

**MEETING MINUTES**

Name of Group: <b>Community Health Council</b>			
Date: <b>08/10/17, 8:00 am to 9:30 am</b>			
<b>Attendees</b>	<p><b>Members present:</b>                  Capt. Eve Thomas (Chair), Criminal Investigations Division, Knoxville Police Department                  Lara Fleming (Chair-elect), Operations Office &amp; Director of HR, The Trust Company                  Ellen Zavisca (Past Chair), Senior Transportation Planner, Regional Transportation Planning Organization                  Dr. Martha Buchanan, Director, Knox County Health Department                  Gaye Fortner, Executive Director, HealthCare 21 Business Coalition                  Pam Frye, Chief Program Officer &amp; Adoption Services Director, Harmony Family Center                  Viren Lalka, Partner, Lalka Tax Services, LLC                  Dot LaMarche, Community Volunteer                  Mitch Olszewski, Volunteer Lead, American Association of Retired Persons Volunteer Corps                  Patricia Robledo, Business Liaison, City of Knoxville                  Jimmy Sherrod, Pastor, Central United Methodist Church                  Danielle DuFur Sims, Knoxville Area Project Access                  Amanda Weber, Community Veterinary Specialist, Remote Area Medical</p> <p><b>Other/Guests:</b>                  Fiona McAnally, Director of Community Assessment &amp; Planning, Knox County Health Dept                  Charity Menefee, Hospital Coordinator, Knox County Health Department                  Karen Pershing, Executive Director, Metro Drug Coalition                  Erin Read, Health Educator, Knox County Health Department</p>		
Recorder	Name: Erin Read, Knox County Health Department		
TOPIC	Discussion	ACTION or Follow up	WHO
1. Approve minutes from June 8 meeting	<p><b>Decisions made:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move to approve as written: Gaye Fortner, second: Dot LaMarche, approved unanimously</li> </ul>		
2. CHIP Partner Update: Opiates	<p><b>Key discussion points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen Pershing gave update on Prescription Drug Safety Task Force’s work around the CHIP objectives for decreasing opioid abuse.</li> </ul>		
3. CHIP Partner Update: Mental Health	<p><b>Key discussion points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Martha Buchanan gave update on the Mental Health Task Force’s work around the CHIP objectives for increasing access to mental health resources.</li> </ul>		
4. Harm Reduction	<p><b>Key discussion points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen Pershing and Dr. Martha Buchanan presented on recent state legislation that paves the way for harm reduction/needle exchange programs in TN, and the components of effective needle exchange programs.</li> </ul>		



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Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dot LaMarche announced that the Suffrage Coalition is raising funds and awareness for the proposed Burn Memorial to honor Harry Burn, who cast the deciding vote in the Tennessee legislature to extend the vote to women in 1920.</li><li>• Pam Frye announced that Harmony Family Center has won a planning grant from Trinity Health Foundation for camps for at-risk youth incorporating yoga, mindfulness, swimming, hiking, and many other activities.</li><li>• Fiona McAnally announced that Eve Thomas, CHC Chair, is a finalist for the YWCA's 2017 Tribute to Women awards.</li><li>• Ellen Zavisca announced that the next Open Streets event will be October 29 in South Knoxville.</li></ul>
Adjourn	Next meeting: October 12, 2017, 8:00 am to 9:30 am, Farragut Town Hall, 11408 Municipal Center Drive, Farragut