Regional Continuum of Care High Priorities and Actions SFY 18-19

Instructions:
- Briefly identify three high-priorities to be worked on or action to be taken for each component.
- Remember that the priorities and actions can be adapted based on additional information, and input from your regional stakeholders.
- For more information on each component and examples, please see below.
- Priorities are due September 15, 2017.

Please Complete this Section

Region Name: CARROLL COUNTY

Prevention:
1. Partner with SMP Leadership, and Schools, Faith Based Coalitions and Youth Serving organizations to promote evidence-based public health messaging about the health risks related to use of alcohol, marijuana, misuse of prescription drugs and other illicit substances.
2. Collaborate with SMP Leadership, Schools, Faith Based Coalitions and Youth Serving organizations to host activities that educate parents about how to communicate with children to prevent use of alcohol, marijuana, misuse of prescription drugs and other illicit substances.
3. Partner with school officials and promote evidence-based prevention activities K-12 school level that prevent early first use of tobacco, alcohol and other substances at or before age 12.

Identification and Intervention:
1. Collect information about local Emergency Department responses to overdose; Explore opportunities to promote more effective continuum of care transitions.
2. Collect information about local school and community based efforts for screening, early identification and intervention activities that prevent early first use of tobacco, alcohol and other substances at or before ages 12-14; Explore opportunities for expanded screening.
3. To collaborate with SMP Leadership, PHAC and School Wellness Committee, to deliver community education activities related to Trauma Informed Care.

Treatment:
1. In partnership with NH Providers Association, regional health care collaboratives, facilitate a group of SUD treatment providers in the region to promote communication and collaboration.
2. In partnership with local treatment providers, promote activities to raise awareness for a Trauma Informed Community, and public understanding of addiction as a chronic illness.
3. In partnership with local and regional resource and referral networks, build and maintain a current listing of existing treatment services and raise community awareness of the need for expanded local treatment options, accessible to Medicaid, Medicare, and the uninsured.

Recovery Support Services:
1. In partnership with local recovery support organizations, social service providers and local media, facilitate public health messaging that promotes a recovery supportive community.
2. To actively participate in local collaboratives that seek to expand capacity for services related to housing and homelessness.
3. To actively participate in local collaborations that seek to expand capacity for transportation options for individuals to access treatment and recovery support services.
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Guidance:
More Information and Examples

Prevention: Any priority identified or action taken that contributes to the institution and/or implementation of prevention policies, practices or programs. This can include (but is not limited to) organizing stakeholders to take action, providing or acquiring educational and/or technical assistance approaches, program planning, resources acquisition, work that forms linkages with other prevention providers, work that form linkages with other community assets, and work that connects Prevention to other components of the continuum of care.
Example Priorities:
  1. Collect better data on risk factors in community.
  2. Coordinate with SMP and others to hold a regional prevention summit
  3. Research and disseminate information on school-based prevention strategies

Identification and Intervention: Any priority identified or action taken that contributes to the ability of stakeholders to identify substance misuse concerns in their clients and to provide information, linkages and referrals as appropriate to address those concerns. This can include (but is not limited to) organizing stakeholders to take action, providing or acquiring educational and/or technical assistance approaches, program planning, resources acquisition, work that connects Identification and Intervention providers to other components of the continuum of care.
Example Priorities:
  1. Coordinate/collaborate with schools or community partners to assist in school policy development
  2. Increase number of agencies in region trained in and using SBIRT
  3. Address need for juvenile court diversion in region.

Treatment: Any priority identified or action taken that contributes to the ability to provide treatment services as needed. This can include (but is not limited to) organizing stakeholders to take action, providing or acquiring educational and/or technical assistance approaches, program planning, resources acquisition, work that connects Treatment providers to other components of the continuum of care.
Example Priorities:
  1. Develop mechanisms to share substance misuse and other community resources to help ensure smoother care transitions.
  2. Advocate for increase treatment and other service resources.
  3. Develop additional treatment service options as resources become available.

Recovery Supports: Any priority identified or action taken that contributes to the development of recovery community organizations, recovery support services, recovery-friendly practices, and/or efforts to reduce stigma. This can include (but is not limited to) organizing stakeholders to take action, providing or acquiring educational and/or technical assistance approaches, program planning, resources acquisition, work that form linkages with other community assets, and work that connects Recovery Supports to other components of the continuum of care.
Example Priorities:
  1. Support the development of recovery community organizations.
  2. Improve access to recovery support services.
  3. Forums and/or education sessions that help communities understand substance misuse and substance use disorders.

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