

**Shawnee County CDDO
Affiliate Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2022**

Present: Jesse Cox, Loving Hearts Training Center; Jon Gerdel, Life Patterns; Tessy Best, Avance'd Community Alternatives; Robert Haddon, Juvy Haddon, Supportive Living; Eileen Doran, Shelby Fry, Angie Dougan, Stephany Semple, Anthony Neal, TARC; Ramona Macek, Kathy Stiffler, Capper Foundation; Dave Skinner, Monaco & Associates; Bill Perez, GT Independence; Beverly Weber Cobb, Lindsay Rowley, Circle of Friends; Sara Dinkel, Dream Catchers; Stacy Bleidissel, AIS; Lorraine Dold, Another Day; Amy Vickers, Positive Impact; Mark Gonzalez, Mosaic; Mary Stafford, Exploring Life; Frankie Holloway, Equi-Venture Farms; Billy Lewis, S&L Ranch; Elizabeth Barkley, Chandra Nichols, Serenity; MaryAnn Hughes, Sonia Hill, Holly Mace, Sunflower Supports; Lisa Marx, DCCCA; Janice Duran, Enabled Hearth; Gina Allen, Jonathan Allen, Compassionate Care; Sara Ditch, Caring & Compassionate Care; Sabrina Winston, Tiffanie Krentz, Coleen Hernandez, Robert Smith, Michelle Shirey, Rachael Piecukonis, Paula O'Brian, Diane Hanes, Haley Fender, Christine Hurla, SNCDDO

Derik Flerlage, Infectious Disease Division Manager, Chief of COVID-19 Operations, Shawnee County Health Department

Derik reviewed the CDC updated quarantine timelines for healthcare workers and for the general public. When CDC guidance comes out, the county typically waits for the state before implementing guidance. The State can choose to adopt or not adopt CDC guidance. The County can choose to adopt or not adopt CDC or State guidance.

Rapid Antigen tests are best. The PCR can still flag as positive the person had previously been positive in the last 90 days. The Rapid Antigen tests do not flag as positive if the person had previously been positive.

Where to get COVID tests? The Health Department is working on updating their site with this information. The Health Department no longer has antigen tests to hand out.

Differences between KDHE and SNCO guidance:

- KDHE guidance allows for positive staff to return to work during their infectious period if they will be working only with other positive persons. SNCO is not adopting this.
- KDHE defines an exposure as within 6 feet for 15 minutes. SNCO is going by 6 ft for 10 minutes.

Dr. Locke considers Day and Res providers as congregate settings.

For staff who go to a home that is not a congregate setting, we will follow up with guidance from Dr. Locke.

Administrative staff or staff not working with individuals are considered general public.

Any variant before Omicron does not protect against Omicron. Omicron is protective against any other variant. This could differ person to person.

Dr. Locke on references to Omicron being “mild”: Omicron is less severe than Delta but more severe than the original COVID.

Even if the percent of hospitalizations is low, we are still seeing hospitals at capacity because of the sheer number of cases.

There is currently no expiration on the booster. We are not sure yet if the booster will be needed annually.

Hopefully this spike will run its course in the next 3-4 weeks. It should either plateau or drop off in February.

Tracing and why it is important: One person with Omicron will infect 10 more people. If we can prevent even 1 person out of 10 from getting it, we consider that a success.

The test does not tell you what variant you have. Genome sequencing can be done to determine the variant. If you test positive at this point in time it is a sure bet that it's the Omicron variant.

Links:

Isolation and Quarantine timelines:

https://www.snco.us/HD/Document/010622_SNCO_Isolation_Quarantine_Guidance_Graphics.pdf

CDC Work Restrictions for Health Care Personnel: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assesment-hcp.html>

CDC Guidance for Group Homes for Individuals with Disabilities:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/group-homes.html>

KDHE Guidance for Isolation & Quarantine:

<https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/134/Isolation--Quarantine-Guidance-and-FAQs-PDF---11022?bidId=>

CDDO Updates/Reminders:

- Haley Fender was introduced as the new SNCDDO Liaison. Tiffanie Krentz's last day with the CDDO will be Feb. 11.
- CIR's: There should be a separate CIR from the provider and the Case Manager. Do not cut and paste someone else's CIR. You should be gathering your own information and submitting a separate CIR.
- BASIS invites: When sending BASIS invites, please indicate who the meeting is for. The entire team must be invited and updated information shared regarding the method of meeting – Zoom, in person, etc.
- All documents for BASIS assessments must be sent 2 days prior to the meeting so the Assessors have sufficient time to review the documents.
- We continue recruitment for the Council of Community Members. Send Nomination forms to Coleen.
- If you were in attendance via telephone, send an email to Christine churla@sncddo to be counted for attendance.

Training Opportunities/Resources:

- **February 10, 2022** 8:30-12:00 CDDO Training (Session 1: CDDO Overview, Article 63, BASIS, Status Action Forms)
- **February 22, 2022** 1:00-4:00 CDDO Training (Session 2: BCI, Transition Checklist, Critical Incident Reports, PAS Tools)
- Email Christine churla@sncddo.org to sign up for CDDO Training. Both trainings are required for new TCM's.

Next Affiliate Meeting:

February 9, 2022