

Meeting Minutes of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Law Enforcement Subcommittee Tuesday, March 31, 2026, *Unapproved*

Attendees:

Subcommittee Members: Misty Atkins, Julie Lockhart, Lata Menon, Kenneth Murray, Chief Shawn Schwertfeger (chair), Brad Story

Subcommittee Members Not Attending: Adam Crawford, Beth Bailey, Jason Milton, Errol Randle, Kevin Williams

Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP) Staff Attending: Olivia Fox, Justin Smith

State Opioid Response (SOR) Regional Coordinators Attending: Tyler Kerns

Marshall University Staff: Bradley McCoy

Opening:

Chief Shawn Schwertfeger (Chair) provided welcome and opening remarks of this meeting of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment – Law Enforcement Subcommittee. The meeting was called to order on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, and was conducted by Google Meet conference. Chief Schwertfeger approved the February 10, 2026 meeting minutes. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss completion of key performance indicators (KPIs) of the 2026 State Plan.

Agenda Items:

2026 State Plan Overview and Quarter 1 Progress Report

- **Goal 1, Strategy 1, KPI 1:** The Subcommittee is scheduled to have at least ten trainings events per year on Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training, Emotional Intelligence Training, Mental Health First Aid, and Handle with Care. The Subcommittee is already at 80% completion. Their recent training events included two CIT Trainings. Both trainings occurred Feb 23-37 with one located at the Wheeling Police Department and one at the Buckhannon Police Department. A deescalation training is scheduled this week in Nicholas County.
- **Goal 1, Strategy 1, KPI 2:** The Subcommittee is tracking law enforcement officers by county documenting who have attended trainings events. The Handle with Care Conference and several other events are scheduled. The February and March training courses have been documented, and numbers are detailed in the Quarter 1 Progress report. This KPI is at 25% complete with more training events scheduled to occur.
- **Goal 2, Strategy 1, KPI 1:** The notifications for the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program. This KPI is at 25% completion.
- **Goal 2, Strategy 1, KPI 2:** Some teams/counties have requested further training in using the new mapping systems. This KPI 2 is at 25% completion.
- **Goal 2, Strategy 2, KPI 3:** The ODCP can provide training upon request regarding the notification system. This KPI is at 25% completion.
- **Goal 3, Strategy 1, KPI 1:** The Subcommittee has received several reports about Angel, Crisis Intervention training, and the Sequential Intercept Model as well as the social

determinants of health. There have been at least 6 Angel trainings as of March. This KPI is 80% complete.

- **Goal 3, Strategy 1, KPI 2:** As of March 16, 2026, at least 208 state troopers have been trained on the Angel Initiative. This KPI 1 is at 25% complete.
- **Goal 4, Strategy 1, KPI 1:** There are no updates except for what each Subcommittee member submitted to be included in the Quarter 1 Progress Report. This KPI is at 25% completion.
- **Goal 4, Strategy 1, KPI 2:** Misty Atkins has a list of counties that need Handle With Care report training/help. Deputies report Handle With Care the most but the State Police would like more involvement here. This KPI is at 0% completion.
- **Goal 4, Strategy 2, KPI 1:** The Law Enforcement Subcommittee will communicate with Stephanie Thornton from the Courts Subcommittee to schedule meetings regarding the six Embedded Peer Programs. Chief Shawn Schwertfeger is sending her policy documents. This KPI is at 25% completion.

Additional Discussion:

- None.

Adjournment:

Chief Schwertfeger closed the meeting by thanking all Subcommittee members for their attendance and participation. The Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 9:00 AM.