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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Mental Health Advisory Board Minutes
May 27, 2009

Board Members: Quan Tran, David Weniger Susan Brettschneider, George White, Cassandra Sellards-Reck, Armando Herrera, Judi Borchers; Dana Baker; Corrine Anderson-Ketchmark, *Chair*.

Members Present: Armando Herrera, Judi Borchers, Dana Baker, Corrine Anderson-Ketchmark, *Chair*.

Members Absent: Quan Tran, David Weniger Susan Brettschneider, George White, Cassandra Sellards-Reck

Staff Present: Karyl Ramsey, RSN; Sela Barker, RSN; Melodie Pazolt, RSN; Melanie Green, RSN; Connie Colbo, RSN

Guests: Janice Hafer, John Hillgrove, Sheree Thun, John Hillgrove, Val Ogden Center; Becky Hill, SWMC-ADAPT; Janice McKenzie, NAMI; Sue Gebhardt, Lifeline Connections; Bill Waters, Val Ogden Center; Nancy Parker, CRMHS; representative for CHSW.

Agenda Item	Discussion	Discussion Leaders	Decisions, Actions, Assignments
Welcome and Introductions	Corrine opened the meeting with an introduction of Commissioner Marc Boldt who presented retiring board member Judi Borchers with a letter of appreciation and plaque of recognition for her years of service on the board.	All	
Meeting Minutes Approval for	Due to a lack of quorum, approval of March meeting minutes was tabled to the July public meeting.	Corrine Anderson-Ketchmark	
Employer/Employee Award for Employment PIP	Melodie presented a brief video on the power of employment for people with mental health issues. She stated that few are currently employed. We are working hard to improve these numbers and re-educate the community and employers. Award recipients for this quarter: Employee—Janice Hafer; Employer—Billy's Barks and Bubbles. The Board thanked Melodie for a very informative video.	Melodie Pazolt	
RSN Manager's Report	<p><i>Karyl reported on behalf of Connie Mom-Chhing who was in Olympia for an RSN/MHD meeting.</i></p> <p>There are 11 RSN positions that have been left unfilled during the past year due to budget constraints. Karyl Ramsey was promoted to Clinical Manager.</p> <p>Sales tax—this has been reduced by 10% for the biennium. Programs that were not fully ramped up were eliminated. The Hotel Hope budget was reduced by \$30k.</p> <p>Budget—the governor has signed the budget, but RSNs have not yet received the final budget.</p> <p>MHD Update—Assistant Secretary Doug Porter sent a memo to Health and Recovery Services Administration stakeholders outlining Phase Two of HRSA's realignment and reform. A couple of points addressed were the components of three divisions that will be condensed to two: RSN contracts and other RSN quality-monitoring components which will</p>	Karyl Ramsey	

	<p>be integrated with the managed care Health Options staff in the Division of Healthcare Services. Remaining Mental Health Division headquarters components will be merged with the current Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse.</p> <p>System redesign—The Clinical Design Review Committee (CDRC) held a preliminary meeting last week to introduce providers to the charter of this new committee. This is a subcommittee of the Quality Management Committee and is responsible for planning, developing, and implementing comprehensive mental health service that is accessible and flexible in supporting resiliency and recovery.</p> <p>As part of the redesign, the RSN has requested additional technical assistance from Barbara Mauer to help inform the provider network about level of care concepts and options. This initiative was approved by the BOCC as part of the RSN's utilization management effort. Barbara will be providing training on July 13 from 1-5 p.m. to DCS finance, IT, and RSN staff along with clinical and administrative leadership from all contract agencies.</p> <p>Tour of MH providers—Commissioner Mielke toured Children's Center and CRMHS in early May. Vanessa and Connie accompanied him on the tours. He was given an overview of the organizations and the mental health services they provide. He also listened to the challenges that providers are facing as well as the opportunities for cost-saving strategies they may implement.</p>		
Quality Manager's Report	Sela reported that the RSN has been undergoing their recertification process with the Mental Health Division. They reviewed performance and compliance of WACs. She reported that the RSN is now fully recertified and passed with flying colors. The RSN was complimented on the Quality Management program, their reports, and efforts in promoting recovery.	Sela Barker	
Ombuds Report	Due to Ombuds' absence, this report will be presented at the next MHAB public meeting in July.	Melanie Maiorino	
MHAB Subcommittee Reports	<p>SAAB update—Armando provided an update to the Board.</p> <p>--He reported they met with Vancouver School Board Intervention Specialist Barbara Lorenzo and Sheryl Smith. Their program provides one-on-one work in groups and with parents. Two programs they offer are for recovery and an insight group. Youth who attend the insight group have their suspensions reduced from 11 to 5 days. The program also works with youth whose parents, relatives, or friends may be using substances.</p> <p>--The board has three applicants who have applied.</p> <p>--They discussed the smoking issues around the Center for Community Health.</p> <p>--Cleve Thompson discussed the Rose Grant which is a three-year grant that provides \$400k; he also talked about working with the community and faith-based organizations. The plan is to model SAMHSA; however, no housing services will be available. Direct services will receive 90% of the funds. The goal is to serve 160 clients every 90 days with recovery services, life skills, and support groups to name a few.</p> <p>Other board updates and decisions were tabled to July meeting due to lack of quorum.</p>	Board Members	
Community Input	Melodie Pazolt and Melanie Green have the video that was presented at this evening's meeting available for those who would like it. It also streams on the Clark County Web site.	All	
Adjourn - Next Meeting	The next meeting is Wednesday, July 29, 2007, 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.		