

Raleigh/Fayette FRN Alliance Meeting Thursday September 21 2023



Working together for children and families

In Attendance: Tammy Fleshman, Taralyn Gwinn, Ann Haley, Kiara Mickey, Elsie Cox, Keith Bowling, Ria Mitchell, Chuck Taylor, Heather Green, Natasha Jones, Annetta Tiller, Kara Jennings, Samantha Sizemore, Lori Cook, Delena Arthur, Julie Keel-Bowles, Rachel Bragg, Janine Bullock, Keshia Moore, David White, Carla Molloyhan, Erlonda Hunter, Marguerite Lawson, Kimberly Bray, Katie Johnson, Sue Wood, Roxana Hartsog, Jessica Fleming, Alexis Staunton, Joyce Wawiye, Louise Light, Kim Williams, Rachel Adkins, Stacey Carroll, Doug Epperly, Alice James, Kellie Gunnoe, April Clark, Debbie Williams, and Diane Callison.

The meeting of the Raleigh/Fayette Family Resource Network was held on: Thursday, September 21, 2023 at New River Community and Technical College. Number present for the meeting was 40.

Welcome and Introductions

REPORTS:

- **Raleigh FRN Report** – Debbie Williams, raleighfrn@frontier.com
 - Volunteer Training for the new Boys and Girls Club – October 2, 2023 – contact Liz Blusiewicz at 304-523-9541
 - Grant writing training in Charleston, WV – November 16-17, 2023, for event details visit: <http://grantstraining.com/wv1123>
 - Burlington United Methodist Family Services are taking orders for their Annual Turkey Dinner on November 3rd – Flyer attached for more information.
 - We are updating the FRN website, please go on the site to see if your information is correct, if not, please send me an email. Website is www.raleighcountyfrn.org
- **Fayette FRN Director's Report** – Diane Callison, fayettefrn@gmail.com
 - The Fayette FRN in partnership with the Fayette Prevention Coalition applied for and received the Partnership for Success grant through SAMHSA (The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration). This funding is \$375,000 yearly for 5 years. Through this funding, we will be looking to hire at least 4 new employees of the FRN, including a Project Director, a Youth Programs Coordinator and 2 Mental Health Educators who will implement Too Good for Drugs in underserved schools.
 - Job descriptions are attached, please spread the word. We'll be accepting applications until Friday, September 29th. If you have any questions, please let me know! Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume and references to fayettefrn@gmail.com
 - We are still looking for presenters for the upcoming 2023-2024 FRN Year; I have a current schedule if anyone is interested. As of now, we still have February, May and June open. June is an alliance meeting with the Raleigh County FRN.
 - This is a reminder that our October FRN meeting will be a Lunch and Learn event, partnered with TGKVF. Our meeting time will be 11:30 am – 1:30 pm at the Lewis Center in Oak Hill – we are asking for people to register. Registration link is <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/657763346877>

PRESENTATION:

- **AWAY (formerly Women's Resource Center)** Samantha Sizemore and Kara Jennings
 - Advocacy and Services for ALL victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence

OPEN DISCUSSION / ROUND TABLE:

