

Center for Excellence on Addiction/JSI
Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs
Coordination & Cooperation Task Force
August 1, 2024 Meeting Summary

Meeting Summary

The Coordination & Cooperation Task Force met on August 1st, 2024 at the Northern New Hampshire Correctional Facility. Since there were only 5 members present in-person, the 1/3 quorum rule was voted on and enacted. The group heard a community presentation from the Department of Corrections staff introducing and describing the Focus program. The program prioritizes integration back into the community and whole-person care. After the presentation, a resident of the correctional facility gave a testimony about his lived experience in the Focus program and spoke to the benefits of peer recovery in prison systems. There were no further public comments. At the close of the meeting, the in-person attendees went on a guided tour of the Focus program wing at the facility.

Decisions/Recommendations Made

1. Decision to enact the 1/3 quorum rule.

Next Steps

- Next C&C Task Force meeting: October 3rd, 2024
- Continued promotion of upcoming C&C community-based meetings.