



## Behavioral Health Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2022

### Advisory Members Present:

Jeff Leach

Happy Aldana

John Sheehan

Rob Hillabrand

Michealle Vega-Hernandez

Medjine Desgraves

### Advisory Members Absent:

Michele Missel

Chris Kelly

### Region 6 Staff Present

Taren Petersen

Melissa Schaefer

Curt Vincentini

### Recorder:

Taren Petersen

#### 1. Welcome

Jeff Leach, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

#### Roll Call

Roll call of the members determined there was a quorum.

#### 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 2, 2022 BHAC Meeting

John Sheehan made a motion to approve the March 2, 2022 meeting minutes. Rob Hillabrand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

#### 3. Approval of Agenda

John made a motion to approve the April 6, 2022 agenda. Michealle Vega-Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

#### 4. Annual KidSquad Report – Melissa Schaefer

Melissa presented a power point titled 'Nurturing Healthy Behaviors Grant – Kidsquad Program' – which highlighted points in the 2021 Evaluation Report. She presented an overview of the grant and discussed services provided through the grant, the impact of COVID-19 on services, and covered evaluation highlights. The 2021 report and a copy of the power point was included in participant's packets.

There were no further questions or comments.

**5. Request for Proposals (RFP) for In-School Based Outpatient Therapy and Therapeutic Consultation – Taren Petersen**

a. Review of the RFP Process and Funding Recommendation

A printout of this information was included in everyone's packet for review. Taren gave an overview of the purpose, proposal submissions, the review and interview process, and the Review Committee's recommendation. Michealle asked why D.C. West Schools were selected to receive mental health support. Taren replied that the school leadership had asked for assistance during the spring 2021 planning sessions. In addition, Region 6 looked at what schools did not currently have any mental health assistance. D.C West was one of those schools. The plan is to provide as much in-school based services as funding allows over the next couple of years. John asked about the funding. Taren reported that overall, we have budgeted \$250,000 to develop school-based services in as many districts as possible that do not currently have services.

b. BHAC Recommendation to the Regional Governing Board

John made a motion to present for approval to the Regional Governing Board the award of the RFP to CHI Health Psychiatric Associates to provide the services of outpatient and therapeutic consultation to D.C. West Schools. Michealle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

**6. Update on Network Services – Youth Services – Melissa Schaefer**

Melissa presented an informational sheet highlighting youth services. A printout was provided in everyone's packets. Highlights included key activities of youth services, outcomes/data, and the impact of services in all 5 counties within Region 6. There was also discussion of the increased need for youth mental health services and the mental health challenges youth and young adults are experiencing.

There were no further questions or comments.

**7. Status Reports for Period Ending February 28, 2022 – Taren Petersen and Curt Vincentini**

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

- a. Taren gave an update of the February 2022 Contract Status Reports, stating that the dollars aren't being drawn down. This is again, largely due to the "big 3", Medicaid Expansion, COVID-19 and workforce shortages.
- b. Curt Vincentini gave an update of the February 2022 Emergency Services Dashboard Report. He shared that EPCs were down from last month, but up slightly year to date. Over 57% of discharges from the PES are to a person's home. He would like to see that number increase, but overall, that's a good percentage. The numbers for Detox discharges linked to post-discharge services reflects an increase. The increase is due to a change in how the data is reported more than anything.

There were no further comments or questions.

**8. Public Comments**

There were no public comments or questions.

**9. Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by John and seconded by Medjine. The motion passed unanimously upon voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35AM.

Prepared By: Taun Petersen Date: <sup>5</sup>~~4~~ 4-22

Approved By:  Date: 5/4/22