

**Behavioral Health
Advisory Council**

July Agenda

Tuesday, July 9th, 2024

9:30 AM– 3:20 PM

Attendees:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Teesha Kirschbaum (DBHR)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Erika Rodriguez
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Teresa Claycamp (DBHR)	<input type="checkbox"/>	David Musser
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Richelle Madigan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thomas Jackson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vanessa Lewis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paulina Zyskowski
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jolie Ramsey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nathan Lusk (DBHR)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Katie Mirkovich	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Janet Cornel (DBHR)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nelson Rason	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tori McDermott Hale (DBHR)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tessa Clements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kim Wright (DBHR)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Shundra King	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vanessa Mclaughlin (guest)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Megyn Ross	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Trinidad Medina (guest)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robert Hopkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Becky Meeks (guest)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Miranda Meier	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ray VanTongeren (guest)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michelle Tinkler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ricardo Barrientes (guest)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clarissa Fletcher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stu Parker (guest)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ruth Leonard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sunny Durham (guest)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Christal Eshelman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sunny Mire (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Carolyn Cox (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ramon Razo (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gabriel Hamilton (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dawn Ek (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dona Allison guest
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jayme Doane (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lexa Donnelly (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Watson (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jesse Sharber (HCA)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sam Mellendorf (HCA)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ryan Quirk (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tana Russell (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Laura Van Tosh (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Matt Polley (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Leighty (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ashton Gatsby (guest)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jessica Diaz (HCA)

#	Agenda Items	Time	Lead	Decisions and Summary of Meeting
1.	<p>Welcome & Call to Order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance Welcome New Member Erika Rodriguez Approve May minutes 	9:30am	Richelle Madigan and Vanessa Lewis	Tessa Clements motioned to pass the minutes; Vanessa Lewis seconded. May minutes passed unanimously.
2.	<p>Discussion: Adding a youth seat to the Executive Committee</p> <p>Discussion: Capping the number of members on the Council</p>	9:45am	Richelle Madigan	<p>Adding a Youth Seat the Executive committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will need to update to update Bylaws and define what the youth seat looks like and who would be eligible to seat on the seat. 11 years 1 nah to add a youth seat on the executive committee. Motion passes. <p>Capping the number of members on the Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion around capping the council at 35 seats to ensure the council is a manageable size and for planning purposes. Discussion around the membership committee holding a pool of applications in reserve to pull from when a vacancy becomes available. Also discussed having set seats for specific representation, such as veterans, youth, homelessness

<p>3. Department of Corrections presentation on Mental Health Services</p>	<p>10:20am</p>	<p>Ryan Quirk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed Having 2-3 seats in reserve. <p>See WADOC BH Presentation</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Nanci Watson (guest): When doing initial health screening how can you determine what is a mental health risk vs a drug withdrawal that you sometimes see in jails?</p> <p>Ryan Quirk: Prisons are largely receiving inmates that have had time stabilized from the jail system instead of the community. So, enough time has passed generally, they have already been stabilized.</p> <p>Ramon Razo (guest)- Is everyone being screened?</p> <p>Ryan Quirk- Everyone is screened in routine process for both mental health and substance use. If there is an inmate that is in crisis they might be placed under observation for a brief time before they are screened.</p> <p>Ramon Razo (guest)- are inmates screened throughout their incarceration?</p> <p>Ryan Quirk- There are other forms of screening that place over a person's incarceration. A general summary, when someone transfers, when someone has an already detected mental health need, mental health screenings if someone is placed in a segregated environment.</p> <p>Ramon Razo (guest)- discussed that the stigma of accessing mental health services in prison is a significant barrier to inmates needing services safely.</p> <p>Ryan Quirk- There are multiple ways inmates can access services, but it is difficult to provide confidential settings.</p> <p>Vanessa Lewis: Who does the mental health screenings?</p> <p>Ryan Quirk- Mental Health Staff are the ones that do the screenings and assessments. Correctional staff aren't the ones doing the assessment.</p> <p>Ryan Quirk- There are locations that have a larger mental health staffing model so the frequency of care happens more often.</p> <p>Request for more data to be shared around</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # of mental health screenings that occur daily
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4. Short Break	11:07 am	All	
5. Directors Dialogue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DBHR Partnerships with other Agencies Block Grant Update 	11:17pm	Teesha Kirchbaum, Teresa Claycamp Kimberely Wright	<p>See Block Grant Update July 2024 See DBHR State Agency Partnerships</p> <p>DBHR Leadership Changes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michael Langer Retired as of 7/1/2024 Will look to fill his role and create a second deputy, one deputy director for operations and one deputy director for treatment. The new operations Deputy Director is Leah Coberly starting 7/16/2024 <p>Block Grant Update Discussion</p> <p>Lauran Van Tosh (guest): Would there be a way to see Peer Supports broken down in the pie chart to see how much funding is going specifically to them?</p> <p>Teesha Kirchbaum: It may be hard because We have encouraged Peer Services to be integrated in the vast majority of our programing across DBHR with the exception maybe being Prevention.</p>
6. Lunch	12:00pm	All	
7. Northwest Center for Family Support	12:25pm	Jim Leighty, Margaret Kuklinski, Ashton Gatsby	<p>See NCFS- BHAC 7-9-2024</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Ramon Razo (guest): has worked with Northwest Center for Family Support and wanted to thank you for the work you are doing with families. Also excited to see preventative work all the way down to elementary school.</p> <p>Richelle Madigan: How does one go about seeking your services if they live in an area where you are currently not being offered?</p> <p>Jim Leighty- Please reach out to me directly to see what we can do in connecting services.</p>
8. YouthBH Connect: Youth Intervention Program	12:50pm	Diana Avalos-Leos Vanessa McLaughlin	<p>See YouthBHConnect Overview</p> <p>Discussion:</p>

