



Behavioral Healthcare

**Behavioral Health Advisory Committee Meeting
Via Zoom**

Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2020

Advisory Members Present:

Michele Missel
Christopher Kelly
Nancy Kelley
John Sheehan
Janet McCartney
George Fisher

Advisory Members Absent:

Jeff Leach
Rob Hillabrand

Region 6 Staff Present

Patti Jurjevich
Taren Petersen
Miles Glasgow
Micki Noah
Jennifer Hazuka
Jennifer Determan
Melissa Schaefer
Kim Kalina

Recorder:

Bev Juhl

1. Welcome and Roll Call

Michele Missel, called the meeting to order at 9:04AM
Michele welcomed new BHAC member George Fisher

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 4, 2020 BHAC

John Sheehan made a motion to approve the March 4, 2020 minutes
Janet McCartney seconded the motion
The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote

3. Approval of Agenda

John made a motion to approve the June 3, 2020 Agenda
Janet seconded the motion
The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote

4. Administrator's Report – Patti Jurjevich

Patti gave the Committee a COVID update and shared that Nebraska received \$1.25 billion in Federal COVID-related relief to disbursed in the following manner:

- a. Governments - \$180 million

- i. State Government \$80 million
- ii. Local Governments \$100 million
 - These dollars will be for reimbursement of direct costs associated with COVID including PPE, overtime, sanitizing spaces, dedicated payroll for COVID public safety employees
 - Counties, in order to be eligible, must have 'business as usual' by June 8th which entails open public offices and services
- b. Community Cares Program - \$85 MILLION
 - i. This is being established by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
 - Behavioral Health Regions \$5 million
 - Community Collaboratives \$20 million
 - Providers and Non-Profits demonstrating increased demand and lower donations \$40million
 - Shelters/Housing \$20million
- c. Small Businesses and Livestock Stabilization - \$392 MILLION
 - i. Distributed in \$12K grants to all qualified
 - Small businesses between 5 - 49 employees
 - Livestock operations between 1 - 10 employees
- d. Remote Access, Workforce Retraining, Gallup - \$62 million
 - i. Rural broadband development \$40 million
 - Impacting 26,285 households in 41 communities of 1K-5K in population
- e. Workforce Retraining \$16 million
 - i. Grants for students 1.1 thousand (up to 12 thousand total)
 - ii. Career Coaches and Administrative/Faculty \$2.4 million
 - iii. Gallup Training \$1 million
- f. Unemployment Trust Fund - \$427 million

5. Updates on New Grants – Miles Glasgow

Miles presented a PowerPoint and gave an update on the following grants

- a. SAMHSA Disaster Response Grant Program – School-Based Services
 - i. The federal grant provides trauma-informed services to include education, training, and counseling for youth, families, teachers, administrators, and community members in areas impacted by recent disasters
 - ii. Region 6 was awarded the SAMHSA grant in April 2020 for \$999,627.00
 - iii. The grant period is 4/30/20 to 10/29/21
- b. Nebraska Emergency COVID-19 Response Grant (SAMHSA Emergency Grant)
 - i. Region 6 will utilize the funding to provide direct treatment and recovery activities for adults impacted by COVID-19.
 - ii. Funding is for a total of \$2 million over a period of 16 months.
- c. COVID-19 Crisis Counseling Program
 - i. Nebraska Emergency Management Agency has applied for DHHS-Division of Behavioral Health to receive a SAMHSA/FEMA Crisis Counseling Program Grant for COVID-19
 - ii. Region 6 will look to hire 24 crisis counselors, 3 team leaders, 1 full time admin asst, and a 0.5 media liaison
 - iii. The duration of the first phase of the grant, the Immediate Services Program (ISP) phase, is approximately 60 days

- iv. Following the ISP phase, the state is eligible for the Regular Services Program (RSP) phase which lasts approximately 9 months
- d. Completion of SAMHSA/FEMA Crisis Counseling Program
 - i. Region 6 has recently completed the SAMHSA/FEMA CCP Program – March 2019 Flooding program

6. Network Services Update – Taren Petersen

Updates were included in the packets for everyone’s review.

- a. Taren stated that there are 5 people waiting to be admitted in to the Lincoln Regional Center
- b. Taren shared with the BHAC members final totals for the Nebraska Strong full grant cycle
- c. She also shared information on the upcoming NeMHAC Conference

7. Status Reports for Period Ending April 30, 2020

Reports were included in the packets for everyone’s review

- a. Taren gave an update of the April, 2020 Contract Status Reports
 - i. Mental Health over-produced units because of the extra dollars received
 - ii. Taren stated that all units should be covered
 - iii. COVID 19 compensation dollars are available to providers that maintain services
- b. Taren gave an update of the April, 2020 Mobile Crisis Response Report
 - i. There were 43 calls in April
 - ii. Nine individuals engaged in post-care
 - iii. 97% were diverted from EPC
- c. Taren gave an update of the April, 2020 Emergency Protective Custody Report
 - i. Cass, Dodge and Sarpy County numbers are down, but Washington’s numbers are up, with no current data from Douglas County, as their offices are closed due to COVID19
- d. Taren gave an update of the April, 2020 Acute and Subacute Occupancy Rates report
 - i. Immanuel is using one unit strictly for COVID19 patients only
 - ii. DCCMHC has opened the ICU, but the general unit is closed for renovations

8. Public Comments

There were no further public comments

- Janet made a motion to adjourn
- John Sheehan seconded the motion
- The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote

The meeting was adjourned

Prepared By: *Dwight S. Finkel* Date: *August 5, 2020*
Approved By: *Michele M. Missel* Date: *8.5.20*