



Caring For ME Leadership Meeting
Wednesday, May 9th; 9:00 am - 10:00 pm
Location: virtual via zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/363389261>

Attendees: Amy Belisle, Catherine Chinchester, Dora Anne Mills, Elisabeth Mock, Gordon Smith, Kellie Slate-Vitcavage, Eleesa Marnagh, Amy Miller, Hilary Leonhard, Jon Orr, Joanna Morrissey, Kathryn Rouillard, Kim Gardner, Kirsten Thomsen, Laura Larssen, Lisa Letourneau, Lisa Tuttle, Peter Michaud, Stephanie Nichols, Susan Kring, Ron Watson, Miah Cates-Carney

Topics	Notes	Actions/Decisions
Welcome & Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of agenda 	
Building A Stronger SUD System of Care: Updates and Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kate Chichester, Eric Haram, and Lisa L have been working on this effort, funded by MeHAF, to identify strategies for building stronger system SUD care, recognizing need to address number of deaths from opioids & drug overdose How do we expand access to MAT, recovery oriented system of care & push rapid, low barrier to treatment Lisa T asked would it be beneficial to find funding to continue the work reach out to key stakeholders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All – encouraged to consider identified range of strategies to build stronger system of SUD care (attached)
Northern New England Practice Transformation Network (NNE-PTN) and Caring for ME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NNE-PTN is tri-state collaborative ME, NH, VT, and part CMS initiative focused on driving organizations/practices into value based care Last June CMS was tasked to take on the opioid epidemic NNE-PTN has joined the work at MQC and C4ME to really push this work forward Lisa L has created an opioid online survey to help NNE-PTN organizations identify needs related to opioid epidemic and what they are doing CMS is giving us the leverage and resources to do this work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All – notify Amy M, Lisa L if organizations are interested in participating in NNE-PTN, and/or are participants and have needs related to addressing opioid epidemic

NNE ECHO: Introduction & C4ME Resource	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MQC is hosting NNE ECHO as a tri-state collaborative; received HRSA grant for 3yrs • Focus of the network is to build the structure to the state • There are goals that align with MQC strategic plan • ECHO uses technology to share best practice to reduce disparity, using case based learning to master complex diagnosis • Tracking data to monitor outcomes • MQC has 2 ECHO HUBS (Maine, and Northern New England) • Currently offering two ECHO programs related to opioids: Compassionate Tapering of Opioids, and Perinatal SUD treatment • About to launch MAT ECHO goal to support providers in building confidence, competence in offering MAT services; currently recruiting primary care practice teams to participate (starting in fall 2018) – see recruitment flyer, attached 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All – notify Lisa Tuttle if practices interested in joining upcoming MAT ECHO (see flyer, attached)
Update on Legislative and Policy Issues, Chapter 21 Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislature adjourned without completing work on numerous opioid-related bills; may not reconvene through “special session” • Bill did pass LD1871 directing legislative staff to change wording to Substance Use Disorder vs Substance Abuse Disorder All forms, policies, documents to change • A lot going on in Washington 2 million to Maine to help with SUD • Chapter 21 did take effect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gordon will ask Sue Kring to send 3 referenced documents
Partner Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adrienne Carmack (PCHC) noted recent great Bangor community event across all faiths, great participation of community and law enforcement, Community really was inspired by knowing that the medical community is working on the issue. • Lisa L - BDN planning follow up event to initial “One Life” event last year; aiming for July 18th to hold another event • MQC just received funding for newborn treatment with moms in the hospital - coming out in October • Focus Topics for next meeting: Overdose what is being tried in our communities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All: continue to share activities and events going on in your communities!
Meeting wrap-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to all the participants for their work. Our next virtual meeting is on June 13th 9-10am EST. If you have topics or agenda items, please email lletourneau@mainequalitycounts.org. 	Video Recording for 5/9/18