

# Dallas County Coalition

## Minutes

**Wauke Church of Hope**  
**305 N.E. Dartmoor**  
**Wauke, Iowa 50263**  
**10:30am – 12 Noon**  
**Wednesday October 25, 2023**

### Meeting Handouts

A [Dallas County Meeting Folder](#) is available for meeting handouts and other agency information. Go [here](#) to access the information and it is open to the public. Meeting agendas and minutes are located at [www.4rkids-eci.org](http://www.4rkids-eci.org).

### Attendance and Introductions

Khulud Abduhamid (Short Years), Amy Vigon (Every Step), Carol Bayer (New Opps), Hannah Vander Kopsa (CIAC), Amanda Wahlert, Deana Van Brocklin (Juvenile Court), Lora Patton (CCRR), Jenny Felt (DCAT), Reshana VanDeuren (American Lung), Alex Rohn (Mind Spring), Lisa Carstens (Zion), Terni Sothman (Iowa AEYC), Beverly Stokes (The Family Place), Jodi Tate (New Opps) and Debra Schrader (4 R Kids).

### Agency and Other Information

- Carstens, Certified Prevention Specialist at ZION Integrated Behavioral Health Services. Lisa shared with the group she taught the Prime for Life 420 Curriculum to 8<sup>th</sup> graders at West Central Valley Middle School (Redfield) in October. They are still seeking other schools in Dallas County that would be interested in either Prime for Life 420 (marijuana priority area) or LifeSkills Curriculum (tobacco priority area) yet this fall or in the spring. As for the gambling priority area, Lisa reminded the group of the Be #1 at Getting Help Media Campaign that ZION is promoting. This campaign has a sports betting emphasis and also promotes 1-800-BETSOFF. She also provided posters and magnets that people could take back to their agencies/businesses if interested.
- Reshana VanDeuren, American Lung Association, shared the Quarter 2 update for Dallas County. The update included tobacco control updates for tobacco and nicotine free policies, youth vaping education, and tobacco cessation resources. Information for an upcoming youth vaping and marijuana misuse webinar was also shared. The webinar will take place on Nov 6<sup>th</sup> and is intended for adults who work with youth. You can register for the webinar here: <https://bit.ly/7AMwebinar> <https://bit.ly/4PMwebinar>
- CIAC – The car show September 10, 2023 in Boutin was a success.

### Early Childhood Updates/Information

- The 4RKids Board has Dallas County position open on the board.
- Recommendations on the changes to 19 programs that run through HHS has yet to be provided.
- Lora Patton provided data from CCRR's FY23 annual report.
- Information was provided on the EveryStep Nest Program, Dallas County parents will need to travel to Polk County to receive services and meet income guidelines.
- Opioid death data in Iowa was provided to the group.
- Children K-12<sup>th</sup> grade that receive free and reduced lunches may qualify for \$120 from the EBT program.

### Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council Updates/Information

- The FY24 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report was shared with the group; 114 adults served and 4 sessions provided.
- The bank balance is \$2,825.77 and bills have been paid through July.
- The CCPC conference is November 15, 2023.

The next meeting is February 28, 2024. Respectfully submitted by Deb Schrader