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## KENTUCKY OPIOID ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Kentucky Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission  
Treatment and Recovery Subcommittee  
March 11, 2025

### MINUTES

**Members Present:** Executive Director Evans (in person), Chair Van Ingram (in person), and members Patricia Freeman (in person), Debbie Rains (in person), and Jason Roop (in person) were present.

**Staff Present:** Alison Chavies, Jessie Halladay, and Michelle Lopez

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

*Chair Ingram called the Treatment and Recovery Subcommittee application review meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2025.*

#### **II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*Patricia Freeman moved to adopt the agenda for March 11, 2025. Debbie Rains seconded, and the motion carried.*

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. March 5, 2025, Application Review Meeting

*Patricia Freeman moved to approve the minutes for March 5, 2025. Debbie Rains seconded, and the motion carried.*

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REMARKS**

*Steve Pendery, Judge Executive, Campbell County – Boone, Kenton, and Campbell are three of the top Counties in Kentucky that have been some of the hardest hit from the epidemic. The previous grant award has tremendously benefited the NKY area. The quality of the work has improved since the collaboration efforts have expanded with the opioid funding.*

*Amanda Peters, Executive Director, Northern KY Office of Drug Control Policy – Ms. Peters stated that she has determined in life “things happen for us and not to us at times.” Northern Kentucky Area DD has worked hard to build collaboration efforts throughout the Area Development District. These efforts, made possible from the first grant award, have helped the area evolve into more accepting and understanding. Stigma is still a huge issue in our area, as well as across the country, but our efforts in NKY are showing progress in breaking the stigma.*



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### **V. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*9:23 a.m. – Chair Ingram moved the Subcommittee go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing bidders for award moneys from the opioid abatement trust fund established in KRS 15.293, pursuant to KRS 15.291(5), but only include matters that are allowed to be discussed during executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810. Jason Roop seconded, and the motion carried.*

*Chair Ingram stated a motion was made, seconded, and adopted for the Subcommittee to retire into closed, executive session. This motion has passed by a majority vote of the members present, with enough members present to form a quorum, and thereafter the Chair announced:*

*“Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(n), of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act, the Committee will now retire into closed, executive session. Specific justification under the Kentucky Open Meetings Act for this action are as follows: meetings of any selection committee, evaluation committee, or other similar group established under KRS Chapter 45A or 56 or other state or local law, to select a successful bidder for award of a state or local contract.*

*This meeting will consider matters mandated by KRS 15.291(5), which comports with the exception found in KRS 61.810(1)(n).”*

### **VI. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

*11:37 a.m. – Jason Roop moved the Subcommittee return to open session. Patricia Freeman second, and the motion carried.*

*The Subcommittee had no application referrals at this time.*

### **VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

*Patricia Freeman moved the Subcommittee to schedule a Special meeting on Thursday, March 13, 2025, via Zoom @ 3:00 pm, to discuss the remaining applications in closed, executive session. Debbie Rains seconded, and the motion carried.*

### **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

*11:40 a.m. – Patricia Freeman moved to adjourn the subcommittee meeting. Jason Roop seconded, and the motion carried.*