Name and Organization Contact Information	Updates
Tammy Fleshman – WV Birth to 3 304-228-4795 tfleshman@mountainheartwv.org	What is Birth to Three? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kDNm4QB_ziQ&t Make a referral to WV Birth to Three, call 304.425.2926
Taralyn Gwinn-Parents as Teachers 304-228-3558 taralyn.mihow@gmail.com	We are hiring a parent educator to visit families in Raleigh County. Please send your resume to Natalie.Burley@nrhawv.org If your organization is hosting an event with young children, we would love to partner with you.
Keith Bowling-AETNA 304-961-6670 BowlingG@aetna.com	DHHR Change Center: 1-877-716-1212 Use this number to update any contact information with DHHR to make sure they are receiving important communications about the redetermination period for Medicaid Please talk to clients about getting their annual well check visits, Diabetic eye exams, etc. There are incentives for doing these visits. Kinship Webinar (has been sent to FRN directors)-October 18, 12:00pm-1:00pm. Raleigh General Hospital and Beckley ARH are having a Health & Resource Fair on Oct. 4 – beginning at 9:00am at the Raleigh County Convention Center.
Kim Williams-Southern WV Housing 304-255-5164 ext. 109 Kwilliams2151@frontier.com Carmen Maniak carmenmaniak@outlook.com (formerly Raleigh County Housing Authority)	Trunk or Treat @ Apple Tree Apartments on Oct. 24, 5pm-7pm. Trunk or Treat @ Timberline Apartments on Oct. 26, 5pm-7pm. We cover 8 counties for Housing Choice vouchers (HCV) find your own place and use the voucher to pay for all or part of rent; and one county (Mercer) for Veterans Affairs Supportive housing program (VASH) homeless veterans through VA Medical Center. We have 60 public housing apartments located in Mabscott and Sophia. We have 1,600 housing vouchers. We want to work with other community resources to form a bond with each county. We help tenants pay for rent and some may qualify for utility checks. We cover Project based vouchers (PBV) in 2 counties. We took over a homeownership program from Greenbrier County. We currently have 8 vouchers for that, possible expansion in the future. Our office is located at 2955 Robert. C. Byrd Drive, Beckley. Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm - CLOSED Wednesday @ Noon to the public.
Lori Cook, Suicide Prevention Coordinator at the Beckley VAMC 304-255-2121 lori.cook1@va.gov	The Suicide Prevention Team at Beckley Veterans Medical Center ensures veterans are safe while in a crisis. We offer S.A.V.E. Training, Suicide Prevention Training and Lethal Means Training which is available to community providers. If you would like to schedule a training course, you can contact Lori Cook, Suicide Prevention Coordinator.

	<p>The trainings consists of ways to keep suicidal clients safe, protective factors, and risk factors. Warning signs are discussed. Ages 3-Adults</p> <p>Contact Lori for: Endless Possibilities Counseling Services, LLC Play Therapy (RPT) Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) Approved Licensed Professional Supervisor (ALPS) 304-923-2862</p> <p>We will be having a Suicide Prevention Walk on Friday, September 29th at Little Beaver Lake (Flyer Attached)</p>
<p>Kiara Mickey-Community Outreach Liaison for The Health Plan 304-923-0508 kmickey@healthplan.org</p>	<p>We provide Medicaid and help individuals manage their WV CHIPS benefits. We offer plans for prenatal and post-natal care. We have a 24-hour nurse hotline and excellent dental plan.</p> <p>We are partnering with WIC to host a “Plant the Seed for Healthy Eating Through Reading” event at the Tamarack on Oct. 28, 2023 from 10:00am-2:00pm. We are asking agencies to set up tables whose population is pregnant mothers, foster children, or children under 5. You can contact me or Diane Landy at diane.m.landy@wv.gov. for more information. Flyer Attached</p>
<p>April Clark, CHERP-PRSS Seedsower Inc. 304-254-9935 304-860-6458-cell aclark@seedsowerinc.org.</p>	<p>I am the CHERP-PRSS for Seedsower Inc., which is a recovery resource center. We will be opening soon -we collaborated with Fruits of Labor. If you have any information pertaining to recovery that may be helpful to the recover community, please send that information to aclark@seedsowerinc.org.</p> <p>If you would like to connect with us, please feel free to email me also you can reach me at 304-254-9935 or my cell phone at 304-860-6458. I am looking forward to connecting with you all!</p>
<p>Ann Haley-Emergency Service Coordinator with FMRS 304-256-7100 ext. 1111 304-712-5244 (cell) ahaley@fmrs.org</p>	<p>Looking for donations for the Consumer Christmas event. We have 120-150 adults and one child (male-5 years) who have severe mental illness. Any donation is appreciated. You may donate money, hygiene items, swag from agencies, etc. Contact me at ahaley@fmrs.org 304-256-7100 ex. 1111 or cell 304-712-5244</p>
<p>Erlonda Hunter-RCCAA Outreach 304-894-4402 Erlonda.hunter@rccaa.org</p>	<p>A new program - my main goal is to get people off the street. I work out of Raleigh County Community Action-EHS. I try to meet people where they are on the streets. Please Make referrals to me and I will check it out.</p>
<p>Samantha Sizemore-AWAY 304-255-4066 Ssizemore.awaywv@gmail.com</p>	<p>Raleigh County Candlelight Vigil and Incite Hope Awards on Oct. 4, 12:00pm-1:00pm. Raleigh County Playhouse and Theatre. Lunch Provided Shirts with each high school and domestic violence prevention logo are available in the month of October at Liberty, Woodrow, Independence and Shady Springs High School football & volleyball games. Please come out and support by purchasing a shirt Football games: Oct. 6-Independence Oct. 13-Woodrow Oct. 20-Shady Oct. 27-Liberty</p>

