



# Meeting Minutes: Dakota County Opioid Response Advisory Committee

Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2024  
Minutes prepared by: Elizabeth Unten  
Location: Dakota County Northern Service Center

## Attendance

- Lived Experience
  - Jennifer Denmark
  - Cara Schulz
  - Jacqueline Young
- Health Care
  - Michael Beltowsky
  - Marcus Blue
  - Dr. Seema Maddali
- Community Partners
  - Hanna Kazempour
  - Bridgette Norring
- Local Government
  - Bryan Schowalter
- Dakota County
  - Erin Carder
  - Alicia Ward
  - Elizabeth Unten
- Absent: Maria Anderson, Tiffany Neuharth, Susan Pugh, Q Mursal, Nate Burkett, Luke Hellier, and Terry Johnson

## Action Items

- Draft the work plan for approval at the May 7, 2024, meeting.

## Agenda

- Approve Agenda
- Approve Meeting Minutes
- July ORAC Meeting
- Public Health Updates
- Work Plan
- Public Comment

## Next Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: Northern Service Center, Room 520

## Meeting Notes

### Per Diem Requests

Eligible committee members who opted to receive a per diem received request to sign.

### Agenda

Jennifer Denmark moved to approve the agenda, and it was seconded by Bryan Schowalter. The motion passed.

### Approval of Minutes

Jacqueline Young moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, and it was seconded by Bryan Schowalter. The motion passed.

### July ORAC Meeting

Committee members reached the decision to move the July 2, 2024, meeting to July 9, 2024, at 3:00 pm.

### Public Health Updates

Erin Carder reported that the Dakota County Service Centers in West St. Paul and Apple Valley have been designated as Naloxone Access Points. A demonstration video showcasing the pickup process was viewed during the meeting. Additionally, efforts are underway to include Naloxone Access Points in local libraries. Erin also mentioned that Dakota County has started interviews for the vacant Opioid Response Coordinator position.

### Work Plan

Erin Carder provided an update regarding the submission timeline for the finalized work plan aligned with the County board goals. The work plan centered on creating A great place to live, A healthy environment, A

successful place for business and jobs, and Excellence in public service, is slated for board approval at the May 14, 2024, CSCW meeting.

Seema Maddali shared a summary of the survey responses she received from committee members regarding their ideas for the work plan and RFP process.

A small group consisting of committee members will review the shared survey responses results and work towards completing the work plan. The goal is to share the completed work plan to the entire committee via email before the May 7, 2024, committee meeting. The work plan will emphasize goals related to Prevention, Detection/Treatment, and Aftercare.

### **Public Comment**

Five members of the public were present.