



Opioid Abatement
Council

Tennessee Opioid Abatement Council

DATE & TIME at 11:30 - 3:00CT

June 23, 2023

11:30CT: Lunch provided for Council members

12:00CT: Meeting starts

LOCATION

West Tennessee Healthcare – City/ County Boardroom
620 Skyline Dr., Jackson, TN 38301

CONVENED BY

Dr. Stephen Loyd, Council Chair

Tennessee Opioid Abatement Council Office

Mary Shelton, Executive Director

For more information, please visit the Opioid Abatement Council Webpage at:
<https://www.tn.gov/oac.html>

This meeting is held in accordance with Tennessee Open Meetings Act

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1:20 Standards & Metrics Subcommittee

[Karen & the Subcommittee]

- Review and discuss working definition for Recovery Housing proposed by the Standards and Metrics Subcommittee

1:30 BREAK

1:45 Needs Assessment 2023 Annual Report

[Kurt Hippel and TDMHSAS Planning & Policy Council]

2:05 Work of the Council

Opioid Abatement Council members will speak on various subjects to prepare the OAC for reviewing and scoring the Community Grant applications.

- Dr. Steve Loyd: Recovery Eco System & Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Dr. Clay Jackson: Palliative Care & Pain Medicine
- Tommy Frammer: Law enforcement and Diversion
- Karen Pershing: Prevention
- Lisa Tipton: Treatment with Emphasis on Social Determinants of Health

2:45 Public Comment

[Steve]

2:55 Next Council meeting:

[Steve]

- Chattanooga

3:00 Adjourn



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Opioid Abatement Council Meeting

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- We are recording the meeting

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Review & Approval of Minutes

- Dr. Stephen Loyd

Minutes from:

- February 27, 2023
- March 9, 2023 (virtual)
- April 3, 2023 (virtual)
- May 24, 2023 (virtual)



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Our Why - Jonah



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State employee vs. Contract position

We have researched the possibility of hiring the 2 Grants Analysts positions via contract, rather than creating 2 state employee positions:

State Employee	Contract Positions
Positions budgeted for \$70,754 (\$141,508 for 2 positions)	The hourly rate for a grants analyst is \$67. Using 37.5 (hours) x 4.3 (avg # of wks in a month) that would come out to \$10,803.75 per month or \$129,645
May take 2 months to hire	The process may take 1 month to hire
OAC Office interviews and selects candidate	OAC Office interviews and selects candidate



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Fiscal Update

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Guidance on Web Postings

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Guidance on Web Postings

- In an effort to ensure that all relevant information and data is posted on the Opioid Abatement Council's website, the Office is asking the Council to approve the development of Guidance on Web Postings.
- Perhaps include in the policy information from those public records that we can reasonably anticipate that the community may show interest.



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Recovery Housing Definition

- The Standards & Metrics Subcommittee met on 5/31 & 6/13
- We reviewed the Safe Act and discussed the relevance and legal implications with Sam Boukli, OAC Servicing Attorney
- The definition is modeled on language from the Safe Act



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Working definition for OAC to review

- The Subcommittee presents this working definition for the OAC to review and discuss:

If applying for recovery housing funding, applicants will be required to show current certification and/or recognition status through a state and/or nationally recognized recovery residence standards organization, any affiliate of any nationally recognized recovery residence standards organization OR the applicant must be currently funded by the State of Tennessee or a federal department or agency to support and/or create a recovery residence.



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Requirement to hear from the Planning & Policy Council

T.C.A. 33-11-105(b)

- Before rendering decisions regarding the disbursement of funds, the council shall receive input from the department's statewide planning and policy council's need assessment process, which is conducted with the assistance of seven (7) regional planning and policy councils



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2023 Needs Assessment – Multiple Region Needs

In 2023, multiple regions identified identical/similar substance abuse-related needs:

- ❖ **Increase funding/number of and access to residential & detox beds for adults and children (identified in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022)**
 - Regional Councils 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 & Children's Committee
- ❖ **Increase prevention and school-based programs for at-risk youth (identified in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022)**
 - Regional Councils 3, 7
- ❖ **Increase recovery housing, including Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) (identified in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022)**
 - Regional Councils 2, 4, 5, 6 & Adult Committee
- ❖ **Transportation**
 - Regional Council 1, Consumer's Advisory Board (CAB)

**The TDMHSAS Planning and Budget Committee of the Statewide Planning and Policy Council acknowledges that the department has created or expanded programs to address these needs in the past and on an ongoing basis.*



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Work of the Council

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