



## Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition

Healthy Minds & Suicide Prevention Coalition

July 6, 2023

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Virtual via Zoom

### Minutes

#### Members Present:

Ajamu Akida, Howard County PFLAG  
Barbara Allen, James Place/ Opioid Collaborative Community Council  
Candace Ball, Local Children's Board  
Karen Basinger, University of Maryland-Extension  
Janel Cubbage, Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions  
Jessica Fisher, Howard County Health Department  
Karen Hull, Office on Aging and Independence  
Jessica LaFave, Department of Veterans Affairs (Maryland)  
Emily Phillips, Howard County Health Department  
Krupa Rami, Howard County Health Department  
Stephanie Reid, Howard County Health Department  
Chloe Sharman, Howard County Health Department  
Erica Stern, Howard County Public School System  
Laura Torres, Howard County Medical Center  
Laura Willemin, Grassroots Crisis Intervention

#### Staff Present:

Ashton Jordan, HC Local Health Improvement Coalition  
Reena Rambharat, HC Local Health Improvement Coalition  
Sonya Lloyd, HC Local Health Improvement Coalition

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	<p>Ashton Jordan, Community Engagement Coordinator, for the Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition (HCLHIC), called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.</p> <p>Mr. Jordan provided a welcome to members in attendance and had members introduce themselves via chat.</p>	

<p><b>Review of Previous Meeting's Minutes &amp; Announcements</b></p>	<p>Mr. Jordan shared the following announcements with workgroup members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The next quarterly LHIC Meeting will be July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 8:30am-10:30am (in-person/hybrid)</li> <li>- There are two upcoming Unity in the Community Resource Fairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 7/29/23, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ East Columbia Library Park - 6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia 21045</li> </ul> </li> <li>o 8/19/2023, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 2325 Roxbury Mills Rd, Cooksville, MD 21723</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>- The Elkridge Midway Mobile Home Community Event will be July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 6620 Washington Boulevard, Elkridge, MD 21075</li> </ul> </li> <li>- The Laurel Mobile Home Event will be August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 10060 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Laurel, MD, 20723</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The following announcements were made by the members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Reena Rambharat, HCLHIC, announced that Jessica Fisher will has taken on the role as the new Suicide Prevention Coordinator.</li> <li>- Ms. Stephanie Reid, HCHD, shared that there will be a CAMS Care training at the health department October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.</li> <li>- Ms. Jessica Fisher, HCHD, shared that she will be the point of contact for 988 supplies.</li> <li>- Ms. Sonya Lloyd, HCLHIC, shared that workgroup members can request food pantry and hot meal brochures from the LHIC website. She also mentioned that the Movement Workgroup has started promotions for Walktober.</li> <li>- Ms. Barbara Allen, James Place/OCCC, shared that they will be hosting an event for</li> </ul>	<p>Members were directed to register for the Full LHIC meeting here: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-hclhic-full-coalition-meetings-tickets-433126562207">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-hclhic-full-coalition-meetings-tickets-433126562207</a></p> <p>Members interested in attending the Unity in the Community Resource Fair please contact: <a href="mailto:bbarnwell@howardcountymd.gov">bbarnwell@howardcountymd.gov</a> for more information</p> <p>Members interested in tabling one or both mobile home events please email: <a href="mailto:ajordan@howardcountymd.gov">ajordan@howardcountymd.gov</a> or <a href="mailto:slloyd@howardcountymd.gov">slloyd@howardcountymd.gov</a></p> <p>Members interested in attending the CAMS Care training please contact Stephanie Reid: <a href="mailto:sreid@howardcountymd.gov">sreid@howardcountymd.gov</a></p> <p>Members interested in adding their physical exercise events to the LHIC's Walktober calendar can email Sonya Lloyd: <a href="mailto:slloyd@howardcountymd.gov">slloyd@howardcountymd.gov</a></p> <p>Members interested in more information on the Farmer's Market can reach out to: <a href="mailto:slloyd@howardcountymd.gov">slloyd@howardcountymd.gov</a> or <a href="mailto:brambharat@howardcountymd.gov">brambharat@howardcountymd.gov</a></p>
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	<p>International Overdose Awareness Day on August 31<sup>st</sup> at St. Johns Episcopal Church.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Reena Rambharat, shared that there will be a Farmers Market at the HCHD Ascend One building on the following dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Tuesday July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM</li> </ul> </li> <li>o Friday August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM</li> </ul> </li> <li>o Tuesday September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM</li> </ul> </li> <li>o Food Assistance and Benefits will be accepted</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>Gun Violence Solutions Presentation</b></p>	<p>Mr. Jordan introduced Ms. Janel Cabbage, Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions, to present on Gun Violence Solutions. Ms. Cabbage presented information on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Case for Time and Space</li> <li>- Development of Extreme Risk Laws</li> <li>- Maryland’s ERPO Law <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) Informational Toolkit</li> <li>o Who can petition?</li> <li>o Possible risk behaviors</li> <li>o General Process</li> <li>o Length of ERPOs</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Emergency Petitions vs. ERPO</li> <li>- Safe Storage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Maryland Safe Storage Map</li> <li>o What safe storage looks like <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Storing firearms unloaded and locked</li> <li>▪ Store and lock ammunition separately from firearms</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Members were directed to view the ERPO informational Toolkit here:</p> <p><a href="https://health.maryland.gov/bh/suicideprevention/Pages/extra-risk-protection-order-informational-toolkit.aspx">https://health.maryland.gov/bh/suicideprevention/Pages/extra-risk-protection-order-informational-toolkit.aspx</a></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ensure the key and/or combination is inaccessible to persons at risk of suicide</li> <li>▪ Temporarily remove firearms from your home</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Counseling on Access to Lethal Means</li> <li>- Case and Local Examples</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Stephanie Reid inquired about Safe Storage locations in Howard County as she noticed there weren't any displayed when viewing the Maryland Safe Storage Map. She mentioned to the group that it may be conducive for us to reach out to law enforcement to further our safe gun storage efforts in HC.</p> <p>Ms. Barbara Allen inquired on the usage of the safe storage capacity, if people were going out of jurisdiction to get guns removed from the home, if every jurisdiction needs safe storage capacity, and is it accessible.</p> <p>Ms. Janel Cabbage gave an overview of Jaelyn's Law, essential a child access prevention law, and iterated that states with stronger child access prevention laws have lower child suicide rates.</p> <p>Ms. Barbara Allen inquired about treatment programs requiring clients to turn over their SNAP/Food Assistance cards. Mr. Jordan informed Ms. Allen that he would connect her with Reena Rambharat to provide insight on this issue if available.</p>	
<p><b>Next Steps &amp; Wrap-up</b></p>	<p>Mr. Ashton Jordan mentioned that the next Full LHIC meeting will be July 19<sup>th</sup>. He also shared that meeting minutes will be available on the LHIC website after the meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Jordan adjourned the meeting at 2:54 pm.</p>	<p>Members were directed to register for the Full LHIC meeting here:  <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-hclhic-full-coalition-meetings-tickets-433126562207">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-hclhic-full-coalition-meetings-tickets-433126562207</a></p>

Respectfully submitted by  
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