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# Center for Addictions Research

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## Strengthening Treatment: Drug Abuse by Rural Youth Johnson County Advisory Group Meeting March 28, 2003 Minutes

Present: Erin Althuide, Brandon Beaudry, Jim Behle, Carolyn Cavitt, Elizabeth Curl, Angie Gerot, Jim Hall, Diane Huber, Mary Larew, Brad Richardson, Allie Rogers, Doug Smith, James Stehbins, Steve Steine, Michelle Turnbough, and Shannon Wagner.

### Announcements

- Jim Behle discussed the successful school funding referendum and that plans were underway for building new facilities.
- Carolyn Cavitt asked that everyone who could make it attend the city council meeting on April 8, 2003 and wear a bright green sticker with a "21" on it to show support for the "Over 21 Proposal."
- Brad Richardson announced that Dr. Rod Little would be giving a public lecture on "Missing Data in Longitudinal Studies" at the Oakdale Campus on April 7, 2003 from 12:00-1:00 PM with lunch provided. Those interested in attending should send an RSVP to Carol Foster (carol-foster@uiowa.edu) as soon as possible. Attendance will be limited to 30 participants.
- Mary Larew asked for help in recruiting patients for her Wednesday afternoon free clinic. She explained she wants to limit appointments to those who do not have insurance. She added that parental releases will be needed for physical examinations but that she can talk to them without one. Brandon Beaudry suggested a series of newspaper articles might help get the word out.
- Jim Hall announced that we are having a "Design a Logo for Iowa SCY" contest. We would like to use the logo in our letterhead, in our signage, and on our web-site. Four free movie passes will be given to the best design.

### Progress Reports

- Doug Smith reported that as of March 27, we have 29 assessments scheduled with 16 completed. We received 21 referrals from Juvenile Court Services, 5 from United Action for Youth, and 3 self-referrals. The breakdown of the level of care the adolescents were assigned to is:

▪ Level of Care	▪ Number of Adolescents
▪ 0	▪ 1
▪ 0.5	▪ 2
▪ 1	▪ 9
▪ 2.1	▪ 1
▪ 3	▪ 1
▪ 3.5	▪ 2

- We are in the process of developing therapy manuals and utilizing new evidence-based comprehensive plans. Once our drug treatment is in place, we will have more options to choose from.
- The Request for Applications (RFA) from NIDA is due on April 14, 2003. This builds on our current CSAT/SAMHSA grant and will improve our ability to conduct research with Project Iowa SCY. We have added a data management unit and statisticians Steve Arndt

and Jeff Dawson. To implement the improvement of our assessment of cognitive factors, such as ADHD, etc, Jim Stehbens will be on-site here at the AHRC with Lynn Richman overseeing this aspect.

#### Management Information System

- There has been a delay with our MIS plan due to HIPPA regulations. This is being worked on and should be completed by mid-April. We will train everyone how to use the MIS site and work out a plan with each site where the parents/child will sign-off.

#### Discussion: Ideas to improve our current project through research.

- Should we adjust our target ages up or down?
- Parent and teen committees
- Use mobile units in Iowa County to serve clients. We have several mini-vans to use, however we need to work out insurance issues.

Next meeting: Friday, April 25, 2003 from 12:00 to 1:00 PM at the AHRC.