

**Behavioral Health Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2015**

Members Present: Raphael Rivera (Lionetta Albright), Erin Emerson (Amy Allen), Julie Barron, Joeline Beckett (webinar), Linda Burghardt, Karen Cashen, Elmer Cerano, Mary Chaliman, Becky Cienki, Michael Davis, Norm DeLisle, Mary Beth Evans (webinar), Kevin Fischer, Benjamin Jones, Jane Regan (Lauren Kazee), Tina Louise, Kevin McLaughlin, Paula Nelson, Chris O'Droski, Stephanie Oles, Marcia Probst (webinar), Ben Robinson, Kim Rychener (Lori Ryland) (webinar), Kristie Schmiege, Terri Henrizi (Jane Shank), Brian Wellwood, Jeff Wieferich

Members Absent: Marlene Lawrence, Kevin O'Hare, Jamie Pennell, Neicey Pennell, Mark Reinstein, Patricia Smith, Sally Steiner, Cynthia Wright.

Others Present: Kathy Bennett, Carlisle Beauchene, Emily Jarvis, Naomi Snyder. Larry Scott, Jennifer Stentoumis, Lynda Zeller

Welcome and Introductions – Chris O'Droski

Review and Approval of Minutes - Elmer moved/Becky seconded, minutes approved unanimously

BHDDA Updates – Jeff Wieferich

- Medicaid Health Plan rebid planning continues. Group concerned about MH/BH services not getting enough attention in requirements.
- Healthy Michigan - over 588,000 people enrolled currently. April is time to renew, so will have some enrollees who will not renew and will lose their coverage.
- Health Homes - 475 people enrolled in two sites. Working on streamlining eligibility (FQHC and Tribal Health Centers Health Homes project is a separate project that has just started). Housing, transportation and other services and supports are all a part of the considerations of this project.
- PIHP dashboards – working with MPHI to finish these. Target date October 1.
- Children's Behavioral Action Team – contract awarded to the Guidance Center, started March 1st.
- Mental Health and wellness recommendations – BHAC made some recommendations, projects are not finalized.
- Lori Ryland will serve as the liaison to the Diversion Council for the BHAC.
- State Innovation Model – not coming out of BHDDA. sim@mailmihealth.org for more info.
- MiHealth Link – 100-200 people enrolled in two sites. PIHPs and ICOs working together to serve people. There has been some confusion about Medical necessity and in the functioning of the call centers the State is continuously working on clarifying things and making sure people are getting correct information.
- DCH/DHS Merger – go-live date is April 10th. There is not a lot of concrete information about this at this time. More details will be released in the next two months. Employees have been asked for their thoughts and recommendations to try to streamline the process as much as possible. The new department will be called the Department of Health and Human Services.

FY 16-17 combined MH & SA Block Grant Application – Internal meetings at BHDDA are beginning on March 31st. Combined both grants bring in about \$70 million block grant dollars into the State. The app is due September 1st, but the feds encourage submission much before that. Karen presented some select sections of the FY 14-15 application to the group to begin the discussion for FY 16-17. All application documents are available on the MDCH website. Karen asked the group for input on unmet service needs for adults with SMI, Children with SED and individuals with SUD. Becky Cienki indicated that a thorough needs assessment would be helpful. Jeff indicated that CMHs submit annual needs assessments to BHDDA, but additional work could be done there.

Ideas suggested by the group: There is a large gap in access for comprehensive community-based services for people with only Medicare; spend down issues impacting access to community-based services; access to community-based services prior to urgent/emergent situations; more residential options for people who are discharged from inpatient settings but not yet ready to go back to the community; training on MH for corrections and court staff; alternatives for kids who are waiting for an inpatient bed; lack of child psychiatrists; lack of understanding of Medication Assisted Treatment for pregnant women; housing support services; street outreach to people with SMI; making people aware of available services; reducing stigma; people who cannot access the level of service needed due to ineligibility for CMH services, inadequate insurance coverage, etc.; training for recovery coaches and follow-up services.

