

Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2019, 5:00pm

Howard County Health Department

Present: Michele Brown, Mike Demidenko, Mark Donovan, Janet Edelman, Robert Ehrhardt, Jim Filipczak, Alice Giles, Susan Helsel, Jacqueline Scott (for Karen Hull), Meghan Skaggs (for Cindy Johnson), Tanya Joyner, Jack Kavanaugh, Cindy Kirk, Genny LaPorte, Helen Liu, Bruce MacDonald, Timothy Madden, Joan Webb Scornaienchi, Caroline Walker

Staff: Heather Moore (for Chris Schaffer), Shereen Cabrera-Bentley, Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy

Guests: Andrea Watkins, Brook Hubbard, Shannon Garrett, Jennifer Crawley, Julie Cleveland

Excused: Stephen Foster, Jennifer Van Blarcom

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting began at 5:02pm	Jim acknowledged Susan's resignation and last board meeting.
Approval of Agenda:	Motion to approve Agenda for June 12, 2019	The motion was seconded and unanimously approved
Approval of Minutes:	Motion to approve May 8, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes	The motion was seconded and unanimously approved
Guest Presentation:	Shereen Cabrera-Bentley, LCSW-C, Supervisor, Resource Linkage and Care Coordination Unit gave a presentation about the programs and staff she oversees. (Handout attached) She took and answered questions from the board.	Shereen can be reached at scabrera@howardcountymd.gov
Director Updates:	Met with Kim Pruitt for clarification and information for Appointing Board Members. 3 positions accepted by the County Executive and to go to the County Council for approval, 4 still vacant. Vacancies are for the following positions: Consumer MH or SUD, Consumer SUD, Family member MH or SUD and Family member SUD. Criteria from CE will be posted, those not selected encouraged to reapply. Bruce plans to work with applications to help	

	<p>with letter of interest to highlight assets of each applicant.</p> <p>The crisis stabilization contract was executed with Grassroots.</p>	
OCCC Updates:	<p>Mr. Schuh, Director of the Maryland Opioid Operational Command Center (OCCC) toured HC and met with key member agencies of the Opioid Intervention Team (OIT), Health Department, School, Detention Center, Fire and Rescue, Hospital and Grassroots.</p>	
Trainings and Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic Pain Management Series June 9-July 14 • “Portraits of Professional Care Givers” movie and discussion, CEUs available Thursday, June 20 at 1-4pm • 4th Annual International Overdose Awareness Day Candle Light Vigil and Recovery Celebration Saturday, August 31 at 5:30-8pm at St. John’s Episcopal Church. • Recovery Walk hosted by HCHD and ROSC Saturday, September 21 at 10am-1pm at Ellicott City Assembly of God. 	
Program Development Committee	<p>Behavioral Health Task Force Recommendations were discussed. Mark attended the meeting and presented on SUD issues in HC. At next meeting, Janet will discuss the spreadsheet that she created to use as a tool for evaluation and recommendations for mental health and SUD services will be discussed. Genny will take the minutes due to Susan’s resignation.</p>	
<p>Other Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Funds 	<p>Board funding items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded Bruce and Stephen to attend the On Our Own of Maryland Conference. • Funded My Life Foundation to purchase Mental Health First Aid manuals • Funded VA Way to host 2 Mental Health First Aid trainings for Veterans on June 19 and 20 <p>Roe is seeking further guidance from the communications unit regarding the proposal to fund NAMI Howard County to print brochures. This discussion will continue to FY20. Roe suggested that Opioid Community Crisis Council (OCCC), Mental Health Community Advisory Committee (MHACA) and the Board all come together for a work group to work on the document. Looking for more volunteers for this.</p>	

	<p>Mike agreed to chair an ad hoc committee to develop a structure for scoring funding proposals to start in FY20.</p> <p>Elections Results: Chair: Jim</p> <p>Vice Chair: Mark</p> <p>Secretary: Janet</p>
<p>Wrap Up and Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 6:19pm</p>

Next Meeting Dates: August 14