

## LOCAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL- BI-MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Thursday, April 4, 2024

**Time:** 10:00am-2:00pm- In-Person PFVFD

**Facilitator:** Local Behavioral Health Authority

**In Attendance** – Andrea McDonald-Fingland, Kara Harrer, Nick DeFelice, Kristy Kidwell, Katie Dorsey, Sarah Bailey, Kimberly Suarez, Jayla Jones, Danielle Reumont, Derek Adams, Ed Sullivan, Jennifer Moreland, Erin Farley, Tiffany McFarland, Paula Hewlett, Danielle Johnson, Chelsea Simms, Megan Sarikaya, Arianne Odom, Noelle Flaherty, Josh Underwood, Dr. Polsky, Doris McDonald, Brigit Locklear, Cory Turner, Katherine Erly.

### **Call to Order –**

- Vice Chair, Nick Defelice

### **LBHA/Advisory Council**

- **Approval of February Meeting Minutes**
  - Unable to establish a quorum. Meeting minutes will be emailed for review and voting to approve, following today's meeting.
- **LBHA Updates**
  - Andrea
    - RFP Updates -LBHA issued 2 RFPs: Peer to Peer and Senior Mental Health Outreach. Seeking interested council members to assist with Peer-to-Peer proposal review
      - Interested people in review
        - ✓ Josh Underwood
        - ✓ Noelle Flaherty
    - Beginning stages of the creating a process of Procurement of all LBHA Contracts
  - Katie-
    - Shatter the Stigma 5k→ have 121 signed up as of April 1st; race on May 18th from 9am-12pm with the Town of Chesapeake hosting "Be Kind to your Mind" health fair  
Send out fliers if anyone wants to be a vendor or participant
    - Consumer Support Funds
      - No requests for C&A (out of \$ 10,834.00)- PM to serve 12 individuals
      - Only 2 requests fulfilled for adults (out of 10) for total of \$2,905.25 (out of \$11,500)

- MDRN funds- 2 requests (out of 60) with total of \$44 spent (out of \$6,524.00)
- Kimberly Suarez
  - RRP – Currently we have 2 Intensive and 1 General vacancies, we have referrals under review for all spots, but we are always taking referrals for our waitlist.
  - HE-Currently for homeless essentials we have almost hit our performance measure of 30 individuals, serving 29 to date. We have spent \$12,080 out of the \$12,280 that was allotted, and we still have supplies available to complete more orders.
- Sarah Bailey
  - The LBHA is working with Mt. Olive Church, CCPR, On Our Own of Calvert, and CAASA to plan a resource fair for Yardley Hills on 4/20 from 1pm to 2pm.
  - To date, the LBHA has provided 8 copies of the C&A resource guide. Presentations are still being scheduled.
  - The LBHA has hosted a resource table at 9 in-school events this year at all 4 high schools.
  - Comfort Bags have been a huge success this year, with 179 / 200 bags being requested this year.
- Jayla Jones
  - BUP - Began shopping cart ad at Harris Teeter which will run from Feb 2024 to Feb 2025 with MOUD information, continuing informative social media posts, and monitoring website updates. We have met our performance measures for anti-stigma campaigns with 3 out of 2 and continuing to work on meeting targets for others. Held Dinner for Docs event, March 7, where we successfully had 18 attendees.
  - Hub and Spoke - Have resigned MOUs for three current Spokes to last from 2024 to 2025. Have worked with 1 client to provide care coordination services who is enrolled with Spoke and induced on BUP. And have worked to complete three outreach attempts with local practices.
- Danielle Reumont
  - An audit was completed on TCM in February for FY24. While they continue to do a remarkable job within the community and with the people
  - they serve, there were several findings that will be addressed via a Provider Implementation Plan, that has been developed with Cornerstone.
  - Pathways Adolescent Clubhouse is planning to begin offering services at the Southern Community Center within the next few weeks, they are finalizing hiring staff to fill all roles.
  - Received FY25 TCA allocation and got the requested funding increase.
- Derek Adams
  - LEAD is a program that enhances public safety and equity by diverting people with unmet behavioral health needs away from jail and

prosecution. Lead is the only long-term street-based case management program built on harm reduction. We are in the process of educating the community and Stakeholders before taking on referrals. Contact Derek for more information on scheduling a session to learn more in depth about the program.

- **Sub- Committee Updates**

- **Governance** – Working on council policy and procedures, currently working on documentation, sub-committees, and strategic planning. Next meeting will plan to review chair/vice chair nominations
- **Crisis** – Continuing 988/911 coordination, working on MOU. Reviewed updated proposed crisis regs and committee members provided public comment to MD. Discussing implementation of MH/SUD related training for volunteer first responders for FY25. Exploring new Calvert Crisis model once new regs are finalized, looking at staffing needs as well as sustainability of billing vs how much grant funding will be needed to supplement.
- **C&A-** The C&A subcommittee met on February 15th to discuss the CCPS Mental Health Resource Fair and provide updates. The group met again on March 14th to discuss updates from CCPS on the Service-only MD Consortium of Coordinated Community Supports grantees in Calvert County. We also met to brainstorm and review past initiatives for September, including the calendars and heart wall. The group decided to continue using the calendars and heart walls, with different ideas on elements to include. We also discussed implementation of the Youth Mental Health Warning Signs and Resource Page, which has been sent to the community wellness team to gain approval from the Community Health Improvement Roundtable
- **BHCO-** went through resource fair toolkit and provided updates; Discussed doing an annual report on all the accomplishments of BHCO at the end of the fiscal year; reviewed and refocused goals and decided this group will assist LBHA with coming up with potential presenters for LBHA provider meetings, help plan and execute 4 MOUD anti-stigma events, and assist with coordinating workforce development training on providing co-occurring care. Next meeting is 4/18 at 2pm.

**Introductions & Ice Breaker**

- Introductions of LBHA staff and all attendees.
- Ice Breaker – ULEAD Activity “I remember when”

**Introduction to BHA’s new Continuum of Care**

- Andrea McDonald- Fingland reviewed the new Continuum of Care

**Introduction to World Café**

- Andrea McDonald-Fingland reviewed and explained how the World Café Activity works.

### **World Café Activity**

- All attendees broke into groups of four, discussing four major topics in the GAP analysis.
  - Urgent /Acute Care
  - Primary Behavioral Health/Early Prevention
  - Treatment/Recovery
  - Prevention/Promotion
- Each topic had group discussions on strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats (SWOT)

### **Lunch Break**

### **Debrief on World Café Activity**

- The remainder of the meeting was used to discuss World Café topics and group priorities.

### **Adjourn**

*Next LBHAC Meeting*  
*June 12, 2024, | 12:00pm – 2:00pm Virtual*

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
*Kristy Kidwell*