



## Virtual Opioid Task Force Meeting – Update March 2, 2021

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It was great to see so many of you at last week's meeting and to hear from Maricia and Lainnie about the Lowell Co-Op and from Keriann about the Bridge Recovery Center in Malden. The work that is happening in our communities around recovery and the thoughtful ways in which law enforcement is grappling with behavioral health and SUD issues is so important and these are two very strong examples.

As DA Ryan mentioned, our **next meeting will be March 31st so please mark your calendars**. We will be hearing from Jon Kelley of Trinity EMS and we are hoping to have a speaker to talk about the implications of long-haul COVID in our communities; most especially in the context of mental health and substance use.

The two slide decks that we reviewed at the February meeting should be up on our website - that is always a good place to find resources from our meetings.

I hope that folks will have the chance to participate in the Newton Wellesley COVID and SUD presentation **tomorrow**. Here is the registration link once again: [https://partners.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_I-dNRwM0Q5ujGTv74f2m0w](https://partners.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_I-dNRwM0Q5ujGTv74f2m0w)

I also wanted to mention an upcoming webinar from the National Council on Behavioral Health, March 19th addressing Social Isolation and the Adolescent. [https://thenationalcouncil-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_q08AS5DbTQCHI5YPFi4-Ig?mkt\\_tok=NzczLU1KRi0zNzkAAAF7kqzVdfnNgkA-0EZ2onhyY-Hv16J3bnr\\_sqlwFntHblo7PuT\\_ergvLbjpBmA-J3hViQmv9sU89XfHcdSt1\\_HlrkFf3Mm32R\\_0jd8nqd](https://thenationalcouncil-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_q08AS5DbTQCHI5YPFi4-Ig?mkt_tok=NzczLU1KRi0zNzkAAAF7kqzVdfnNgkA-0EZ2onhyY-Hv16J3bnr_sqlwFntHblo7PuT_ergvLbjpBmA-J3hViQmv9sU89XfHcdSt1_HlrkFf3Mm32R_0jd8nqd)

Warm regards and take care,

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