

Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

June 8th, 2022, 5:00 pm

Howard County Health Department (HCHD), WebEx Platform

Present: Jama Acuff, Barbara Allen, Michele Brown, Mark Donovan, Janet Edelman, Robert Ehrhardt, Brook Hubbard, Cindy Johnson, Genny LaPorte, Stephen Liggett-Creel, Stephanie Porter, Kelly Proctor, Kami Wagner, John Way, Joan Webb-Scornaienchi, Orlando Wright, Hilari Young

Excused: Julie Cleveland, Delmonica Hawkins, Ayesha Holmes, Andre’a Watkins

Unexcused: Stephanie Adibe (for Jacqueline Scott), Stephen Foster

HCHD Staff: Shereen Cabrera-Bentley, Tia Gaymon, Stephanie Reid, Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy

Guests: Keandre Blue, Douglas Heinrichs, Victoria Myles, Kris Saunders, Cindy Underwood

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting began at 5:00pm	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve amended Board Meeting Agenda for June 8 th , 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Remove presentation - Add Program Development & Strategic Planning Committee priorities to Chairman Updates 	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes for May 11 th , 2022	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
Attendance Review	Julie, Delmonica, Ayesha & Andre’a were excused from this month’s meeting.	
LBHA Director Updates	Roe reported the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applied for and received a National Associate of Counties (NACO) Award for Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) • Developing a Hub and Spoke video to promote increased access to buprenorphine. Thanks to all who shared feedback. • 988 launches 7/16/22 - 988 has been designated as the new three-digit dialing code that will route callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. While some areas may be currently able to connect to the Lifeline by dialing 988, this dialing code will be available to everyone across the United States starting on July 16, 2022. • MDH sent out a draft policy for review to develop a Residential Treatment Center (RTC) coordination workgroup with MDH - This policy establishes a Residential 	

	Treatment Center (RTC) Coordination Group within the Department. The group works to stabilize RTCs, determine opportunities for hard to place youth, examines hospital overstay of children and adolescents, and fosters inter-agency communication between MDH, the Department of Juvenile Services (DJS), the Department of Human Services (DHS), the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), and the Governor's Office.	
Program Development & Strategic Planning Committee Updates	<p>Brook reported the following: The Youth Behavioral Health Workgroup will be the focus of the PDSP Committee meetings for now. Shereen reported that LUMA Consulting will be drafting a plan to share with the workgroup. Co-chair Brook Hubbard prepared a summary from the consumer profiles, presented and a healthy group discussion followed. The profile summary was sent to the workgroup to review further and provide additional feedback and recommendations for youth and families in Howard County. The next meeting is August 10th, 2022 at 3:30 PM and all board members, who are interested in improving youth service access and inclusion for integrated behavioral health care are invited to attend the workgroup.</p>	
Board Development Committee Updates	<p>Michele reported the following: The committee received the ballots for The Executive Committee and the votes are as follows: 17 out of 18 votes for Joan as Chairperson 18 out of 18 votes for Janet Edelman for Vice-Chair 18 out of 18 votes for Barbara Allen for Secretary.</p> <p>Motion for the Board to approve the voting results.</p>	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
Proposal Review Committee Updates	Nothing to report	
Critical Indicator Committee Updates	Nothing to report	
Chairperson Updates	<p>Janet reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended the Howard County Public School System Mental Health Community Advisory Council • Attended the Maryland Commission to Study Mental and Behavioral Health meeting. • Participated in the Maryland Behavioral Health Administration Central Maryland Stakeholder Meeting <p>Janet led a discussion of the five priorities identified by the Program Development & Strategic Planning Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systemic exclusion, lack of access or opportunity to appropriate behavioral health services (African American, Hispanic, People of Color, LGBTQ+, Deaf, Veterans Populations) 	<p>Action Item: Janet will send out information to the Board on Integrated Care, Wraparound Services and Targeted Case Management.</p> <p>Action Item: Barbara will forward a copy of the Maryland Facilities Plan to Tia to be distributed to the Board.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency room and inpatient hospital beds capacity • Lack of mental health and substance abuse wraparound and residential services and Drug and Alcohol Support Services • Behavioral Health service delivery is not integrated with physical health • Targeted Case Management expansion 	
Announcements/Additional Comments	Ayesha ran the High Fidelity Wraparound (HFW) program in Maryland for 12 years. Howard County was the only Core Service Agency (CSA) & Local Management Board (LMB) in Maryland that did not refer children. HFW had a 94% success rate for keeping children out of long-term residential placement levels of care and juvenile detention. Montgomery County currently has the only program that is functioning through the Jewish Social Service Agency (JSSA).	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:50pm	

Next Meeting Dates: August 10th, 2022, September 14th, 2022, October 12th, 2022

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