

TASK FORCE TO ASSIST THE INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON OPIOID AND OTHER SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS

Overview of Task Force. Per [Interim Committee Request 2017-02](#), a task force is necessary to assist the interim study committee in studying the scope of policy issues surrounding opioid and other substance use disorders.

By this charge, the interim study committee requests that the Task Force be composed as follows:

Co-Chairs: Robert Valuck, Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention
Jose Esquibel, Substance Abuse Trend and Response Task Force

Members: Representatives from the Colorado Providers Association, Colorado Medical Society, Colorado Pharmacists Society, Harm Reduction Action Center, law enforcement, non-law enforcement first responders, and substance abuse recovery.

Additional assistance or information may be sought by the Task Force from: the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the Department of Human Services and the Office of Behavioral Health, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, the Department of Public Safety, the Colorado Attorney General's Office, the Department of Regulatory Agencies, the National Council of State Legislatures, and the Council of State Governments, as needed.

Duties of the Task Force. The interim study committee requests that the Task Force:

1. provide data and information to the committee upon request, within the context of available resources, to help the committee define and understand the scope of the problem in Colorado;
2. convene relevant stakeholders to generate legislative policy ideas, group policy ideas by general category, assess initial levels of support and priority for the ideas, and present these findings to the interim study committee at its September 12 meeting;
3. Convene relevant stakeholders to work on editing and revising any draft bills that the interim study committee may decide to have request and have drafted following its September 14 meeting; and
4. Offer additional advice or assistance as desired and specified by the interim committee.

Timelines

Charges 1, 3, and 4: upon request of the interim study committee or bill drafters (based on number and nature of any specific bills that committee requests)

Charge 2

Task Force formed: by August 14, 2017
Task Force call (review process): August 18, 2017 at 9:00am
Initial ideas due (on forms): August 28, 2017 at 9:00am
Meetings (gather/discuss ideas): August 30 and 31, 2:00pm – 5:00pm
Temperature Taking on ideas: September 5, 3:00pm – 5:00pm
Presentation of ideas/input: September 12

Task Force Schedule

Collection, discussion, and initial vetting of policy proposals

Friday, August 18

9:00am - 10:00am

Process Overview

Conference call to discuss how the process will work.

Call in details:

Using Zoom meeting:

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

<https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/4602935705>

By telephone:

Dial: +1 646 558 8656 or +1 408 638 0968

Meeting ID: 460 293 5705

Monday, August 28

Due by 9:00am

Submission of Policy Proposals

Stakeholders may submit policy proposal ideas by email for consideration by the task force, using the standardized form, to: leg@corxconsortium.org.

Wednesday, August 30

2:00pm – 5:00pm

Location: State Capitol, Room 271

Meeting #1

Prevention/Early Intervention Proposals

2:00pm - 3:30pm: Clinical Practice (prescribers, dispensers, PDMP, SBIRT, abuse deterrent formulations, guidelines)

3:30pm - 4:00pm: Education (provider education, public awareness)

4:00pm - 4:15pm: Safe Disposal

4:15pm - 5:00pm: Law Enforcement (including LEAD / PAARI initiatives)

Thursday, August 31

2:00pm - 5:00pm

Location: State Capitol, Room 271

Meeting #2

Treatment/Recovery proposals

2:00pm - 2:30pm: Harm Reduction (naloxone, syringe access, SIF)

2:30pm - 3:15pm: Workforce Development

3:15pm - 4:15pm: Payment Reform

4:15pm - 4:45pm: Recovery Support

4:45pm - 5:00pm: Other/last minute proposals (time permitting)

Tuesday, September 5

3:00pm – 5:00pm

Location: State Capitol, Room 271

Meeting #3 - Consideration of Policy Proposals

Temperature taking on proposals previously discussed and rating ideas on priority, level of support.

Tuesday, September 12

Approx. 3:30pm

Presentation of Task Force Recommendations

Summary of proposals will be presented to the Interim Study Committee for their consideration.
