

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA)
Advisory Board

MINUTES

DATE: June 15, 2016

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

	Meeting	Videoconference	
LOCATION:	Carson City	Las Vegas	Elko
	DPBH	SNAMHS	DHCFP
	4126 Technology Way	6161 W. Charleston Blvd., Bldg. 1	1010 Ruby Vista Drive
	Second Floor Conference Room	West Hall Conference Room	Suite 103

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Burt, Chair
David Robeck
Ester Quilici
Frank Parenti
Jolene Dalluhn
Jennifer Snyder
Debbie Ridenour
Mark Disselkoen
Michelle Watkins
Tammra Pearce

Ridge House
Bridge Counseling
Vitality Unlimited
HELP of Southern Nevada
Quest Counseling
Join Together Northern Nevada
New Frontier
CASAT
Central Lyon Youth Connections
Bristlecone Family Resources

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Debra Reed
Diaz Dixon
Jamie Ross
Pauline Salla-Smith
Patrick Bozarth

Las Vegas Indian Center
Step 2
PACT Coalition
Frontier Community Coalition
Community Counseling Center

OTHERS PRESENT

Barry Lovgren
Sheila Leslie
Christopher Croft
Michelle Padden

Citizen
Washoe County
Tahoe Youth Family Services
CASAT

SAPTA/STATE STAFF PRESENT

Kevin Quint
Martie Washington
Heather Kuhn
Sheri Haggerty
Coleen Lawrence
Sara Weaver

Bureau Chief
Health Program Manager
Health Program Specialist
Business Program Analyst
Rates & Cost Containment Manager
Administrative Assistant

1. Welcome and Introduction:

Steve Burt opened the meeting at 9:09 a.m. Mr. Burt noted that there was a quorum present.

2. Public Comment:

Ms. Quilici thanked Mr. Quint for his leadership as Bureau Chief of SAPTA.

3. Approval of Minutes from the April 13, 2016, Meeting:

Ms. Quilici moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Snyder seconded, and the motion carried.

4. Standing Informational Items (Chair's Report, SAPTA Report, CASAT Report):

Mr. Quint delivered the SAPTA report.

Mr. Quint announced that he would no longer hold the position of Bureau Chief of SAPTA as of June 24, 2016. Mr. Quint stated he had accepted a position with the Division of Child and Family Services to develop a new program to address foster care and treatment capacity for children with serious emotional disturbances and their families. He indicated this was a new program as a result of changes made during the 2015 Legislative Session. Mr. Quint stated that Kyle Devine had been named the Interim Bureau Chief.

Mr. Quint stated that SAPTA had filled all positions of the prevention and treatment team.

Mr. Quint stated the rates study was underway and should be completed within the next couple of months. The study is being conducted to determine the costs of providing treatment services as well as costs related to treatment for drug and alcohol and co-occurring services.

Mr. Quint stated the treatment RFQ [Requests for Qualifications] reviews are underway and should be ready early July. There will be another solicitation for Block Grant funds in the summer of 2016.

Mr. Quint stated that the Summer School would be held August 4 and 5 in Las Vegas.

Ms. Washington advised attendees to access the information online and to nominate a treatment, peer support, mental health, and prevention provider for recognition of excellence.

Ms. Washington stated the deadline for nominations was June 15. Ms. Washington stated there was also the opportunity to apply for a scholarship to waive the \$120 registration fee. Mr. Quint stated that the Summer School was a collaborative effort between SAPTA, HIV/AIDS, and Behavioral Health Services Planning.

Mr. Quint stated that Jon Perez, SAMHSA Region 9 Representative, visited in June. Mr. Perez met with the coalitions. In addition, Mr. Quint advised the Board that Theresa Mitchell-Hampton, CSAT Representative and Damaris Richardson of CSAP, will visit Nevada in late July. Mr. Quint stated it would be a technical assistance visit. Ms. Washington added that opioid and prescription drug use would be discussed during the visit.

Mr. Quint advised the Board that he attended NASADAD [National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors] meeting recently. He stated that opioid use was the main topic of the meeting. Mr. Quint stated that, although there was an email sent recently indicating that there would be new federal funding for this initiative, no funding had been appropriated by Congress.

yet. He stated that SAPTA had recently applied for a MAT [Medication Assisted Treatment] grant. He stated that SAPTA partnered with Washoe County Detention Center, Washoe County Specialty Courts, Clark County Detention Center, and Clark County Specialty Courts to write for funding for a Vivitrol program. Vivitrol is a non-controlled substance that is a long-acting opioid antagonist. In addition, the grant is intended to provide a continuum of care for individuals that includes case management and peer support.

Mr. Quint stated that Governor Sandoval had been involved with opiate issues since September 2014. Governor Sandoval was part of the National Governors Association Prescription Drug Project. A strategic plan for Nevada was developed as a result of Governor Sandoval's work with that group. The strategic plan was then submitted to the Multidisciplinary Planning and Advisory Council (MPAC); this Council advises SAPTA. Mr. Quint stated that there would be an Opioid Summit held by Governor Sandoval. Ms. Quilici requested data for opioid use and the trends of its use. Mr. Quint stated that he would work with the Data Team to provide that information.

Mr. Quint advised the Board that 42 CFR (federal confidentiality laws) had recently undergone scrutiny, and SAMHSA is considering changes to the regulations. Mr. Quint stated he did not believe the changes would be significant.

Mr. Burt brought up the treatment RFQ and stated that most mental health services would be covered under Medicaid. He asked what services might be covered by SAPTA. Ms. Washington stated that the mental health side does not operate under the fee-for-service model. She stated the Mental Health Block Grant funds physicians, strategies, etc.

