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Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2022, 5:00 pm
 Howard County Health Department (HCHD), WebEx Platform

Present: Jama Acuff, Barbara Allen, Michele Brown, Mark Donovan, Janet Edelman, Robert Ehrhardt, Stephen Foster, Beth Harbinson, Delmonica Hawkins, Ayesha Holmes, Brook Hubbard, Genny LaPorte, Stephen Liggett-Creel, Victoria Miles, Stephanie Porter, Joan Webb Scornaienchi, Kelly Shlocosky-Proctor, Kami Wagner, John Way, Orlando Wright,

Excused: Cindy Johnson, Jacqueline Scott, Andre’a Watkins, Hilari Young.

Unexcused:

HCHD Staff: Shereen Cabrera-Bentley, Heather Moore, Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy

Guests: Dr. Henricks

| Topic/Agenda | Discussion | Action/Follow-up |
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| Welcome and Introductions | Meeting began at 5:08pm | |
| Approval of Agenda | Motion to approve Board Meeting Agenda for September 14, 2022. | Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. |
| Approval of Minutes | Motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes for August 10, 2022. | Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. |
| Attendance Review | Cindy Johnson, Hilari Young, Jacqueline Scott and Andre’a Watkins were excused from this month’s meeting. | |

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| <p>Presentation</p> | <p>Janet Edelman Board Vice-Chair – Janet shared her family story of growing up with a brother with Mental Illness. Her family was brought into advocacy through their journey. Her parents were founding members of support group than became an affiliate to NAMI once NAMI was created. Her father was a founding member of NARSAD which is now the Brain and Behavior Research Foundation. Janet has worked with NAMI Metro Baltimore, NAMI Howard County, NAMI Maryland and the National NAMI Board.</p> <p>She would like to see in Howard County:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded Jail Diversion Programs • Stepping Up Initiative • Mental Health Court • Increased Emphasis in Integrated Care for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) • Integrated care for Primary Care and Behavioral Health <p>She would like to see for the state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded Funding for Residential Rehabilitation Programs • Assisted Outpatient Treatment • Revised Danger Standards • Expanded Funding for targeted Case Management • Better funding for the state hospital system <p>https://stepuptogether.org/#/ https://treatmentadvocacycenter.org/aot</p> | |
| <p>LBHA Director Updates</p> | <p>Roe reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCHD/BBH received 3 National Association of Counties (NACO) Awards on Mon., August 29, 2022. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (Lead) • Project Lazarus - opioid prevention • It’s Ok to Ask - suicide prevention • HCHD/BBH organizing the Mental Health Community Ambassador Event Weds., September 28, 2022. 6-8 pm at the Bain Center hosted by Howard County Government • CAMS Care trainings Sept 23 and Oct 17 <p><i>Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS) framework (www.cams-care.org). CAMS-Care is an evidence-based suicide prevention model that has been shown to be effective in reducing suicidal ideation and intentional self-harm in an outpatient setting. The</i></p> | |

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| | HCHD/LBHA is seeking to recruit local mental health clinicians and behavioral health providers to participate in the FY23 CAMS-Care training. The HCHD/LBHA will pay for all costs associated with the CAMS-Care training, which is valued at \$335. | |
| Program Development & Strategic Planning Committee Updates | Genny reported that Brook and Michele are working on getting the information into SharePoint for easier access by the Board. LUMA HC Youth Opioid Response and Prevention Needs Assessment was looked through and discussed | Action Item: Kelly is doing a follow up survey on the needs assessment and level of importance and recommendations by the board |
| Board Development Committee Updates | Michele reported that two candidates (Consumer/MH & Professional/MH) have been appointed to the board: Victoria Myles and Gina Santora. Michele discussed the SharePoint/Extranet and that all documents will be hosted on SharePoint. | |
| Proposal Review Committee Updates | Janet reported for Hilari. Committee looked at 2 items: -RFP was reviewed and edited and will be going out with the next newsletter email. End of October will be the cut off for return -Evaluation of proposals was reviewed and changes will be made before scoring this year's proposals. | Action Item: Heather will send out the RFP with the newsletter on 9/23. Action Item: Janet is revising the scoring sheet. |
| Critical Indicator Committee Updates | Orlando reported that there are ongoing updates to the dashboard. Codes are being updated with actual Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) conditions being identified. Based on the GBRICS data, CRISP data and hospital data there is a decrease to Emergency services for Mental Health and a decrease in Inpatient care for SUD. | Next Meeting is 10/14 |
| Chairperson Updates | Joan reported the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per Carl DeLorenzo, Director of Policy and Programs, the County Executive's staff continues to look for a date for the County Executive to attend our meeting. • Forward suggestions for future speakers or topics. • Joan moved that Ayesha be added to the Program Development and Strategic Planning Committee and the Critical Indicator Committee | Action Item: Board members should contact Joan with suggestions for presentations. Vote: Ayesha approved to join the two committees. Action Item: Heather sending out the list of County Exec questions currently made with meeting minutes |

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| Announcements/Additional Comments | <p>Joan - HC DrugFree Drug Take Back day October 29, 10am-2pm Wilde Lake Village parking lot. If you want to volunteer, email Joan.</p> <p>-Parenting Class starting September 21. Five classes in the series.</p> <p>John - working with the Annapolis Baygrass Festival and Anne Arundel County Health Department to provide NARCAN training at the event. Email John if you want to attend.</p> <p>Beth – SOBAR will be at the Baygrass Festival as well as starting the zero alcohol Happy Hours at Main Street Music Festival in Ellicott City, UMBC Collaborative, and Old Ellicott City on October 13 and December 8.</p> | |
| Adjournment | The meeting adjourned at 6:18pm | |

Future Meeting Dates: October 12, 2022, November 9, 2022, December 14, 2022

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