HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: February 28, 2019 at the SPC Epi Center

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATIONS	ACTION
WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS	Introductions completed. Present were: Dianne Clarke, Robert Neri, Debra Prewitt, Ray Hensley, Ligia Gómez, Jill Gould, Sean King, Andrew Maurin, Donna Marley, Tony Williams, Richard Smith, April Torregiante, Micki Thompson and Cheryl Kerr. Absent: Rayford Dennis, William Atkinson, Raul Catuy, Catherine Speroni, Andrea Baker, Laura Ball, Lauren Misa, Lola Blevins, Douglas Bonar, Marilyn Browne, Kip Corriveau, Anita George, Kathleen Griffin, Debra Prewitt, Angela Pelegrini Olivares, Mike Jalazo, Donna Sicilian and Joan Read.	N/A
REVIEW OF MINUTES	Minutes from the October 19, 2018 meeting were distributed and reviewed and approved.	Minutes from last meeting were emailed. All committee members reviewed. Minutes were unanimously approved.
OLD BUSINESS	Human Services Baccalaureate Degree: The proposal for the SPC Human Services B.S. degree remains a priority. Approval has been received to move forward with the B.S. proposal. This was announced by Dr. Williams during her address to the combined Advisory Committee meeting. Update on SPC Fostering Achievement Program	ACTION We will work to start the process this year of applying for a HUS BS degree. We will keep the Advisory Committee updated on this proposal.
	Cheryl provided an update on the SPC Fostering Achievement Program that provides support to students who have aged out of foster care. Cheryl, Todd Smith (Financial Aid) and Deborah Eldridge (SPC Faculty) presented on the SPC FAP at the annual Moving the Needle Conference on November 8, 2018 (SPC Seminole Campus) The Positive Pathways/Florida Reach annual conference will be held on the Gibbs campus on May 30-31, 2019.	Advisory Committee members are encouraged to join the Facebook group and participate in monthly network calls. https://www.facebook.com/groups/FloridaReach/ https://www.positivepathwaysflorida.org/

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NEW BUSINESS	SPC Mental Health Awareness Initiative Update (SAMHSA Suicide Prevention Grant) Project H.E.A.L Coordinator, Donna Marley, gave an update on the work of the SPC Mental Health Oversight Committee. SPC was awarded the SAMHSA Suicide Prevention Grant. SPC has updated its resource page including more information: http://mycoursessupport.spcollege.edu/life-issues	Human Services Advisory Committee Members were open to providing consultation and input into the initiative and the SPC MH Oversight Committee. Some HUS Advisory Committee member agencies provide trainings in mental health first aid and related topics (PERC, PCSB, etc.) Donna Marley will send the grant narrative to the HUS Advisory Committee members.
AGENCY ROUNDTABLE / UPDATES	 Sean King (Habitat for Humanity and the HLB) Sean shared about the Pinellas County HLB (Homeless Leadership Board). Micki Thompson (211) 211 has job opportunities. They are hiring for their Veteran Peer Support Program. They also need a database manager 	https://www.habitatpinellas.org/ Press conference tomorrow morning at their location (Ulmerton Road and 49 th Street North) http://211tampabay.org/
	WestCare hopes that the new budget will restore the beds from last year that were lost. Discussed how SPC received a VOCA grant and there will be 5 upcoming trainings (8 hours or 16 hours) Debra Prewitt (JWB) JWB is searching for a new CEO Debra is retiring from JWB in 29 months	https://www.westcare.com/page/where-weserve_FL https://www.jwbpinellas.org/

Richard Smith (SPC Career Services)

- Discussed having agencies do on-campus interviews for students
- Shared information about "Handshake"

Handshake

https://blog.spcollege.edu/careers-internships/handshake/

Andrew Maurin (Suncoast Voices E.D.)

 Andrew is no longer with Lawyers for Young Adults. He is now the new Executive Director for Suncoast Voices for Children. https://www.suncoastvoices.org/

Dianne Clarke (Operation PAR)

- Provided an update on the Pinellas County Opioid Taskforce
- The task force is focusing on 5 areas
- SOAR funds for opiate response
- Explained how Pinellas County and the State of Florida is suing pharmaceutical companies (hopefully will get funding for prevention) It is a class-action lawsuit
- Discussed the importance of Naloxone.

The Human Services Advisory Committee recommended the College provide Naloxone and have it available on campus

Ray Hensley (Department of Health)

- Hepatitis A continues to be an issue. There have been 201 cases since January of 2018.
- The Hep. A vaccine is free at the health department. The
 majority of Hep A cases come from white men (young adults
 to middle age) and most cases are from transient populations
 with limited access to sanitation methods and are more
 commonly drug users. More than 50% of the Pinellas County
 cases are linked to illicit substance abuse.
- Vaping continues to be an issue especially in the schools (20% of teens in schools vape). DOH is working with the Tobacco Free Coalition to address this issue.
- Access to mental health care remains a priority
- Pinellas County has one of the highest suicide rates in Florida.

http://pinellas.floridahealth.gov/

AGENCY ROUNDTABLE/UPDATES (CONT.)	We discussed the SPC Human Services intern / co-op student. We could role play interview scenarios and have advisory committee members volunteer periodically to come to campus to do mock interviews/role plays, etc. Practice interpersonal processes. Advisory committee members will email Cheryl potential interview questions. Dianne Clarke stated that Operation PAR has applicants complete an outside/external assessment that produces a synopsis of the applicant's responses in different domains. The assessment generates interview questions for the employee/applicant. Indaba Health – Discflex tool	
NEXT MEETING	Thursday, September 12, 2019 1:00pm	Location: SPC Gibbs Campus SA Building, Room 313 Minutes and agenda to be forwarded to members for review in advance of the February meeting.
ADJOURNMENT		The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:30am