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HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Name:	HEALTH - Helping Everyone Achieve Long-Term Health		
Date of Meeting:	Mar 19, 2026	Time:	3:00 PM - 04:00PM
Minutes Prepared By:	Sharon Creasy	In-person/Virtual Meeting	In-Person
1. Attendees:			
Chris Osment (SCHD), Sharon Creasy (SCHD), Elizabeth Justice (SCHD), Jenna Peace (MDH), Rowan Renshaw (SCHD), Lisa Widmaier (ESAHEC), Rochelle Taylor ((REACH), Aves Ruffin-Justice (SCHD)			
2. Agenda/Topic/Discussion/Follow-Up:			
Welcome	Chris Osment called the meeting to order and warmly welcomed everyone.		
Program Updates	CHW update: - I would like everyone to meet Aves Ruffin-Justice, she is our newest CHW. - Tayna Jones as the new Behavioral Health CHW, though she will funnel referrals to the HEALTH program when they need services. - Aves has been reaching out to local churches to see if there is a need there - Two more CHW positions are open; they are contractual and for 2 yrs. - The link can be found on our Facebook page and the State Jobs App employment site. Program updates: - We had 11 closed referrals records in February. bring our unduplicated individuals served to 152. - Our goal is 675 which we hope to come close to by June This will put us at 50% of the goal for year 2. Through our new strategies will provide the numbers		

- We had a CAD meeting on Monday- we discussed where we are currently and where we are heading with the new strategies with the new CHW. They remain supportive and offered many suggestions to help drive engagement.

Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) Team-

- Cory Polidore is the Deputy Chief and is now our EMS contact for MIH.
- He will review all the existing current service agreements and create new ones to be able to utilize their CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) system as a referral source.
- Cory Polidore is going to speak with the commissioners to share a presentation about MIH and what the benefits are for Somerset County

Initiatives

- looking into school drop-off /pick-up to place a CHW to speak to parents
- We are getting more Tidalhealth referrals: CHW are meeting these referrals in person so we can capture this data more effectively and provide better service
- receiving referral now from internally with SCHD and externally from Dr. Haft.
- We will be getting lunchboxes with a bento box (portion control container) and filling the lunchboxes with leaflets for Diabetes, hypertension, read food labels and how to pack a healthy lunch to those that works with a CHW
- We are also working on seeing if we could give gas cards or food cards for those that complete the referral process. This was one of the suggestions that CHRC made.

Reproduction Health With CHW

- Aves is working the RH clinics on Thursday,
- The first 2 clinics have been done and went great. had several needing MA and some needing PCP referral.

Healthy Heart Ambassador Program Updates :

Rowan Renshaw

- Finished Cohorts with Somerset Commons with at least 10 finished the program. .
- Will start a cohort with Apple Drug and with Pastor Mills next week
- Have several billboards are still up for HHA
- Getting ready to do a mass mailer with all our programs Diabetes and hypertension

Elizabeth Justice:

- Looking to be Mid May for the Garden project to get started

Agency Updates	Rowan Renshaw- There will be a School Readiness fair at SIS being hosted by the Judy Center it will be open to all Somerset county residents for children 0-5. Family concerts and free chick filet dinner. Rochelle Taylor (REACH)- The 2026 Tidalhealth Healthfest is coming up on 04/15/2026 at the Roland Powell Convention Center in Ocean City MD from 9am to 12 noon. They are also sponsoring a training called COPE (Cost of Poverty Experience).
Questions/ Comments	
Next Meeting	Thursday, April 16, 2026 Virtual meeting