	<p>Volleyball games: Oct. 24-Liberty & Independence</p>
<p>Annetta Tiller-Unicare 304-539-3843 Annetta.tiller@anthem.com</p>	<p>Unicare is co-sponsoring a Street Health & Resource Fair in Greenbrier County at Wellspring in Rupert on Oct. 4, from 10:00am-2:00pm. If your organization covers multiple counties and you would like to set up resources or provide health screenings and/or education, contact annetta.tiller@anthem.com</p> <p>Unicare will be set up with information and hygiene supplies at the Family Support Center in Sophia on Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 3:00pm-5:00pm. Open to everyone.</p> <p>Unicare is collaborating with the Raleigh Housing Authority for two Trunk or Treats. Trunk or Treat @ Apple Tree Apartments (150 Maple Street, Sophia) on Oct. 24, 5pm-7pm. Trunk or Treat @ Timberline Apartments (123 Smith Street, Mabscott) on Oct. 26, 5pm-7pm. If your organization would like to set up, email me annetta.tiller@anthem.com</p>
<p>Kellie Gunnoe-Raleigh County Support Center 304-887-0778 kelliegunnoe@rcfsc.org</p>	<p>Father/Child Monster Mash will be on Oct. 21 from 3:00pm-5:00pm, 200 Antonio Ave</p> <p>Trunk as a Treat fundraiser-will decorate your yard with caution tape, red balloons, trash bags, body bags and caulk outline for a fee. Call us!</p> <p>Rotary Club of Beckley is collecting cleaning supplies for us—cleaning supply closet is for families to have access to supplies for a clean home.</p>
<p>Carla Mollohan Unicare-Population Health Department 304-785-7986 Carla.mollohan@anthem.com</p>	<p>Population Health is trying to close the gaps in the social determinants of health for our members. We strive to help members individually with food, housing, transportation, clothing & employment needs. As a Health Promotion Consultant, I reach out to community-based organizations and agencies that offer any outreach services to the community and put their information into a private database as resources to our members. I also offer healthy topic presentations to any group in a private setting or “fair” type setting with a health topic table.</p>
<p>Marguerita Lawson-Partners of African American Churches and Emergency Housing Center 304-923-5783 304-200-3895 Marguerite.lawson@paac2.org</p>	<p>PAAC-Our main goal is to create health equity around the state for the hard-to-reach population. We do wellness checks. If you’re having an event and need blood pressure check, sugar or COVID testing, call me. We also do COVID and Flu vaccines.</p> <p>Emergency Housing Center-Child Mentor-helps families who are homeless or gives resources to prevent homelessness.</p>
<p>Natasha Jones- New River Health 304-469-2905 Natasha.green@nrhawv.org</p>	<p>New River Health is having a Fall Health Fair to display all the services they provide. This will take place on October 19, time TBD</p>

NEXT RALEIGH COUNTY FRN MEETING

Thursday, October 19, 2023 @ 11:00am

ZOOM meeting

NEXT FAYETTE COUNTY FRN MEETING

Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 11:30am

Lewis Center in Oak Hill

Questions, comments, and concerns can be addressed to Diane Callison, Director for the Fayette County FRN at 304-574-4338 or fayettefrn@gmail.com

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