

**Behavioral Health Advisory Council
Pierre, South Dakota
March 20, 2014**

Advisory Council Members Present:

Doug Hermann	Lorraine Polak
Bernie Grimme	Vickie Claymore
Susan Sandgren	Belinda Nelson
DeWayne Glasgow	Sheila Weber
Lois Knoke	Roseann Peterson-Olson
Patricia Riibe	Kori Kromminga
Amy Iversen-Pollreisz	Phyllis Arends
Sara Weishaar	Robert Kean
Ann Larsen	LeLewis Gipp
Jane York	

Advisory Council Members Absent:

Carol Regier	Nancy Allard
Ellen Washenberger	Susan Kornder
Daniele Dosch	Judy Hines

**Division of Behavioral Health Staff
Present:**

Tiffany Wolfgang	Travis Hallock
Jennifer Humphrey	Terry Pfahler
Stacy Bruels	Melanie Boetel
Katie Medema	

Minutes:

I. Call to Order

March 20, 2014, the Behavioral Health Advisory Council meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Sara Weishaar.

II. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Sara Weishaar requested the Council's review of the November 2013 meeting minutes. No proposed changes were recommended at this time. Bernie Grimme moved to approve the meeting minutes. Robert Kean seconded the motion.

III. Discussion of BH Advisory Council Bylaws and open positions

Amy Iversen-Pollreisz discussed proposed changes to the Council Bylaws per the discussion at the November meeting. Changes included updating the Division's name from the Division of Community Behavioral Health to the Division of Behavioral Health and changing the current open position from a family member to a youth between the ages of 16-21 with a serious emotional disturbance and/or substance use disorder. The youth term will expire October 2016 and future terms shall be three years. Patricia Riibe moved to approve the bylaw changes. Bernie Grimme seconded the motion.

In addition, another position was recently vacated. Greg Sands resigned his position in January. Amy Iversen-Pollreisz requested the Council assist in seeking potential interested persons for both of the open positions. A two week timeframe was given. Council members

were asked to email Jennifer Humphrey with names and contact information. The Division of Behavioral Health will collect names and submit them to the Governor's Office for consideration.

IV. Behavioral Health Services Workgroup/Essential Services

Amy Iversen-Pollreisz discussed the Behavioral Health Services Workgroup's final recommendations, specifically those related to the Essential Services Subcommittee.

Primary Prevention

The Division is actively working on primary prevention for substance abuse. The Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant (SPF SIG) focuses on this; however this grant is coming to an end. Prevention staff are currently applying for a federal grant that is meant to follow the SPF SIG, known as the Partnership for Success grant. A gap in funding has been identified effecting the months of July through September. The Division is currently exploring other funding sources to cover services during that gap.

Early Intervention

Early intervention services tie into the school-based work with the SPF SIG as discussed above.

Recovery Supports

The Division continues to educate the public regarding recovery supports within the state and plans to develop a resource list.

Assessment and Referral

The Division has supported the creation of an integrated assessment that is criteria based for mental health and substance abuse services, which enables referrals to be much easier. This benefits the client as they will not have to repeat the same information from provider to provider.

Community Crisis Intervention

The Division continues building state-county partnerships in the area of crisis intervention services. Additional funding was allocated in FY14 to establish detox services within central South Dakota. Letters of interest were sent to potential providers across this region and a meeting was held with one respondent; however, this provider decided they were not interested in developing detox services at this time. The Division is currently examining other areas of the state that could be in need of detox services.

The Division presents information on mental illness at the law enforcement training academy and is considering modification of this to include information from the Mental Health First Aid training.

Care Coordination

Care coordination is similar to case management and is currently provided within the mental health system. However, this service is not available within the substance abuse system. Care coordination services were considered as part of the expansion for the Criminal Justice Initiative, and the division is working with CJI providers to determine what this service should

consist of.

Supported Living Services

The FY15 budget request included the creation of an IMPACT Transition Program, which was funded by the Legislature. This program will serve transition age youth who are aging out of residential placements. This pilot program would provide intensive mental health treatment and supported housing services to ensure a successful transition to the community. The pilot program would serve approximately 12 individuals. The division will issue a Request for Proposals to select a provider.

Inpatient Specialty Services

The Behavioral Health Services Workgroup prioritized community-based, least restrictive services so they did not recommend expansion for this level of care. The Workgroup did recommend continued analysis of the current beds and modification as needed.

HSC and the Division of Adult Services and Aging have been working with a nursing home in Irene to create a specific unit that will serve 11 individuals who have behavioral health challenges. This will allow individuals who are currently residing in the nursing facility units at HSC to transition to a less restrictive community setting.

