



Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare
4715 S. 132nd Street, Omaha, NE 68137
Behavioral Health Advisory Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 5, 2025, 9:00AM

The Behavioral Health Advisory Committee convened today at 9:00 AM and was called to order by Chair Jeff Leach at Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare, 4715 S. 1032nd Street, Omaha, NE 68137. Advance notice of this meeting was published in the Omaha Daily Record on November 3, 2025, electronically transmitted to all committee members and posted on the nepublicnotices.com website. Said notices contained the date, time and location of the meeting.

Advisory Members Present:

Jeff Leach
Katlynn Osborn
Chris Kelly (left at 10:11)
John Sheehan
Amy Zimmer
Michelle Geredes
Michaelle Vega-Hernandez (arrived at 9:12)

Advisory Members Absent:

Cameron Soester
John Brady
Medjine Desgraves
Julie Nielsen

Region 6 Staff Present

Patti Jurjevich
Crystal Fuller
Miles Glasgow

Additional Persons Present:

Bill Reay and Kristine Tevis of OMNI Behavioral Health
Emily Ortner of the Douglas County Health Department

Recorder:

Bev Jackson

1. Welcome

The regular monthly BHAC meeting was called to order at 9:00am.
Jeff Leach welcomed everyone.

2. Roll Call

Roll call of the members determined that there was a quorum.

3. Approval of the October 1, 2025 Meeting Minutes

John Sheehan made the motion to approve the October 1, 2025 meeting minutes.

Amy Zimmer seconded the motion.

Voting was done by roll call.

Yeas: Leach, Osborn, Kelly, Sheehan, Zimmer and Gerdes

Nays: None.

Absent: Soester, Brady, Desgraves, Nielsen and Vega-Hernandez.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Administrators Report – Patti Jurjevich

Patti shared that the revenue projection is down, noting that there will be a 10% cut in Behavioral Health. The planned cuts will be in the DOJ and 988 budgets, and the decision not to follow through with the development of a VA phone app.

Patti also stated that there was another open round for Opioid Settlement Funds, which will be reviewed in December.

5. Omni Behavioral Health-LB1412 Overview and Findings – Bill Reay and Kristine Tevis

Bill and Kristine shared with everyone the findings of their study to determine the extent of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in the North Omaha area.

A printout of the findings was included in everyone's packets for review.

The total number of completed surveys was 442. They shared notable violence findings, summaries of violence exposure and recommendations.

6. Douglas County Health Department-Tobacco Free Nebraska Grant Nicotine Cessation Resources – Emily Ortner

Emily gave handouts to everyone, and presented a PowerPoint, a copy of which was included in everyone's packet.

Emily shared with everyone current initiatives. She reviewed available resources and where to get them.

She also stated that Quit Tobacco Week begins November 16, and ending on the 22nd of November.

7. Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) – Crystal Fuller

Crystal shared a printout, a copy of which was in everyone's packet.

a. Review of Funding and Budget Narrative

Crystal stated that Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare has received a contract for \$209,373.00 from DHHS to support the local implementation of the PATH program. A subcontract will be generated with Community Alliance, the agency providing PATH services in Region 6. She identified the activities and shared the budget proposal for the subcontract with Community Alliance.

b. BHAC Recommendation to Regional Governing Board

Crystal asked for the Committee's recommendation to the Regional Governing Board for approval.

Katlynn Osborn made the motion to recommend to the Regional Governing Board for approval.

John Sheehan seconded the motion.

Voting was done by roll call.

Yeas: Leach, Osborn, Sheehan, Zimmer and Gerdes.

Nays: none

Abstained: Vega-Hernandez.

Absent: Soester, Brady, Desgraves, Kelly and Nielsen

The motion passed unanimously.

For the record, Chair Jeff Leach stated that Chris Kelly reviewed the PATH Funding and Budget Narrative and was in favor of it.

8. Approval of BHAC Bylaws – Patti Jurjevich

Patti recapped for the members the changes to the BHAC bylaws that have been made and approved by the attorney.

Katlynn Osborn made the motion to recommend to the Regional Governing Board for approval.

Amy Zimmer seconded the motion.

Voting was done by roll call.

Yeas: Leach, Osborn, Sheehan, Zimmer, Gerdes and Vega-Hernandez.

Nays: none

Absent: Soester, Brady, Desgraves, Kelly and Nielsen

The motion passed unanimously.

9. Status Reports for Period Ending September 30, 2025

Reports were included in the packets for everyone to review.

a. Contract Status Report, Opioid Settlement Grant – Patti Jurjevich

Patti gave an update of the Contract Status Report for Opioid Settlement funds.

b. Contract Status Report, Mental Health and Substance Use – Crystal Fuller

Crystal gave an update of the September 2025 Contract Status Reports. The drawdown target is expected to be at 25%. Mental Health is at 28.3% and Substance Use is at 19.75%.

c. Emergency Service Report – Miles Glasgow

Miles gave an update on the current progress in the emergency systems. He shared that EPCs are down at 158 and Mobil Crisis Response had 84 calls in September.

Miles stated that Triage is available for all 5 counties in Region 6, for adults only, with a current 90% stabilization upon discharge.

10. Appointment of Nominating Committee for 2026 Officers

John Sheehan and Amy Zimmer volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee and will have candidates at the December 3rd meeting for the positions of Chair and Co-Chair.

11. Discussion of Location and Time of the Annual Holiday Luncheon

The Annual Holiday Luncheon will be held at Gorat's, with a reservation time of 11:30. The December 3, 2025 meeting will begin one hour later, with a start time of 10:00.

12. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

13. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by John Sheehan.

Michealle Vega-Hernandez seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Leach, Osborn, Sheehan, Zimmer, Gerdes and Vega-Hernandez


Nays: None.

Absent: Soester, Brady, Desgraves, Kelly and Nielsen

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 AM.

Prepared By: Dewey S. Jackson Date: 12-3-25

Approved By:  Date: 12/3/25