



Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare

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**Behavioral Health Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2016**

Advisory Members Present:

- Brenda Carlisle
- Dean Loftus, Chair
- Donald Rashid, Vice Chair
- Mary Jane Karabatsos
- Michele Missel
- Chandra Petersen
- Shawn Shanahan
- John Sheehan
- Michael Touzin

Advisory Members Absent:

- Mary Jane Karabatsos
- Jerry Kruse

Region 6 Staff Present:

- Taren Petersen

Recorder: Gary McGaha

1. Welcome and Roll Call

Dean Loftus, Chair, called the meeting to order. Roll call of members determined there was a quorum.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 2, 2016

John Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes from November 2, 2016. Michael Touzin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

3. Approval of Agenda

Michael Touzin made a motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting. John Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

**4. Report of the Mental & Behavioral Health Task Force – Legislative Resolution 413
– Taren Petersen**

See handouts. Ms. Petersen noted some key points in the report. She stated that the legislature may pass legislation as a result of the report.

5. Spotlight on Levels of Care – Taren Petersen

a. Transitional Services for Youth – Amy Weaver, Melissa Schaefer, Miles Glasgow

i. Peer support group

This group is for youth ages 16-26. The group—which meets twice monthly at Region 6—fosters a safe, confidential environment for youth.

ii. Independent living classes

Classes are offered on such topics as communication, relationships, and employment skills. Youth under age 19 need parental consent in order to attend. Classes are free of charge.

iii. Barriers to access

Some barriers to access include transportation and scheduling problems, as well as difficulty finding topics relevant to youth.

6. 13 Minutes Public Awareness Campaign – Melissa Schaefer

This is a public awareness campaign focused on suicide prevention. Ms. Schaefer gave a PowerPoint presentation to the group. The website for this campaign is <http://www.13minutes.org/>.

7. Nebraska Behavioral Health Needs Assessment 2016 – Stacey Warner

See handouts. Ms. Warner gave a PowerPoint presentation to the group.

8. Annual Provider Performance Indicators – Joel Case

See handout. Mr. Case focused on differences between FY15 and FY16 for four of the indicators.

9. Network System Coordination Update – Taren Petersen

See handout. Ms. Petersen indicated that she is considering changing the format of the report.

10. Status Reports for the Period Ending October 31, 2016 – Taren Petersen

Handouts are in the packets for each of the items listed below:

a. Contract Status Reports

b. Mobile Crisis Response

c. Emergency Protective Custody (EPC)

d. Comparison of Acute and Subacute Occupancy Rates

11. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

12. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned.

Prepared By: Gary McGaha per Taren Petersen Date: 2-1-17

Approved By: [Signature] Date: 2/1/2017