Outpatient Specialty Services

The FY15 budget request included an expansion of IMPACT services in regions 2 and 3, which was funded by the Legislature. The division will issue a Request for Proposals to select providers for these services.

Per the Behavioral Health Services Workgroup recommendations, the division worked with a consultant to conduct fidelity reviews of existing IMPACT programs to ensure fidelity to the Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) model. These reviews reflected a high level of fidelity to the ACT model; however, each program was provided feedback on specific areas that they can continue to improve upon. The division will work with programs on these areas and ensure ongoing monitoring continues to assess fidelity to the ACT model.

Family Support

The Behavioral Health Services Workgroup prioritized family support services and recommended the creation of a workgroup to look at the development of such services. At this point, DSS is looking for potential funding for family support services.

V. South Dakota Voices for Children

Greg Boris, South Dakota Voices for Children, handed out “A Parent’s Guide to Children’s Mental Health Services in South Dakota” booklet. For more information go to www.sdkidsmentalhelath.org.

VI. “The Fallen” by Dodge Weishaar

Sara Weishaar shared with the Council a book called “The Fallen”. The author is her son, Dodge. Copies can be purchased through Amazon.com or Barnes and Noble’s website.

Health Homes Presentation

Dennis Pfrimmer, Director of Capital Area Counseling Services and Kathi Mueller, Division of Medical Services, conducted a presentation on health homes. See attached PowerPoint presentation.

VII. Behavioral Health System Updates

Human Services Center (HSC) – Ric Compton

Ric Compton provided an update on the Human Services Center, sharing the following FY13 data:

- * Number of admissions – 1,821
- * Average length of stay inpatient psychiatric treatment (adult) – 13 days
- * Average length of stay inpatient psychiatric treatment (adolescent) – 36 days
- * Average length of stay inpatient substance abuse treatment (adult) – 26 days
- * Average length of stay inpatient substance abuse treatment (adolescent) – 68 days
- * Average length of stay geriatric services – 283 days

Ric also discussed the work HSC and the Division of Adult Services & Aging are doing with nursing facilities to increase their ability to provide services to individuals with behavioral health challenges, including consultation services provided by HSC to prevent inappropriate admissions.

Division of Behavioral Health – Tiffany Wolfgang

Tiffany Wolfgang discussed the Criminal Justice Initiative and funding the division received in FY14 to expand substance abuse treatment capacity for individuals involved in the criminal justice system. At this point, substance abuse treatment services are being provided across the state through providers selected through an RFP process. An RFP was also released last summer for a rural pilot program; however, the division was unable to select a provider(s) based on the responses received. Therefore, the division held meetings with potential providers to discuss expectations of the rural pilot and reissued the RFP.

Tiffany also discussed areas that the division will focus on in the upcoming year including a review of mental health and substance abuse administrative rules and an analysis of outcomes related to mental health and substance abuse services.

The Division secured an Addiction Technology Transfer Center (ATTC) federal grant to support workshops for addiction professionals. See attached.

- Accreditation Program – Melanie Boetel
Program Manager, Melanie Boetel, gave a brief overview of the accreditation program. She also introduced accreditation Terry Pfahler and Katie Medema who are part of the accreditation staff.
- Mental Health Block Grant – Jennifer Humphrey
A 5% increase has been allocated towards the Mental Health Block Grant. This 5% is to be used for evidence-based programs that address the needs of individuals with early serious mental illness, including psychotic disorders. SAMHSA will be providing more specific information regarding expectations around these services and the

effective date.

- Fiscal Reports – Stacy Bruels

Stacy Bruels provided an overview of the second quarter report for FY 2014 regarding the amount expended for contract and Medicaid services by service area.

The contract amendment process has been completed and the amended contracts will be mailed to both substance abuse and mental health providers within the next week.

VIII. 9th Annual Homeless Summit

Lorraine Polak announced that the South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium is hosting its 9th Annual Homeless Summit, which will be held June 3rd and 4th. For more information, go to <http://www.housingforthehomeless.org/press-releases/9th-annual-homeless-summit-june-3-4-2014>.

IX. Future Meetings

The next Council meeting will be held Thursday, June 19th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (CST) at RedRossa in Pierre. Greg Boris, South Dakota Voices for Children, will be presenting.

Ideas voiced for future presentations included the State Certification Board for Alcohol and Drug Professionals and the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative. Future presentation ideas and agenda items should be directed to Jennifer Humphrey.

X. Adjourn

Bernie Grimme motioned to adjourn. Doug Hermann seconded the motion.