

Opioid Settlement Funds

Advisory Council Meeting

November 7, 2024



**Behavioral Health
Department**

Alameda County Health

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda	Speaker / Facilitator
Introduction /Ice Breaker	James Wagner (Clinical Operations Deputy Director, ACBHD) Dr. Kathleen Clanon (Agency Medical Director, ACH)
Listening Sessions Feedback Overview	James Wagner (Clinical Operations Deputy Director, ACBHD)
Three Valleys Community Foundation (3VCF) <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Overview of 3VCF○ RFP services and process to attract interested entities○ Mini-Grants RFP release updates○ Questions and Feedback from the Advisory Council	Dr. Kelly Bowers (CEO/President) Colleen Gregerson (Board Director, 3VCF and Grant Chair)
Open Discussion	All

Purpose of the Meeting

The Advisory Council are **subject matter experts** within the County of Alameda who hold specialized knowledge on **substance use disorders and/or county processes and/or fiscal expertise and/or deep understanding of the opioid crisis as a public health emergency**. The Council will **meet 2 to 3 times a year** to provide ongoing feedback to Alameda County Behavioral Health Department (ACBHD) on the planning, spending, and long-term strategies regarding Opioid Settlement dollars. The Council will not be a decision-making body but will provide expert content, advice and guidance to ACBHD to guide the department in the various needs of the settlement dollars.

Previous Opioid Settlement Updates

- **The Opioid Settlement presentation at the Health Committee Meeting:** March 27, 2023
- **The Opioid Settlement presentation at the Health Committee Meeting:** April 14, 2025

First (March 6) Opioid Settlement Advisory Council Meeting Overview

- ❑ Members present at the first Opioid Advisory Council meeting:
 - **ACBHD:** Dr. Karyn Tribble, James Wagner, Dr. Aaron Chapman, Vanessa Baker, Cecilia Serrano, and Dr. Clyde Lewis
 - **HCSA:** Dr. Kathleen Clanon and Aneeka Chaudhry
 - **BOS:** Serena Chen, Erin Armstrong, Melissa Hernandez, and Amy Shrago
 - **Public Health:** Kimi Watkins-Tartt and George Ayala
- ❑ Dr. Karyn Tribble (ACBHD Director) welcomed the council members.
- ❑ Dr. Kathleen Clanon (Agency Medical Director, ACH) provided an overview of the opioid crisis and stated that **the opioid related poisoning deaths in Alameda County are continuing to rise since 2017.**
- ❑ Dr. Aaron Chapman (ACBHD Medical Director) reviewed ACBHD's preparations, goals and activities/initiatives that are underway with the Opioid money.
- ❑ ACBHD Finance Director, Cecilia Serrano provided an overview of the opioid settlement funding and funding activities.
 - **Total Payments Received:** \$8.7M
 - **Total Expenditures:** \$6,500

Second (June 6) Opioid Settlement Advisory Council Meeting Overview

- ❑ Members present at the second Opioid Advisory Council meeting:
 - **ACBHD:** Dr. Karyn Tribble, James Wagner, Dr. Aaron Chapman, Vanessa Baker, Cecilia Serrano, and Dr. Clyde Lewis
 - **HCSA:** Dr. Kathleen Clanon and Aneeka Chaudhry
 - **BOS:** **Brenda Gomez**, Erin Armstrong, Melissa Hernandez, Cesley Ford-Frost, and Amy Shrago
 - **Public Health:** Kimi Watkins-Tartt and George Ayala
- ❑ Dr. Kathleen Clanon (Agency Medical Director, ACH) presented the Opioid Overdose Prevention Report.
- ❑ ACBHD Clinical Operations Deputy Director, James Wagner informed the council on ACBHD's Opioid Settlement Planning process and goals.
- ❑ ACBHD Finance Director, Cecilia Serrano updated on the opioid settlement funding, and expenditures thus far and beyond .
 - **Total Payments Received:** \$9.6M
 - **Total Expenditures:** \$4.2M

ACBHD 2024 Opioid Settlement Listening Sessions

ACBHD organized three virtual Listening sessions for the stakeholders in September 2024.

- The listening sessions were held on September 13, 19 and 27.
- Presenters were:
 - **Dr. Kathleen Clanon** (Agency Medical Director, ACH)
 - **Dr. Joshua Kayman** (Chief of Addiction Care Services, ACBHD)
 - **James Wagner** (Clinical Operations Deputy Director, ACBHD)
 - **Jill Louie** (Budget Director, ACBHD)
- Total number of participants:
 - **298**
- The sessions covered:
 - Alameda County's current opioid crisis data
 - Interventions, treatments and support available countywide to address overdoses and poisoning
 - Opioid settlement funding received and the spenddown thus far
 - Activities/programs that were implemented with the opioid settlement funding
 - ACBHD's short and long-term program planning process to address opioid crisis



Feedback from 2023 Listening Sessions and alignment with ACBHD OSF Expenditures

Feedback 2023	Activities
Increase MAT availability (incarcerated, homeless, teens and other vulnerable population)	Maxor - MAT at Santa Rita Jail (SRJ)
Expand and enhance SUD system of care	Recovery Residence and Residential Treatment Bed Expansion
Fund more Community Based Organizations who can support with opioid abatement	Mini-grants to Community Organizations
Increase detox beds	Alameda Health Systems - Bridge Clinic
Expand and enhance SUD system of care	SUD Outreach Teams
Education Media Campaign	Public Media Campaign
Expand and enhance SUD system of care	Options – Counseling at SRJ
Expand and enhance SUD system of care	Capital Projects – La Familia
Expand and enhance SUD system of care	Capital Projects - St. Regis

Feedback/Recommendations (2024)

- ❖ ACCESS to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) (including long acting injectables and low barrier MAT-Buprenorphine) in clinics, mobile clinics, emergency departments, jails, etc.
- ❖ Implement and expand medication assisted withdrawal management in Alameda County (leverage medical respite as a model/site for withdrawal management and/or residential SUD services).
- ❖ Public Education Campaign (focus on youths and vulnerable population)
- ❖ Harm reduction services (syringe services programs, pilot of safer consumption sites, drug checking, etc.)
- ❖ Fund Naloxone distribution units and increase Naloxone access (at public spaces, permanent supportive housing, libraries, high need locations, hospitals, clinics, etc.).
- ❖ Implement peer led SUD Outreach Teams or partner with existing outreach teams.
- ❖ Innovative interventions to reduce stigma in affected population (e.g., digital applications, TikTok messaging, education campaign, etc.)
- ❖ Expand access to SUD services through collaboration (e.g., collaborate with Alameda Alliance). Address co-occurring disorders.
- ❖ Improve connection to long-term care and wraparound services (e.g., enhance case management services, navigators at the emergency departments especially for homeless chronic substance dependents, etc.)
- ❖ Consistently measure the outcomes and impact and share with the community (improve data collection throughout the funding period and community accessible data dashboard).
- ❖ **Others** (Fund Medication Safety Programs for older adults, support for family members who are the caregivers, train and retain the prevention workforce, improve needs assessment, and bridge of care between counties).

