He also reviewed some potential legislative changes.
- IV. Status on Proposed Priorities for 2019-2020 – Paul discussed the CSB’s priorities for the upcoming budget year. The SUD committee did not have any budgetary requests due to ongoing grant funds.
 - A. Improve Linkages to Care
 1. Current Safe Station Program Update – plan to address with new Commonwealth Attorney after January start date
 2. Discussion on Strategy to Improve Outreach – Shawn gave an update on the overdose outreach and distribution of Narcan, Paul talked about the desire to increase outreach efforts
 4. Area programs to Reach Overdose Patients in Hospitals- not much progress at this time.
 - a. Improve Follow up
 - b. Improve Data Collection for Treatment and Recovery
 - B. Improve Regional Coordination
 1. Meeting with CSB-SUD members from surrounding counties.

C. Expand Membership of Arlington CSB-SUD Subcommittee

1. Ideas to create membership with more diverse background and experience.

V. Schedule –2019-2020 Committee Schedule

September 30 – Business Meeting

October 28 – Jail Visit – ACT Unit

November 25 – Emily Siqveland – Community Outreach/Prevention

December meeting cancelled

January 27 – Business Meeting

February 24 – Visit to Demeter House

March 23 – Possibly Parntership For Children, Youth and Families

April 27 – Review of Strategic Planning Session for AARI

May 25 – Business Meeting

June 22 – Visit to ASPAN

July 27 – Regular Meeting

- VI.** Open discussion about substance use needs in Arlington. Two visitors from Early Recovery talked about the program’s pros and cons and what they need to be able to remain in recovery. Suggestions included streamlined access to housing, better job opportunities, ongoing treatment for substance use.

Meeting ended at 9:05 p.m.

The December meeting is being cancelled due to the holidays. The committee will meet again on Monday, January 27 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting location is 2120 Washington Boulevard. The room has moved to Room 424.