Mr. Croft asked if SAPTA would be offering target case management (TCM) training. Ms. Washington stated that CASAT would be providing the training to treatment providers. She stated the TCM training has not been offered to treatment providers yet because it is only being offered at pilot sites.

Mr. Burt read the written CASAT report in Ms. Berry's absence:

Prevention and Peer Support Credentialing Update:

The Nevada Behavioral Health Association is proposing that Nevada create an IC&RC Prevention Member Board to provide credentialing for prevention specialists and join the growing number of states and countries that offer credentialing for peer support specialists.

The International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) promotes public protection by offering internationally recognized credentials and examinations for prevention, substance use treatment, and recovery professionals.

The Nevada Behavioral Health Association recently sent out a survey to identify thoughts regarding this proposal and the potential benefits of achieving and maintaining a practice credential. The survey was sent out to all individuals that the Behavioral Health Association had contacts for.

Overwhelmingly there was a positive response to the credentialing of Prevention (87% positive response) and Peer Support Specialists (92% positive response).

Our next step is to gain approval from the Nevada Behavioral Health Association (meeting on June 27th) to create a sub-committee that will provide oversight for the credentialing process. We have already been granted approval from Agata [Gowronski] at the Board of Examiners, whose board already carries an IC&RC endorsement, to move forward with the application process.

We will have more information after the June 27th meeting and can give another update to the SAPTA advisory board at that time.

[Information on IC&RC can be found online: <http://www.internationalcredentialing.org/>]

Summer School:

Registration is still open for the Nevada Summer Institute happening August 4-5, 2016 in Las Vegas, NV. Please go to <https://nevadasi.com> to register and see a list of presenters and topics.

The Division of Public and Behavioral Health along with the University of Nevada Reno's Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT) are seeking nominations for the Exemplary Service Awards.

Nominations are due by close of business June 15, 2016, so there is still time to nominate someone!!! Awardees will be notified via email by Friday, July 1, 2016.

The purpose of the State of Nevada Exemplary Service Awards are to recognize outstanding professionals, consumers, and volunteers in the field of behavioral health and HIV/AIDS. Please go to <https://nevadasi.com/awards/> to fill out the online nomination.

[Information on Nevada Summer Institute can be found online: <https://nevadasi.com/>]

There was discussion as to whether the NAADAC [The Association for Addiction Professionals] code of ethics would still be embraced by the Board. Mr. Burt stated that several forms as well as regulations reference NAADAC. Mr. Burt indicated he would research the issue and it would be discussed during the August 10 Board meeting.

5. Discussion of Medicaid Reimbursement for Substance Abuse Treatment:

Mr. Burt requested the status of the Managed Care Organization [MCO] Request for Proposal (RFP). Ms. Tucey said she would research the issue for the status. She stated there were concurrent processes surrounding the MCOs—one being the release of the RFP for the continued processes, the second being the global process in the State of reviewing potential options with the MCOs.

Ms. Quilici asked if there had been consultation with those in the field for their input. Ms. Tucey stated that, during public meetings, there have been comments offered by those in attendance. Ms. Tucey advised Members to submit comments via the DHCFP [Division of Health Care Financing and Policy] website: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/>.

6. Update on Medicaid Meetings on Fee-for-Service and Managed Care Organizations:

Mr. Quint asked what progress had been made with issues concerning Provider Types (PT) 14 and 17. Ms. Tucey responded that, because there is a system upgrade in progress, combining PT 14 and 17 has been placed on hold until late 2017. She stated that handling of the CCBHCs [Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics] would be incorporated in the project timelines and the CCBHCs would not be impacted. She added that combining PT 14 and 17, however, would be a significant change and would not be implemented until after the new system was implemented. Ms. Tucey stated that she would provide the Board with the timeline for implementation of the system upgrades. In addition, she will relay information regarding when DHCFP would be able to make significant alterations to the system.

Ms. Tucey stated she had reached out to the MCOs regarding their handling of claims for mental health services. She stated that HPN [Health Plan of Nevada] indicated there were certain providers who could be credentialed for these services. She advised providers to contact HPN directly to discuss credentialing for those providers performing mental health services. Ms. Tucey also stated she had continued to follow up on unpaid claims.

Ms. Tucey encouraged providers to continue to contact her with any outstanding issues. She stated it is her intent to continue the partnership between SAPTA and DHCFP.

7. Discuss Performance Measures:

This agenda item was tabled.

8. Discussion of Division Criteria, Certification Instrument, and Policies:

Mr. Disselkoen reviewed the Division criteria, the certification instrument, and policies that were discussed during the April 13 meeting. In addition, he stated that the following revisions needed to be made to be in compliance with Nevada Administrative Code 458:

- Clarify the language of SAPTA's role and CASAT's role in certification (i.e., SAPTA certification versus CASAT certification).
- Use DDCAT [Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addition Treatment] criteria to differentiate between co-occurring "capable" versus co-occurring "enhanced."
- Revise the Division criteria to adopt and refer to ASAM [American Society of Addiction Medicine] levels of service.
- Clarify certification of levels of service versus endorsement of levels of service.
- Address the women's set aside to fall under contract monitoring.
- Address Civil Protective Custody; it is already covered under detoxification, so it should be certified under the ASAM withdrawal level.

Mr. Disselkoen stated he would present the revised version of the documents at the August 10 meeting.

9. Public Comment:

Mr. Lovgren stated he had worked with Mr. Quint since 1992. He stated that Mr. Quint had been instrumental in many of the positive changes that had occurred in the field as well as in SAPTA.

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10. Adjourn:

Mr. Burt adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m.