

Overdose Fatality Review Team Meeting Minutes

Date: January 14, 2021

Attendees: Jordan Crummett, Michele Trofatter, Chris Thomas, Jennifer Tourville, Karen Pershing, Phil Major, Sam Lee, Darinka Mileusnic, Chris McLain, Candace Allen, Brian Winbigler, Greg Roberts, Lauren Allard, and Amy Dolinky

- Call to order and introductions
- Approval of minutes—no minutes to approve
- Set the agenda
- Open Meetings information
 - Public and media can attend the monthly OFR Team meetings
 - Using the chat feature or directly unmuting of participants for asking questions and discussion
- Chris Thomas- Regional Forensic Center data presentation
 - 2018-2020 data from Regional Forensic Center regarding drug overdose deaths in Knox County- 2020 data not fully complete with cases waiting to be finalized from 2020
- Case selection criteria
 - Current selection criteria is the age range of 25-44 years of age as primary data pool
 - Case selection criteria is based on data from TBI, the Knox County Sheriff's Office, initial search criteria suggestions, as well as information from other groups working on similar projects and reporting
- Presentation of data analysis
 - Areas of data discussed: basic demographics, location, evidence of administration, substances at the scene, toxicology results, bystanders present, Naloxone, mental health and suicide, Substance Use Disorder, substance use history, co-occurring disorders, criminal justice history, recent justice involvement, and current gaps in data
- Brainstorming and discussion
 - Discussion on importance of capturing social determinants of health information, when available, to assess intercept points and identify disparities
 - Adding injury location by zip code to data from Regional Forensic Center
 - Looking at trends-
 - Kratom use and how it's being used- dosing, case inclusion, anecdotal information, tracking and more information

- Socioeconomic connection to cases
- Trends regarding demographic information
- Plans to include cases in future months and the ability to look at cases and data trends over time
- Data collection timelines and utilizing smaller chunks of data request information

Action items: Sign and return Data Sharing Agreements, prepare for first data collection period, reach out with any questions or comments regarding meeting and action items

Upcoming events: February OFR Team Meeting- February 11, 2021 at 3:00PM EST