

# **LOCAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY COUNCIL**

## **BI-MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** Wednesday, June 14, 2023

**Time:** 12:00-2:00pm- Virtual

**Facilitator:** Local Behavioral Health Authority

### **In Attendance**

Andrea McDonald-Fingland, Kristy Kidwell, Katie Wandishin, Rachel Morgan, Adrienne Ellison, Nick Defelice, Kara Harrer, Megan Sarikaya, Josh Underwood, Danielle Johnson, Paula Hewlett, Betsy VanAuker, Jennifer Moreland, Candice D'Agostino, Allison O'Connell, Kimberly Shoe, Noelle Flaherty, Melissa August, Cheryl Harms, Cynthia Scrivner, Doris McDonald, Christine Diemer, Timothy Maher, Joe Windsor, Judge Michelle Saunders.

### **3Q Grants Update – Rachel Morgan**

Rachel Morris presented and reviewed a power point on all LBHA grants for 3Q.

- Q & A –
  - No questions or Comments

### **Sub- Committee Updates**

- BHCO- Meeting tomorrow but have been planning Recovery Fest and discussing the needs assessment survey that CalvertHealth sent out to determine where the gaps in services are to continue to drive our goals.
- Child and Adolescent Subcommittee- Planning events for September to include a calendar of activities for schools to challenge students, i.e., wear green and yellow socks day to signify suicide prevention and recovery.
  - Art Contest, Calendar of events.
- Crisis- No updates at this time, have not Met since the last update. Last meeting was April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

- LBHAC membership- We currently only have 4 vacancies on our advisory council. We have been trying to actively recruit. One vacancy will most likely never be filled. Newest member Kim Shoe is here with us today and will likely be a voting member at our next meeting.
- Please reach out to the Sub committee leads if there are any interests joining one of our sub-committees.

### **LBHA updates –**

- Andrea McDonald-Fingland
  - MD Medicaid Check-Campaign
    - Automatic renewals of MA will no longer occur.
    - Over the next year individuals with MA will have to complete a renewal and may lose coverage if they no longer qualify
  - Systems Manager Manual
  - Contracting
    - Plan to be done by July 1
    - Kirwan
  - SIM Update
    - Need volunteers for a small planning group
    - MH, SUD, CJ, Peer
  - Motion to approve LBHA applying to become the Hub for Calvert County.
    - 1<sup>st</sup>- Noelle Flaherty
    - 2<sup>nd</sup>- Betsy VanAuker
    - All in favor: Jennifer Moreland, Allison O’Connell, Kara Harrer, Candice D’Agostino, Josh Underwood, Melissa August, Nick DeFelice, Megan Sarikaya, Noelle Flaherty, Betsy VanAuker
    - 0-nays-0stays – Unanimous
- Katie Wandishin
  - Recovery Fest
    - Annmarie Garden on September 9 from 10am-2pm
    - Sign up as vendor by July 31 (27 signed up so far)
  - Bup/Hub and Spoke highlight.
    - Had 5 events out of 4 planned this fiscal year.
      - In partnership with MACS, Calvert Health, & Community Health

- Great attendance for the most part
  - Have really done great work breaking the stigma within the medical community.
  - Have also signed on 2 Hubs and 3 Spokes this fiscal year.
- FUNDS- Today is last day to turn in funding requests; not accepting funding applications until July 1, 2023, after tomorrow.
- The RRP program has 1 general opening but currently has a referral being reviewed for the spot.
- CoC
  - Landlord pool dwindling, only have 1 landlord left willing to work with us regularly.
  - If you know landlords who would be interested in partnering, please have them contact us or send us their contact info.
- Kristy Kidwell –
  - LBHAC Hybrid Discussion and vote
    - Motion to move forward with Hybrid LBHAC Meetings
      - 1<sup>st</sup>- Noelle Flaherty
      - 2<sup>nd</sup>- Betsy VanAuker
      - All in Favor, 0-Nays, 0-stays- Unanimous
    - Location suggestions
      - MACS? - May be under construction for expansion, Waiting for confirmation from Patricia
      - Detention center classroom and the Duke room were offered as meeting spaces.
- Rachel Morris-
  - Peer to Peer RFP Provider, Pathways was selected and is set to begin 7/1/2023
  - TCA RFP had no applicants have reached out to BHA
  - Submitting a LEAD application
  - Kurwin/ consortium RFP should be coming out soon?

➤ **Council Members Updates & Discussion**

- Noelle Flaherty – Thanks for the support with the MOUD training.
- Candice D’Agostino – National Night Out, 8/1/23, 12 Communities participating. National Overdose awareness 8/31/23 Light bulb distribution the beginning of August.
- Working with High school Athletic directors on survey for students on mental and behavioral health needs.

● **April Meeting Minutes approval.**

- 1st – Betsy VanAuker
- 2nd- Candice D’Agostino
- 0 Nays/0 Stays- All in favor – Unanimous.

● **Motion to Adjourn.**

- 1<sup>st</sup>-Candice D’Austino
- 2<sup>nd</sup>- Megan Sarikaya
- 0 Nays/0 Stays- All in favor – Unanimous.

**Next LBHAC Meeting – Hybrid- Harriet Brown Community Center**

August 9, 2023, | 12:00pm- 2:00 pm. @

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kristy Kidwell