



# DV Subcommittee Minutes

## Wednesday, May 19 at 9:30AM ET

Present: Erin Viau (Delta, Menominee, Schoolcraft), Kimberly Sawatzki (Saginaw VA), Jessica McKerchie (Sault Ste Marie, Eastern UP), Lacey Luckhurst (Clinton, Shiawassee), Valerie Hoffman (MDHHS Victim Services), Robin Greiner (Midland, Gladwin), Beth Casady (Alger, Marquette), Tracy Davis (Mason Lake, Oceana), Sarah Hughes (NMCAA), Wendy Johnson (RISE, Isabella, Gratiot, Clare)

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

### 2. COVID Update:

Marquette: Keeping mask policy going for staff if residents enter the area, not finding more clients interested in testing or vaccinations

RISE: Also keeping things the same

NMCAA: 50% back in the office, similar policy to assume non-staff aren't vaccinated and keeping masks on

Mason, Lake, Oceana: Not seeing many survivors coming for testing or vaccinations. Staff are mixed in vaccine status so they are keeping their mask policy for all

Midland: Same experiences as others, offering transportation to vaccination sites

Sault Ste Marie: Seeing the same experiences, not changing policies

Tri-County: No changes on masking policies, only two households in shelter

Clinton Shiawassee: Recently had COVID outbreak in the office so they are at 50% shelter capacity and rotating staff, keeping mask rule. Have some staff that aren't vaccinated, keeping meetings virtual.

Saginaw VA: Federal mandate to remain masked. Population they work with are resistant to being vaccinated, but are running clinics. Some staff are vaccine avoidant.

Have shared a video and brochure on vaccines, but these haven't proven to change minds of those against vaccinations.

Considerations of trauma-related reasons for not masking or vaccinating and what type of community response those in similar situations are facing. How can all providers approach this conversation in a trauma-informed ways

### 3. PIT Update: Carry into next month, preliminary numbers show there was not much difference. Should start the conversations much earlier to see a difference. NNEDV released a count and showed a 90% participation rate for DV. Can use this in the HUD Application.

### 4. Emergency Housing Vouchers Update: 2030 expiration date, can be reused until September 2023. Send MSHDA webinar link, encourage DV agencies

### 5. Next Goals:



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- a. Email Group: Jessica will work on getting this done and out
  - b. Presentation: At July 8, 10AM ET, Governance Council Meeting, COVE and RISE have a SANE program in their building, did Tina offer to talk about SART? Might have been Haley from Petoskey. At June meeting can work out who will present. Move to top of agenda next month.
  - c. Determine next steps: CoC Application, DV Bonus Projects: Jessica can send scoring from last application. Can talk about at next meeting too.
6. New Business:
7. Adjourn

Next Meeting: June- move to 9am, look at 11 or 11:30