



**Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future**  
**Working Group to Study Methods of Preventing Opioid Overdose Deaths**  
**by Authorizing Harm Reduction Health Centers**

**Agenda: Meeting #6**

Friday, February 7, 2025

1:00 – 3:45 PM

**VIRTUAL ONLY:** Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85993518221>; or Dial: (309) 205-3325, Meeting ID: 859 9351 8221

**PRE-READING/VIEWING:**

1. Rhode Island: “The Nation’s First State-Authorized Overdose Prevention Center: Legal and Public Health Updates”: <https://www.nephtc.org/enrol/index.php?id=415> (NEPHTC webinar recording from 1/14/25)
2. Canada: “National Operational Guidance for the Implementation of Supervised Consumption Services”, Canadian Research Initiative in Substance Matters, July 2023 (Attachment)

START	ITEM	
1:00	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Name, affiliation, pronouns (optional)</li></ul>	Gordon Smith, Chair
1:05	<b>Meeting Preparation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Review meeting agenda and group agreements</li><li>Recap status: areas of inquiry and timeline for completion</li></ul>	Carol Kelly, Facilitator
1:10	<b>Learning from Portugal</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><u>Guest Speaker</u>: Hugo Ameal Faria, Psychologist and General Coordinator of <a href="#">Ares do Pinhal</a>, an NGO for social inclusion in Lisbon</li><li>Q&amp;A</li></ul>	Hugo Faria, Lisbon
1:50	<b>Learning from Canadian Research Initiative in Substance Matters (CRISM)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><u>Guest Speaker</u>: Elaine Hyshka, PhD, <a href="#">Professor at University of Alberta</a> in Edmonton and Committee Chair of CRISM, which authored the “National Operational Guidance...” (see above and attached)</li><li>Q&amp;A</li></ul>	Elaine Hyshka, Edmonton
2:30	<b>Learning from Grand Prairie, Alberta</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Dalyce Salther-McNabb, RN, Executive Director, <a href="#">Northreach Society</a> in Grand Prairie, Alberta</li><li>Q&amp;A</li></ul>	Dalyce Salther-McNabb, Grand Prairie
3:00	<b>Reflections &amp; Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Debrief today’s presentations and pre-reading/viewing</li><li>Additional information and updates since last meeting</li></ul>	Gordon Smith, Chair Working Group members
3:20	<b>Review &amp; Discussion: Working Group Report to the Legislature</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Review report outline and content to date</li><li>Recap plan for 2/14 meeting and process for constituency feedback</li></ul>	Carol Kelly, Facilitator Working Group members
3:45	<b>Closing and Adjourn</b>	Gordon Smith, Chair

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