The Single County Authority

The Single Point of Contact for Accessing D&A Treatment Services and Ancillary Support Services
Single County Authority (SCA)

The SCA receives state and federal dollars through contracts with the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP) to plan, coordinate, programmatically and fiscally manage, and implement the delivery of drug and alcohol prevention, intervention and treatment services to respond to the needs at the local level.
SCA Services

Single Point of Contact for:

- Prevention
- Intervention
- Case Management
- Recovery Supports
Drug & Alcohol Case Management Services

Case Management

• Screening
• Level of Care Assessment/Referral to Tx
• Case Coordination
  o Identify non-treatment needs
  o Provide extra support for recovery needs

aniel point of contact for accessing D&A treatment services for all clients regardless of insurance status
Statewide Initiatives: Intervention

**Naloxone Training and Distribution**

- Train first responders in the use of Naloxone
- Train “nontraditional” first responders
  - Community, Treatment Providers, Human services delivery system
- PCCD Naloxone Grant/Centralized Coordinating Entity (CCE)
- Data Collection

**Student Assistance Program**

- Program designed to identify students who have a barrier to learning
- Case Management and Treatment services are provided on-site at the school
Warm Handoff

- DDAP tasked SCAs with implementing, and maintaining a plan for screening, assessment, treatment and tracking of individuals who survived an overdose.

- Statewide SCA’s developed warm hand off protocols to ensure expedient, appropriate and seamless care.
Why Hand Off?

- Risk of repeat overdose is significant
- Overdose reversal with Naloxone immediately places the survivor into withdrawal, the state they most fear experiencing.
- Connection to treatment must occur during this most vulnerable time
State Targeted Response (STR)/Cures Funding

Case Management Services
• Allowed for the expansion of SCA Services such as the warm hand off and coordination of services, as well as the promotion of community based services.

Certified Recovery Specialist Services
• Funding for additional recovery supports assisted with the expansion of this service throughout numerous counties
STR/Cures Funding

Treatment Services
• Increased overall access to D&A Treatment Services for the uninsured and underinsured.

Drug Court
• Assisted with the ability to create and expand programs for priority populations such as individuals involved the criminal justice system
Local Strategies

Recovery Support Services

• Assist individuals through the recovery process
• Ensure basic needs are met
• Build upon the strengths of the individual
• Assist in setting and meeting goals
• Connect individual to community resources
Westmoreland Drug and Alcohol Commission (WeDAC) and the Washington Drug and Alcohol Commission (WDAC) are partnering in service initiatives with the 2018 Hillman Grant.

WeDAC and WDAC are working with local EMS to implement paramedicine to marry public safety and public health. This grant will assist with the implementation of paramedicine in both respective counties.
WeDAC partnered with Excela Health in 2018 to implement a Medicated Assisted Treatment first dosing pilot program in the Excela Emergency Departments.

Overdose Survivors are screened medically for their ability to take suboxone, receive a level of care assessment through the D&A Case Management Unit, receive a one time dose of suboxone while in the emergency department and linked to an inpatient and/or outpatient treatment program.
Recovery Housing

WeDAC is partnering with two providers in Westmoreland County to increase access to housing for individuals in recovery.

One male house and two female houses will be opening in Westmoreland County within the next 18 months.
Gateway Mt. Pleasant is expanding their facility to increase bed capacity to 32 in the fall of 2018.

Clear Day Treatment Center opened 9/13/18. This facility provides withdrawal management and residential treatment services for traditional “drug free” and individuals on medicated assisted treatment.
2017-2018
Westmoreland County
SCA Overview

1. 1362 D&A Screenings
2. 1825 Level of care assessments completed
3. 1701 naloxone kits distributed throughout the county
4. 102 Overdose Reversals from Law Enforcement
5. 17 Reported Overdose Reversals from the community
6. 551 Level of care assessments completed at the prison
Community Action’s Role

• Reach out to your local SCA
• Partner to provide services and outreach
• Join local coalitions
• Promote recovery advocacy
• Educate to reduce stigma
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