

Colerain Township Community Health Coordinator An Enhanced Community Risk Reduction Effort

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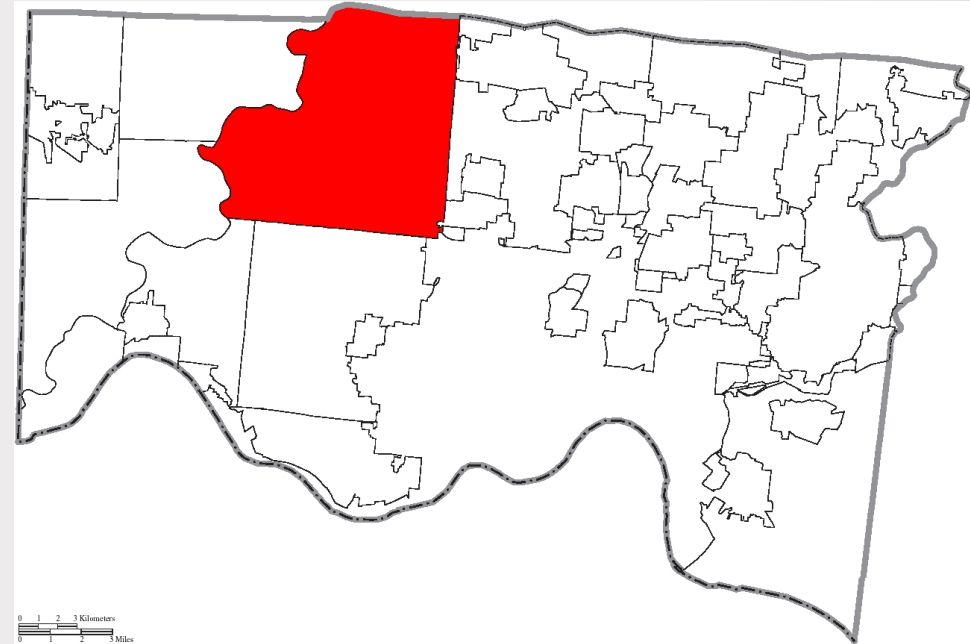


Discussion Points

- Provide a demographic/geographic overview of Colerain Township
- Discuss the role and creation of the Colerain's Community Health Coordinator (CHC)
- Discuss the importance for addressing psychosocial needs in addition to addiction and recovery resources.
- Provide an overview of the CHC's job description and explain the role within both QRT and the community referral program.
- Discuss the operational data and performance criteria used to evaluate program efficacy
- Evaluate capacity for jurisdictions to replicate the referral program and services.

Geographic and Demographic Overview

- Second Largest Township in the State of Ohio
- Largest Township in Hamilton County
- 43.2 Square Miles
- 60,000 residents
- 23,000 Households
- Median Household Income is \$63,000



Geographic and Demographic Overview

- 40% of population is 65 years of age and older
- 26% are between the ages of 40 and 64 years of age
- 10.3% live below the poverty line (4% are 65 and older)
- 31% minority population
- 52% of the population is female and 48% is male
- 8% of population has veteran status
- 153 Overdose calls (1.7% of run volume)
- Approximately 1700 calls (20%) contained a scenario where social services were needed.

What is a Community Health Coordinator?





Overall Job Description

- Serve as expert/advisor for Substance Use Disorder/Addiction
 - QRT (Quick Response Team)
- Work with Fire/EMS & PD to provide care coordination & link individuals to resources
- Assist with second chance employment programs by working with businesses/chamber of commerce
- Partner with Northwest School district to provide prevention/intervention for first time drug and alcohol offenders



PUBLIC HEALTH

QRT

- Team goes into community every Thursday morning to follow up with individuals who have experienced an overdose
 - Includes intentional and unintentional overdose incidents
 - Includes any substance use, not just opioids
- Team consists of CHC (Community Health Coordinator), Paramedic, and Police Officer
- Offers individuals treatment resources and harm reduction supplies/resources (Narcan, fentanyl test strips)
- Addresses any other additional needs that may be present
- Provides bags to people in need that include food, water, and basic hygiene items
- Morphed into more than just addiction/recovery focused – follow-ups done with any community member that has been identified as needing assistance
- Data for each client is entered into Cordata

QRT Data

2021:

Total Overdose Responses – 146

QRT Overdose Follow Ups – 101 (69%) of total overdoses. These were the individuals we determined were Colerain residents.

