

Behavioral Health Advisory Council

July Agenda

Wednesday, July 5th, 2023

9:30 AM- 1:15 PM

Attendees:							
		Christal Eshelman					
Michael Langer (DBHR)	Richelle Madigan	☐ Bridget Underdahl					
Teesha Kirschbaum (DBHR)	☐ Tana Russell	David Musser					
Robert Hopkins		Michelle Tinkler					
Jeff Spring	Shawn Brannan	Michelle Burchett					
☐ Jenni Olmstead	☐ Clarissa Fletcher	Tessa Clements					
Jolie Ramsey	Ruth Leonard	Guest: Nicole Mims (DBHR)					
Josh Wallace	Nathan Lusk (DBHR)	Guest: Michael Donovan (DBHR)					
Katie Mirkovich	☐ Janet Cornell (DBHR)	Guest: Tom Kinlen (DSHS)					
Nelson Rason	☐ Tori McDermott Hale DBHR)	Guest: Lisa LaRue					
Kielan Lynch	Kim Wright (DBHR)	Guest: Michael Donovan (DBHR)					
Marcia Mongain-Finkas	Guest: Gabriel Hamilton	Guest: Julee Christianson OSPI)					
	Guest: Teresa Claycamp DBH	IR) Guest: Miranda Meier (DBHR)					

#	Agenda Items	Time	Lead	Decisions and Summary of Meeting
1.	Welcome & Call to Order • Attendance • Approve May minutes	9:30am	Josh Wallace, Richelle Madigan	Quorum Reached May Minutes approved
2.	Council Member Roundtable	9:45am	Roundtable	 Will be attending the Northwest Opioid Summit Conference in Vancouver 7/19/23- 7/20/23 Julee Christianson- OSPI- Guest Here representing the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction. New to her role supporting Project Aware school based mental health systems and supporting Bridget Underdahl, who I think you've met before. Thomas Kinlen- Director of the Office of Forensic Mental Health Services- Guest Here to present on the Trueblood Presentation. Katie Mirkovich-DSHS- Division of Vocational Rehabilitation-Member As of July 3, 2023, all individuals have been released from the DSHS Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) Order of Selection waiting list and all priority categories are open. DVR will remain in an Order of Selection even though all priority categories are open to continue monitoring our



capacity and resources to serve all eligible individuals in the state. DVR will still follow the same eligibility determination processes we currently have in place, and no changes are being made to our priority category definitions or the areas of functional limitation considered when determining priority of service.

While we remain in an Order of Selection, this change has
positive impacts on those who need DVR services. We are
aware that waiting lists have had negative impacts to our
customers, and Order of Selection has been a challenge for
staff, stakeholders, and the community we serve. DVR is
thrilled to achieve this milestone!

Michelle Tinkler- Office of Behavioral Health Advocacy- Member-

- Finishing quarterly report
- Hiring for a behavioral health advocate for both Pierce County and Great Rivers.

Vanessa Lewis- PAVE- Member-

 Her organization Fly Start is having an event 7/29/2023 sharing audio stories of those who are incarcerated and their experience of healthcare services, including mental health, while incarcerated. Will send out information.

Josh Wallace- Peer Washington- Co-Chair-

 Peer Washington launched their Peer network on both the East and West side of Washington. It is designed by peers across the state, providing support, resources, training, and employment opportunities.

Richelle Madigan- Family Advocate- Co-Chair-

 Started a job working for Washington State community connectors as a grant project manager, helping roll out the mobile response stabilization service.

Susan Kydd- Community Advocate-

 Mentioned the BHAC meeting with the SAMHSA monitoring visit last week. Would like BHAC to be more involved in actually reviewing the BG application.

Clarissa Fletcher- Pierce County Juvenile Court- member

 Also a member of Black Tacoma Black Collective. One thing they are working on is how to train black barbers in first aid mental health since there is a stigma of mental health among black men. Will send out additional information to the council.

3. Short Break 10:55 All



4. Trueblood Presentation	10:15pm	Nicole Mims, Michael Donovan, Tom Kinlen	See presentation material: 05-2023 Trueblood Implementation Status		
5. Short Break	10:50am	All			
Special Session/Budget Update Special Session/Budget Update	11:00am	Keri Waterland, Michael Langer, Teesha Kirschbaum	 Michael Langer – Deputy Director DBHR- Upcoming conferences we will send out to you. In July and August: Please see: HCA-DBHR Annual Conference Information Contracts- Working to get contracts out, Some contracts will also come out of competitive procurement. Can take 3-6 months. Anticipating 15-20 new procurements. Looking forward to the next session and what we may be requesting regarding agency request legislation. Keri Waterland- Director- DBHR- Agency Request legislation- have two high level agency legislation requests we would like to discuss. 2988- bill to expand the liability protections for workers working in mobile crisis response. Essentially a Good Samaritan sort of protections where if the worker is responding within the scope of their employment 7105 - involuntary treatment act, as many of you know, allows for the detainment and the individuals who may not have a primary mental health or behavioral health diagnosis, specifically a primary diagnosis of some sort of neurocognitive traumatic brain injury. Looking into if it could be opened up so that an individual could be detained as a result of a neurocognitive condition as opposed to a behavioral health condition. Appreciation to the planning council and the block grant team for participating in the SAMHSA monitoring visit last week. Want to acknowledge that we hear the desire for more time with the application and priorities for the block grants. Introduced Teresa Claycamp Returned to DBHR as our Behavioral Health Strategic Advisor and working with us on high level behavioral health. 		



				Susan Kydd- We would like to form workgroups in August similar to what we did at the beginning of the year with the Block Grant Priorities. Michael Langer- Shared is experience at the national NASDAD conference he attended in DC. • national trends including the low levels of men entering the behavioral health field and how we can increase that. • how we can elevate as a country appreciation and recognize behavioral health workers as we do for first responders and veterans. Susan Kydd- Read that Washing state now have the highest overdose death rate in the country. Michael Langer- • Yes we know it's a wave, so there are states in the Midwest and East that are starting to come down as the West Coast is escalating. • Are trying to flood the community with naloxone and try to make it as easy as possible to prescribe the medication needed. • Also building out the Recovery Navigator program and do more outreach in the community. • If the Council has any ideas on how we can do more, please reach out Richelle Madigan- there's a need of finding a way to incorporate youth in overdose education. Tana Russell - Is Naloxone available at community colleges and colleges in the state? Michael Langer - I know that high schools are required to provide Naloxone when they reach a certain size.
7.	Lunch	12:00pm	All	The state of the s
8.	Final Draft of Block Grant Priorities	12:15pm	Janet Cornell	See presentation materials.
9.	Next steps, review action items, review September agenda items.	1:00pm	Josh Wallace and Richelle Madigan	Set up a meeting in the coming weeks to walk through block grant application. Nathan to send out invite to teams. Will use same teams as they did in March. Nathan to send out SharePoint meeting invite to go over training/access for BHAC members. September Agenda:
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			Process improvement for the BG application Request for Mobile Response team to present. BHAC Strategic planning
10. Adjourn	1:15pm	All	

	Action Items/Decisions					
#	Action Item	Assigned To:	Date Assigned:	Date Due:	Status	
1.	Send out Vanessa Lewis and Clarissa Fletchers Round Table information.					
2.	Send upcoming conferences that are happening throughout the state.					
3.	Nathan to work and schedule with the Council to form workgroups for block grant application responses. (August) Sent out August 1, with responses from BHAC due 8/11/23					