

**Shawnee County CDDO
Affiliate Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2025**

Present: Sara Dinkel, Dream Catchers; Lindsay Blank, Tina Ruecker, Stephany Semple, Martha Boatright, Kristi Galloway, Rayna Goldsmith, Sally Martin, Courtney Priest, Angie Dougan, Matt Fletcher, TARC; Jenell Jones, Pearlie Mae's; Stacy Parker, Sondra Warner, Marsha Cooper, Joni Fitzpatrick, Sarah Douglas, SLI; Stacy Bleidissel, Luke Bleidissel, AIS; Bethany Kuhl, S&L Ranch; Quinta Avance, Avance-d Community Alternatives; Roneisha Gueary, Gina Allen, Jonathan Allen, Compassionate Care Community Services; Mary Pierson, Capper Foundation; Mary Stafford, Exploring Life; Debra Bowden, ARC of Douglas County; Ashley Seimears, Stephanie Koenig, Monaco & Associates; Crystal Walquist, Cospers; Jesse Cox, Loving Hearts Training Center; Michelle Shirey, Callie Simmons, Coleen Hernandez, Rachael Piecukonis, Koree Bell, Laura Higbee, Christine Hurla, SNCDDO.

Guest Presenters:

Kristi Hill, Valeo, CIT Coresponder. Kristi presented on the role of the Coresponders and gave information on the Mobile Crisis Response Team.

Mobile Crisis Response : (785) 233-1730 ext. 6369, crisisinterventionteam@valeotopeka.com
For more information contact the Behavioral Health Unit at (785) 207-2942 or bhu@topeka.org

CDDO Updates/Reminders:

- MFEI updates. The BCI tab with scheduling links and information is being updated. Coordination of the meeting needs to occur at least 7 weeks prior to the last assessment date. The medication list and physical is helpful in running the meeting efficiently. [See attached MFEI Update from the assessment team.](#)
- Forms were made available for affiliates to submit feedback to the PCSP workgroup. There was an opportunity to sign up for the CDDO Affiliates Best Practices workgroup.
- Gatekeeping packets must be submitted as a complete packet. It is the responsibility of the TCM submitting the packet to gather all necessary documents and include with the application. There is a checklist available in Forms in BCI.
- The CDDO/State contract is expected to be signed soon.
- Information was shared regarding the temporary bridge rate for HCBS I/DD day and residential services. Feedback should be directed to KDADS.

Training Opportunities/Resources:

- **CDDO Training:** July 31, 2025 8:30-12:00 (Session 1: CDDO Overview, Article 63, BASIS, Status Action Forms, Crisis Funding Requests)
- **CDDO Training:** August 26, 2025 1:00-4:00 (Session 2: BCI, Transition Checklist, Critical Incident Reports, PAS Tools).

Email Christine Hurla churla@sncddo.org to sign up for trainings.

- **Resource Fair:** October 4, 2025. 10:30-2:30

If you attended via telephone and were not able to add your name to the chat, send an email to Christine churla@sncddo.org to be counted for attendance.

Next Affiliate Meeting: September 11, 2025 at 11:00
Virtual meeting. Zoom link will be sent out