Face to Face Connections – 69 (68%)

Engaged in Treatment – 42 (61%)

Colerain Township Opiate Related Overdose Responses



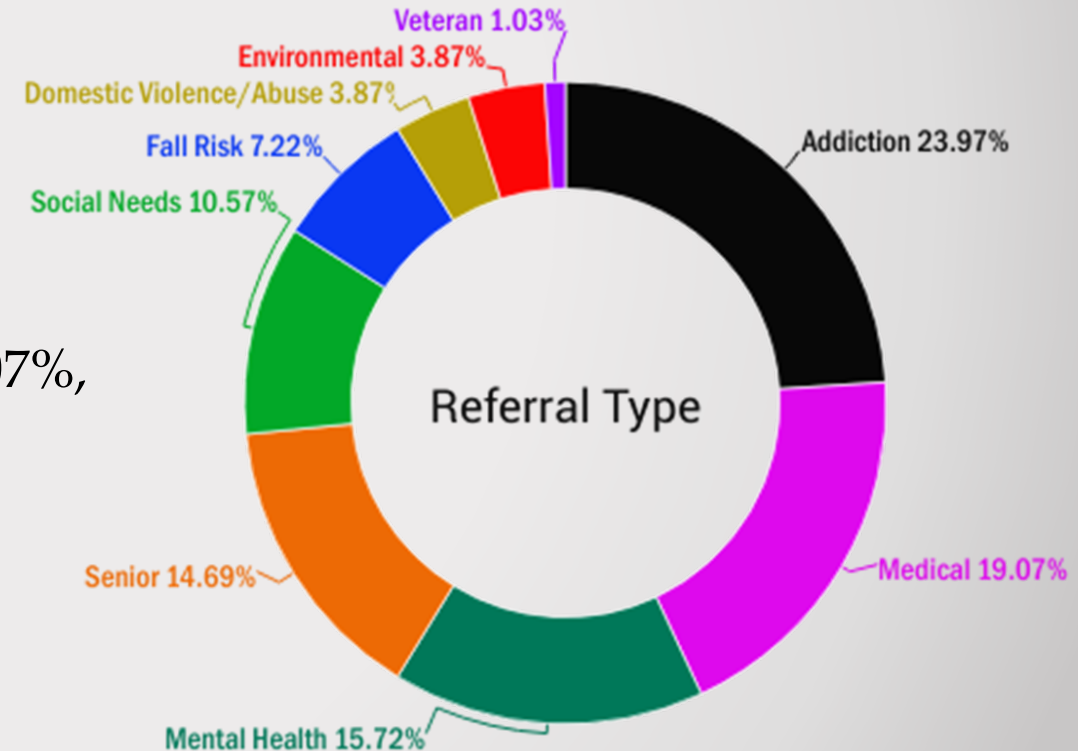
CHC Referral Program

- Partnered with both the fire department and police department in Colerain
 - Fire/EMS refers clients online through their electronic documenting system
 - PD refers clients via paper reports
- Eight different categories first responders can refer someone to:
 - Addiction services
 - Mental health services
 - Domestic violence/abuse
 - Environmental services
 - Food, clothing, rent, or utility assistance (basic needs)
 - Medical services
 - Senior services
 - Veteran services.
- If needed, CHC will go on scene with first responders to assist in real time
- Ensures there is open communication with first responders in order to update them on the outcome of each referral
- All client data entered into Cordata

CHC Referral Program Data

2021:

- Received 352 referrals from fire/EMS and the police
- 303 (86.1%) of the referrals were eligible clients (live in Colerain Township)
- CHC was able to contact 183 (60.4%) of the clients
- 118 clients (61.2%) were referred to services
- The top three most common referral types were addiction services with 23.97%, medical services with 19.07%, and mental health services with 15.72%



Northwest Local School District Partnership

- Work with NWLSD students who have been charged with minor, first time drug/alcohol offenses on school grounds
- Parents reach out to schedule a time to meet with the CHC and student when student is found to be using or have drugs/alcohol in their possession at school
- NWLSD requires the student to take a drug test and meet with the CHC in order to avoid prolonged suspension or possible expulsion
- CHC completes a short screening interview with the student, called the CRAFFT interview (https://crafft.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/CRAFFT_2.1_Clinician_2021-07-03.pdf)
- Provides the family with resources for the student, including drug/alcohol treatment, mental health treatment, or alcohol/drug education classes.
- CHC met with 46 students who were referred from NWLSD during the 2021-2022 school year

Moving Forward



“You can’t go back
and change the
beginning, but you
can start where you
are and change
the ending.”

~ Clive Staples
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Any Questions?