Larry reviewed the SUD unmet needs that were included in the FY14-15 application for the group. Jennifer reviews the children's SED section and Karen reviewed the adult SMI section. Karen reviewed the performance indicators from the FY 14-15 application. Karen asked the BHAC to review the application online and asked Chris to facilitate a discussion with the group about how they would like to participate in the development of the application.

Subcommittee of the BHAC to review needs was suggested.

Subcommittee Volunteers: Norm, Ben, Becky, Tina, Julie, Linda, Jane, Stephanie, Kevin, Brian, Marcia, Norm will set up a meeting wizard and a teleconference to start the discussion.

Joe Longcor gave a presentation on the Freedom to Work/Medicaid Buy-In revisions. A handout was provided. He also spoke about the ABLE ACT and a handout was provided about that as well.

Department of Corrections Peer Support Specialist Initiative – Mike Davis explained that the DOC is in the process of initiating this project and working on a grant application with DCH to support this. There are plans for two pilot sites – one female and one male. They are looking at training peers and recovery coaches.

Consumer Run Drop-In Center Presentation – Justice in Mental Health Organization staff presented info on consumer run drop-in centers. Multiple handouts were provided. Go to www.JIMHO.org for more information.

Mental Health Association Update – Linda Burkhardt reported that there was a Partners in Crisis Coalition meeting in December to discuss advocacy and policy issues to focus on. Parity study – 88 health plans were reviewed online and most were found to not be compliant with mental health parity. They are now moving forward with a survey to determine people's experiences with their own insurance coverage. Any agency that would like to help disseminate this survey to the people their agency services, contact Linda at lburchardt@comcast.net

Recovery Voices – Chris O. reported that RV is still expanding its memberships. They are putting together a workshop on Multiple Pathways to Recovery that they are proposing to various conferences. They hope to provide technical assistance across the state to assist communities in developing these recovery oriented services on their own. Kevin M. explained how RCOs are trying to find their focus amid the ever changing landscape of recovery. April 21st is Michigan Advocacy Day.

Recovery Oriented System of Care – Kristie Schmeige reported on the meeting. Pam Werner from DCH reported on the group that is moving forward on the integrated peer curriculum looking at peer support specialist, recovery coaches and wellness coaches and community health workers. There is a credentialing subcommittee meeting at the end of March. There was a lot of discussion about the new Medication Assisted Treatment guidelines.

Karen reminded the group that the BHAC currently has one vacancy for an individual from an agency that provides services to special populations. We need to ensure that we have adequate diversity on the council. If anyone has a nomination, contact Karen. She reminded the group of the future meeting dates.

Future Presentations – Chris O suggested a presentation from a group that does peer prison re-entry. The BHAC was receptive to seeing a presentation. Other ideas: Mental Health First Aid, Recovery College, Prison-based Peer Support, DCH/DHS merger, Michigan Housing and Recovery Initiative, SEDW and DHIP, Foster Care Psychotropic Medication Monitoring, Mental Health and Drug Courts, Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention grants funded by Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act Funds, Unified SA Credentialing, Seclusion and Restraint in schools, NAMI Stigma and Youth Presentations.

Public Comments

- Jane Regan DOE – Gov. Snyder moved the school reform office out of DOE and moved it to DTMB effective May 1st. Mike Flannigan is retiring and will be replaced by Brian Winston as State Superintendent.
- NAMI State Conference May 14th and 15th – go to NAMI website for more info.
- SUD Conference will be held in September. Dates not confirmed yet.
- Michigan Campaign to end Homelessness has achieved a state-level committee to continue to working on ending homelessness. MSHDA and DCH were awarded a joint grant from HUD.
- Recovery Walk in Ann Arbor on May 30th. Go to www.homeofnewvision.org for info.
- ACMH Conference on May 4th. Go to www.ACMH-mi.org for more info.

Brian moved to adjourn the meeting, Kristi seconded. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

The next meeting will be June 12, 2015.