



Warren County Committee Meeting
Warren County Library Headquarters
Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
July 13, 2018

Meeting Minutes

9:30–9:40	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome all attendees 	<p>Peter Summers, WCCHIC Chair & all attendees</p>
9:40- 9:45	<p>North Jersey Health Collaborative News</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nominations – open leadership positions: Vice president, Chair, Chair Elect, Treasurer, Secretary & any subcommittees (I.E. Process implementation committee, data committee, finance, communications & marketing) ▪ Summer Newsletter ▪ Working on Strategic Plan 2021 ▪ Looking for funding partners – Each partner will receive representation on the North Jersey Health Collaborative Board 	<p>Catherine Connelly, NJHC</p>
9:45- 10:10	<p>Community Health Needs Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Community Voice Survey “First Look” ▪ 604 respondents from Warren County ▪ 73% of respondents were women ▪ 90% of respondents were Non-Hispanic White ▪ Top municipalities with responses: Hackettstown, Phillipsburg, Washington Township/Boro, & Blairstown ▪ Based on county Health rankings FINDINGS ▪ 47% of people thought there was good transit access ▪ Respondents report that there were few opportunities for active transportation, such as a safe place to walk, run, or bike. 	<p>Pete Summers – WC Dept of Health</p> <p>Catherine Connelly</p> <p>Feedback from county partners</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Poor affordable housing options/employment options ▪ Low incomes-People can't afford basic needs. ▪ Limited access to affordable health insurance options. ▪ Poor access to mental healthcare & drug & alcohol treatment ▪ About 2/3 of respondents report having an active lifestyle and getting enough sleep ▪ 25-30% of respondents report that they didn't know where to find information about substance use treatment <p>Top 5 Areas for Improvement:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mental Health 2. Employment 3. Vehicle/transit Access 4. Housing 5. Health insurance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transportation Survey ▪ Must call in advance ▪ Must be able to get from home to car by yourself ▪ Engaging new partners 	
10:10 – 10:40	<p>Forces of Change Activity</p> <p>*See attached chart about positive and negative forces of change in Warren County</p>	Portia Womer
10:40-10:55	<p>County Health Improvement Plan: Progress Reports and Q&A</p>	Pete Summers
10:55 – 11:05	<p>County News & Networking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sharing events, resources, programs. ▪ Zufall- August 17th, 2018- 4:00 P.M.- 7:00 P.M.- 117 Seber Road, Unit 5, Hackettstown, NJ- Back to school event ▪ Zufall- Saturday, November 3rd 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. and Sunday, November 4th 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.- 17 South Warren Street, Dover, NJ- Free dental services for veterans and their families ▪ Atlantic Health System- Community Health Event- Please check with Laura 	

	<p>Hawkins, Laura.Hawkins@atlanticealth.org for a list of community health events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Norwescap provides free lunches to children during the summer. Please contact Helene Meissner for more information, meissnerh@norwescap.org▪ The Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Center (DASACC) is completing a program for children's therapy and an elder abuse program.▪ St. Luke's Network is working on a lifestyle medicine course for patients.	
	<p>Closing: Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We will likely have a meeting in September, in addition to the October meeting.	

Warren County, NJ Forces of Change Feedback

Positive	Negative
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed power plants in Pennsylvania, leading to less pollution in New Jersey • High awareness of opioid epidemic-ample planning to address opioid addiction • Social media use makes folks feel less isolated • Reduced suburban sprawl • Programs for park systems, such as smoke-free parks • More Medicaid coverage due to Medicaid expansion • Sense of community • Integrated healthcare • Stigma-free initiative • Improvements in technology (telemedicine, grocery delivery) • New job opportunities on the horizon in Phillipsburg • The staff at the Departments of Health and of Human Services that are always working to look at ways to fill the gaps in services. • The Tri-County Continuum of Care (TriCoC) uses a coordinated entry process to house chronically homeless and includes supportive housing resources (also works to end homelessness within the tri-county region through the same process). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warren County has high rates of suicide and suicide attempts. • Closing of adults day center • No OB/Prenatal care • Removed mental healthcare from St. Luke's Warren hospital • Transportation won't go out of County • Cost of healthcare • High rates of domestic violence, particularly in Phillipsburg and Washington • High taxes • No services for people who are LGBT+ • Social media used for bullying • People don't know what resources are available • Closing of federally qualified health center • Medicare reimbursement changed • Home health aides are not paid well. • Change in how state is paying for supportive housing • Wait for senior housing • Population dropping (few job opportunities) • High foreclosure rate • Changes in affordable care act could lead to less people with health insurance. • Potential health effects of marijuana legalization • Immigration laws may prevent people who are undocumented from receiving services.