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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Mental Health Advisory Board Minutes
January 26, 2011

Board Members: Dana Baker; *Chair*, Armando Herrera, Christyna Hengstler, Kathy McNicholas, Nahid Razzaghy, Phinthang Yeang, Veronica Mo, James Mead, Christie Kratovil, Rinna Rem, George White, Cassandra Sellards-Reck

Members Present: Armando Herrera, Christyna Hengstler, Kathy McNicholas, Phinthang Yeang, James Mead, and Christie Kratovil,

Members Absent: Rinna Rem, Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Dana Baker, Veronica Mo, Nahid Razzaghy

Staff Present: Melodie Pazolt, Sela Barker

Guests: Kim Kendall; Kenji Sanders; Don Koenig, CCS; Jen Logan, Lifeline Connections; Avery Kennedy, Telecare; Bridget McLeman, CHSW

Agenda Item	Discussion	Discussion Leaders	Decisions, Actions, Assignments
1. Welcome and Introductions	The Vice Chair welcomed all and asked the Board and members present to introduce themselves.	All	
2. Meeting Minutes Approval	Minutes for November meeting were reviewed.	Armando Herrera	Decision: The Board unanimously agreed to approve minutes.
3. Homeless 10 Year Plan	<p>Kate Budd presented information on the Homeless 10 year Plan Update. They are in the process of getting community feedback and hope to have the Plan adopted by 2011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coalition of Service Providers developed Strategies on the plan. - A lot of accomplishments in the years since plan was adopted in 2005 - The plan creates new action steps for the future based on new legislation such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hearth act-McKinney funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This legislation is focused on outcomes. - Moving toward perm. Housing not just # of services. - Looking at Best Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 10 year Plan is 88 pages and is based on the Point in time count, which is a one-day event to capture the number of individuals living on the streets or in shelters etc. - Housing activity chart-Inventory Chart which will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - shelters - Trans. Housing - Perm. Housing <p>Strategies on the plan include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Prevention-Intervention - Re-entry \ Diversion 	Kate Budd	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perm Supported Housing - Transitional Supportive Housing - Employment-Income support - Outreach Linkage. <p>Next Steps-accepting feedback through February 15th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - adding suggestions - then the plan will go to the Council for the Homeless Board for approval - then to Clark County commissioners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Audience questioned about shelter and prevention activities - Response better if someone makes call on their behalf. 		
4. RSN Manager's Report	<p>Melodie provided a report on Connie's behalf as she is attending the RSN administrator's meeting in Olympia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Connie wanted to thank the board members who were able to attend the RHA/ACO presentation by Dale Jarvis on 1/14/10 at the VHA Community Room. She appreciated their participation. Vanessa conducted a work session with BOCC and has received an approval for the Dept. to work with SWWA communities toward a regional approach to service delivery. It was suggested that perhaps the board would consider a letter to support the RSN/DCS efforts in this direction. --Informed the board that we are working with Dale Jarvis on tackling the RSN budget shortfall. A webinar is scheduled for February 1 for provides to receive an overview of the RSN budget. Information was distributed to the board with the call in number. --Invited the board chair to participate in the annual MHPAC/RSN administrators meeting scheduled for February 9. --Provided a legislative update including a handout that lists the various bills. --Informed the board of the working partnership with providers to conduct advanced HIPAA training. James Mead stated he is interested in attending. --Provided an update on the hiring for a clinical manager and the two care managers positions. --Provided the board with a copy of an email from Vanessa Gaston about Commissioner Boldt's survey of agencies and the budgetary impacts. Commissioner Boldt is looking at how the community can come together and help each other during these tough economic times given all the budget cuts. An attempt was made to try and get an understanding to of the reductions or elimination of services in Clark County by asking various agencies a series of questions. 	Melodie Pazolt	
5. Quality Manager's Report	<p>Quality Manager's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EQRO is scheduled to review the RSN on February 14th & 15th. This review is a requirement from Medicaid that the state conduct an annual review for compliance with regulations. Every year we are required to have 2 Performance Improvement projects. The three projects currently in place are: Employment; Access; and improving access after discharge from hospital. - The review will also evaluate our compliance with enrollee rights and grievances. They will review our information system. The EQRO plans to visit 4 of our agencies: CRMHS; Lifeline; CSNW; and Children's Center. - They will be reviewing each agencies enrollee rights & grievance processes and completing a security walk-through. • Evaluation of the QMC work plan is to be presented to QMC. 	Sela Barker	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning Programmatic site review with agencies. February 19th is the first review with CCS. Completing work on the audit of respite services. Update on Employment rate for the Employment PIP. 9.8% employment rate. 		
6. MHAB Subcommittee Reports	<p>Information from the QRT. They have been interviewing candidates and have 3 QRT nominations: Two of the candidates were able to attend the MHAB meeting. Kim Kendall & Kenji Sanders introduced themselves. Armando reviewed the process that the candidates submitted their letters of interest. They were interviewed by the QRT and reviewed by the RSN. Armando motioned to accept and appoint the 3 applicants to the QRT. Motion carried.</p> <p>SAAB-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DeDe S. spoke about prevention re-design initiative. They are developing a Prevention Collaboration with School districts and are piloting a program to get it off the ground. Cleve Thompson updated the SAAB board about the Deaf Addiction Center- AIDS / HIV, Prevention Services through Public Health are getting cut. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10%-20% cut still on its way in addition to 42% cut that has already taken place. The SAAB board is having conversations about the integrated health care system. Sondra Storm-provided info on drug paraphernalia being removed from stores. Armando commented on how they are trying to extend the removal of drug paraphernalia to the "Mary Jane's" stores. He stated that Evergreen is going to lay-off 6 Prevention Specialists and the SAAB board is writing a letter to oppose this decision. He challenged the MHAB board to also support this effort and encourage the school district to change their policy as they can make this change without community input. 	Armando Herrera	
7. Nomination of officers	<p>Nominations and voting on new officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dana nominated James as Chair through an email to Armando Armando nominated as Vice chair Kathy nominated as member at large <p>By-laws are silent on what constitutes a quorum for voting purposes. Christie motioned to accept the nominations and Phin seconded. The motion carried.</p>	All	
8. Community Input	<p>--Melodie shared some updates from the WorkFirst Local Planning Area board about the numbers of individuals/families on TANF that will lose their cash benefits. Approximately 300 families will lose benefits 2/1/11. Another 400-500 will be impacted by new financial eligibility that will count SSI as income where previously it had not been included.</p> <p>--Kate announced Project Homeless Connect is January 27th from 10-3:00 at the Red Lion at the Quay.</p>		
9. Adjourn - Next Meeting	The next meeting is Wednesday, February 23, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Clark County Center For Community Health, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd., Conference Room C210-B & C.		