			<p>Becky Meeks (guest): Do you have any challenges with individuals completing the program once they complete</p> <p>Vanessa McLaughlin: We found that once participates complete onboarding and have engaged, the rate of dropping out greatly decreases.</p> <p>Becky Meeks- are you able to do follow up once a client has graduated?</p> <p>Vanessa McLaughlin- Unfortunately we are unable to do a lot of follow up due to the size of our organization.</p>
9.	Short Break	1:20pm	
10.	BHAB Presentation- Great Rivers	1:30pm	<p>Trinidad Medina</p> <p>See Great Rivers BHAC Presentation 2024-07-09</p> <p>Regional Gaps and Challenges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workforce • Transportation Services • Limited Behavioral Health Data <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Trinidad Medina: Wanted to highlight the need around workforce and transportation services as barriers to care.</p> <p>Richelle Madigan: Mentioned difficulty of accessing Telehealth in a rural setting and how access to Star link satellite internet allowed her family to finally have access to reliable internet.</p>
11.	Establishing Regional BH Network Standards	2:00pm	<p>Jessica Diaz</p> <p>See HB 1515 Community Presentation:</p> <p>An email will go out to see if BHAC would like to form a workgroup and submit recommendations for the Regional Behavioral Health Network Standards.</p> <p>Timeline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June/July: Engage Stakeholders • July/September: make decisions for 2025 standards and draft MCO contract languages • October: draft data definitions and templates to MCOs • November: MCO's comments due • January 2025- First submission received with new standards

Discussion:

Tessa Clements: Do you provide support in provider billing and workforce development in rural communities to meet network standards?

Jessica Diaz- Outside of workforce development that divisions such as DBHR do, we also can look at maybe requiring Managed Care Plans to increase their rates to providers in rural areas to increase network adequacy.

Richelle Madigan- Is there a limit to the number of exceptions a network can have and how is that information escalated to improve system improvement?

Jessica Diaz- There is not a length of time they allow an exception. This who process and HB 1515 to help identify gaps and create a statewide standard going forward.

Nanci Watson (guest): There are some places in the state where it is not financially feasible for a provider to operate due to the low population. Is there discussion around increasing funding to get patients to providers instead of providers to patients?

Stu Parker (guest)- There is also the large increase in Telehealth capabilities increasing provider access.

Jessica Diaz- This is just one tool in our toolbox to help increase the provider access, so it is one of many supports including telehealth and transportation services.

Tessa Clements- One thing I noticed is that you are trying to measure access but not capacity. So even if there is a dot on the map showing a provider has access, they might not have capacity. Using the provider/patient ratio would help you get closest to that.

Stu Parker (guest)- recommended making the map more immersive with the data map allowing users to hover over a provider and seeing relevant information like if they are taking new patients.

Richelle Madigan- Discussed how it is hard to determine network adequacy without qualitative data.

Jessica Diaz- We do try to do things like penetration rates through outcome information, utilization rates, etc.

			Trinidad Medina (guest)- With every region and MCO being unique and every provider having to report to all of us creates a lot of challenges so creating one system is a step in the right direction.	
12.	Council Member Announcements	3:00pm	All	Skipped this month due to time.
13.	Action Items and September agenda items	3:10pm	Richelle Madigan and Vanessa Lewis	<p>Continue work on strategic planning and finding a consultant who can facilitate two in person and one hybrid meeting.</p> <p>September Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onboarding for new members • Department of Health presentation on behavioral health professional credentialing and licensing. • Overview of BH-ASO Spending Plans.
14.	Adjourn	3:20pm	All	

Action Items/Decisions					
#	Action Item	Assigned To:	Date Assigned:	Date Due:	Status
1.	Draft a working document of Block Grant Recommendations from BHAC meeting Presentations	Nathan Lusk	7/9/2024		ongoing
2.	Send out an email to See if BHAC would like to form workgroup and make recommendations for BH Network Standards	Nathan Lusk	7/9/2024		completed
3.	Members to vote on new BHAC members by 7/17/2024	BHAC Members	7/9/2024	7/17/2024	completed
4.	Schedule September Presentations	Nathan Lusk	7/9/2024		completed
5.	Continue work on strategic planning and finding a consultant who can facilitate two in person and one hybrid meeting.	Nathan Lusk and Executive Committee	5/14/2024		Ongoing