



Behavioral Healthcare

Behavioral Health Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2021

Advisory Members Present:

Jeff Leach
Michele Missel
Chris Kelly
Nancy Kelley
John Sheehan
Rob Hillabrand
George Fisher

Advisory Members Absent:

Janet McCartney

Region 6 Staff Present

Patti Jurjevich
Taren Petersen
Crystal Fuller
Curt Vincentini
Diane Lamb
Miles Glasgow

Recorder:

Bev Juhl

1. Welcome and Roll Call

Michele Missel, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00AM. Roll call of the members determined there was a quorum.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 5, 2021 BHAC

John Sheehan made a motion to approve the May 5, 2021 meeting minutes. Chris Kelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

3. Approval of Agenda

John made a motion to approve the June 2, 2021 Agenda. Jeff Leach seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

4. Tobacco Free Nebraska (TFN) Carryover Funds – Crystal Fuller

a. Review of Funding and Budget Narrative

Crystal gave a PowerPoint presentation and an overview of the budget. A printout detailing this information was included in the members' packets.

- i. Year 1 unspent funds were available for carryover into Year 2 budgets
- ii. Due to Public Health Department impacts of Covid-19 response, TFN delayed the release of their funding process and instead elected to extend contracts for an additional 6 months, ending December 31, 2021.
- iii. Requests for Proposals for an 18-month funding plan will occur Fall of 2021.

b. BHAC Recommendation to the Regional Governing Board

John made a motion to present for approval to the Regional Governing Board. Jeff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

5. Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) – Crystal Fuller

a. Review of Funding and Budget Narrative

Crystal gave a PowerPoint presentation, with a printout of the same included in the member's packets.

- i. LB931 was passed in 2014 and established the Nebraska Mental Health First Aid Training Act and allocation.
- ii. Targets populations included, but not limited to: schools, universities and colleges, law enforcement, Veteran Affairs, and local Public Health Districts.
- iii. In FY21, trainings were held virtually
- iv. July 2020 through May 2021, there were 29 adult courses, 8 youth courses and a total of 405 participants.
- v. The FY22 Training Plan is as follows:
 - Continue Virtual Open Community Courses
 - Transition back to some in-person trainings, based on requests
 - MHFA 2.0 Curriculum
 - Targeted trainings in Cass, Dodge, and Washington Counties
 - Increase Spanish MHFA trainings with new trainer capacity

Nancy Kelley asked if the participants must pay for the course and Crystal replied that, no the courses are free, that Region 6 pays for the courses.

Nancy then asked if there are Spanish courses and older adult courses, Crystal replied that yes there are modules for both.

There were no further questions.

b. BHACC Recommendation to the Regional Governing Board

John made a motion to present for approval to the Regional Governing Board. Jeff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

6. Network Services Update – Taren Petersen

Updates for May 2021 were included in the packets for everyone's review, and Taren gave a brief highlight of a few activities.

- a. Region 6 hasn't heard yet if there will be a No-cost Extension granted for Nebraska Strong, which will end June 29, 2021.
- b. Patti shared that there are Interim Study Resolutions that could impact Region 6, pointing out 3 specific ones and the items that would impact Region 6.
 - i. LR 143 will study the number and location of mental and behavioral health providers in Nebraska, and the areas of the state where there are shortages
 - ii. LR163 will study challenges in post-acute placement and the capacity of community-based and residential behavioral health services
 - iii. LR203 will study Medicaid Expansion and behavioral health roles, missions, coordination, capacity and demand.
- c. Patti stated that she is unsure why these studies are being done, and that updates are to come.

John asked Patti to explain the process and how the data would be collected and Patti gave a brief overview.

There were no further questions.

7. Status Reports for Period Ending April 30, 2021 – Taren Petersen and Curt Vincentini

Reports were included in the packets for everyone's review.

- a. Taren gave an update of the April, 2021 Contract Status Reports stating that the drawdown is at 67.02% and the target is 83.33%.
 - i. She stated that this is mostly due to Medicaid Expansion, with Michele asking what happens to the unspent funds? Taren replied it is a use it or lose it situation.
 - ii. John asked for clarification on page 5, why DCCMHC didn't have inpatient dollars drawn down? Taren replied they have, the original contract amount that he's looking at should be moved up to the county line. In actually, they have drawn down 71.16% of their allocation.
 - iii. We are seeing a lot of consumers move from our system to Medicaid as the payer for their services.
- b. Curt gave an update of the April, 2021 Emergency Services Dashboard Report
 - i. The numbers are almost exactly the same as last year at this time.
 - ii. Law Enforcement has been utilizing the Mobil Crisis Team.
 - iii. Curt will soon be able to report more specifically on the PES, and have more data.

There were no further questions.

8. Public Comments

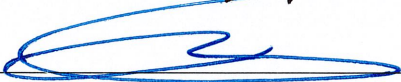
Crystal wanted to share with everyone that she has medicine lock boxes, Deterra pouches, trigger locks, hand gun safes and tobacco cessation products to distribute, free of charge. If the committee members know of anyone or any agency that is able to utilize these products, to please get in touch with her. She shared that these products were purchased with SOR grant dollars. Michele asked if they could take some to pass out to people, Crystal replies, yes, please do.

There were no further public comments

9. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by John and seconded by Jeff. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:36AM.

Prepared By: *Sewely (April) Jackson* Date: *8-4-21*

Approved By:  Date: *8/4/21*