



**Grand Traverse County  
Drug Free Coalition**

**September 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes  
4-5pm**

**Hybrid**

**In person** – Grand Traverse County Health Department (2600 LaFranier Rd, Traverse City)

**Zoom** - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89210306992?pwd=M0jRjNOcmhXiGLp7ktLhyKtAykqkxc.1>

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<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>OWNER</b>
4:00pm	SETTLE IN & INTRODUCTIONS		Lauren Reed
	ATTENDANCE	Dr. Dave McGreaham, Linda Solem, Lt. Kip Belcher, Diane Goodyear, Jenn Holm, Brad Neuder, Nancy Dow, Jon Supernaw, Corey Winfield, Steven Quijas, Dr. Lyn Conlon, Lauren Reed (coordinator)	Linda Solem
4:10pm	Northern Michigan Opioid Response Consortium	<p>Northern Michigan Opioid Response Consortium (NMORC) will update us on the work they are doing in Grand Traverse County and around the region.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• See attached presentation slides or contact Lauren Reed at <a href="mailto:gtcdrugfreecoalition@gmail.com">gtcdrugfreecoalition@gmail.com</a> for a copy.</li><li>• NMORC began receiving grants in 2015 in order to serve vulnerable counties and jurisdictions of at-risk populations. Currently they cover 25 counties throughout Northern Michigan.</li><li>• Their mission is to engage Northern Michigan in a coordinated response to reduce substance use disorders.</li><li>• The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) investigated demographics with similar factors to at-risk outbreaks. High</li></ul>	Dr. Dave McGreaham

		<p>overdose occurrences and deaths account for the focus on the 25-county region in Northern Michigan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Funding is in partnership with Michigan Center for Rural Health with HRSA RCORP funding and implementation.</li><li>• NMORC Team: Joyce Fetrow - Project Director, Dr. Dave McGreaham - Medical Director, Jeanne Marriott and Gennie Groover - Project Associates, and a vacant Substance Use Disorder Coordinator position.</li><li>• Partnerships with NMAS Recovery, Catholic Human Services, District Health Departments, Community Mental Health, Thunder Bay, McLaren, Munson, and the Michigan State Police (MSP), to name a few.</li><li>• Priority areas include prevention, treatment, recovery, workforce, and harm reduction. Some prevention efforts have included Mental Health First Aid, involvement with local coalitions and collaboratives. Treatment efforts have included medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD), access to behavioral health, increased utilization of the MSP Angel Program and Hope Not Handcuffs for transportation to treatment. The workforce impact has been through Michigan Works! Opioid Workforce Alliance, identifying gaps in behavioral health, Michigan Reconnect, Michigan Clean Slate Program for Expungement, recovery supportive workplaces, and Michigan Center for Rural Health.</li><li>• Some of NMORC's successes in 2023 include events, trainings, and Naloxone distribution. A jail release simulation was held in Grand Traverse County with two more upcoming in Antrim County and Kalkaska County.</li><li>• An article in Bridge Magazine on September 11, 2024, stated that 30% of the Opioid Settlement Funds have been spent and that four in ten counties haven't spent their allocated funds yet. Even though it was reported that 30% was spent, the article stated that Grand Traverse County has spent their funds, but the Board of Commissioners have not yet approved the spending</li></ul>	
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		<p>recommendations presented by the Opioid Settlement Task Force.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fentanyl-fake Oxycodone pills are increasing in use among youth going for mood stabilizing drugs. Recent stats show 1:5 deaths occur in a public restroom.</li> <li>• There are standing orders to allow people to get naloxone at participating pharmacies without an individual prescription from their doctor. People do not necessarily want to reveal they need it, like seniors. Distro Mail-Order Program is a distribution site for naloxone for all. Naloxone distribution and training continues throughout the 25-county area.</li> </ul>	
4:50pm	<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS/ GENERAL UPDATES</b>	<p><b>Screenagers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The coalition will be hosting a community screening of <b>Screenagers Under The Influence: Addressing Vaping, Drugs, and Alcohol in the Digital Age</b> on September 30, 2024 from 6-7:30pm at the Traverse Area District Library (610 Woodmere Ave, Traverse City, MI). The film will be followed by a panel discussion with local experts, with representation from law enforcement, the medical community, people with lived experience, and our schools. Resources from local organizations will also be available. This is a free event, and all are welcome!</li> <li>• Movie trailer: <a href="https://www.screenagersmovie.com/about-screenagers-under-the-influence">https://www.screenagersmovie.com/about-screenagers-under-the-influence</a></li> <li>• Screenagers is a film that examines the impact of our digital age on teens' decision making in relation to substances such as vaping, drugs, and alcohol. It explores the latest research, provides personal experiences of teens and families, and offers solutions on how to empower teens as they face decisions.</li> <li>• We will be inviting parents, kids, and any other interested community members.</li> <li>• See attached flyer.</li> </ul> <p><b>Safe Harbor and Up North Prevention Recovery Month Event, No Stigma, No Shame</b></p>	<p>Lauren Reed</p> <p>Linda Solem</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Community Education Session will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup> from 9am-12pm at Safe Harbor (517 Wellington St, Traverse City).</li> <li>• Topics include Identifying SUD risk and protective factors along with trauma-informed training for our vulnerable populations.</li> <li>• Evidence-based interventions for victims of human trafficking; and</li> <li>• Reducing re-traumatization for guests</li> <li>• Starting safe conversations and developing a safety plan</li> <li>• Attached is a flyer with additional information</li> </ul> <p><b>Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharon Vreeland will be presenting on ACES at the next coalition meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup></li> </ul> <p><b>Coalition Meeting Time Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Going forward the coalition will begin meeting from 3:30-4:30pm, still on the second Wednesday of each at the Grand Traverse County Health Department or on Zoom.</li> </ul> <p><b>Upcoming Training Offered by the Traverse Bay Children’s Advocacy Center and The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training event on October 8, 2024, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Turtle Creek Casino, Williamsburg.</li> <li>• This free training will feature Dr. Gregory Williams, who has a groundbreaking approach to Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE), Vicarious Trauma, and the importance of being trauma informed.</li> <li>• Please see the attached flyer and use the QR code to register.</li> </ul>	<p>Lauren Reed</p> <p>Lauren Reed</p> <p>Linda Solem</p>
5:00pm	ADJOURNMENT	<p><b><i>Next meetings: October 9, November 13, January 8</i></b></p> <p><b><i>**THE COALITION DOES <u>NOT</u> MEET IN DECEMBER**</i></b></p>	