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**Behavioral Health Planning & Advisory Council**  
**Quarterly Meeting Minutes**  
**June 5, 2017**

**Division of Public & Behavioral Health**  
4126 Technology Way  
Second Floor Conference Room  
Carson City, Nevada 89706

**Rawson-Neal Psychiatric Hospital**  
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**1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Introductions**

Ms. Norris, as Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ali Jai Faison, Vice Chair	Denise Everett	Sharon Wilson
Barbara Jackson	Elizabeth Burcio	Susan Maunder
Christi Hines-Coates	Katherine Mayhew	Susan Orton
Dawn Walker	Rene Norris, Chair	William Kirby

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Alyce Thomas	Mechelle Merrill
Anis Abi-Karam	Robert Volk
Debra Parra	
LaJune Primous	

**STAFF & GUESTS**

Barry Lovgren, Private Citizen  
Dennis Humphrey, SAPTA  
Julie Slabaugh, Senior Deputy Attorney General  
Kendra Furlong, SAPTA  
Kyle Devine, BHWP  
Michelle Berry, CASAT  
Ramona Derby-Brinson, UNLV  
Susanne Sliwa, Senior Deputy Attorney General  
Trey Delap, Group Six Partners

2. **Public Comment**

Sharon Wilson announced that she would be retiring and that her supervisor Dr. Sexton would like to take Sharon's place on the council. Katherine Mayhew announced that she will be retiring in September.

3. **Review and Approve Minutes of September 9, 2016**

Ms. Wilson moved to approve the minutes and Denise Everett seconded and the motion carried.

4. **Update on Block Grant planning**

Marco Erickson spoke on behalf of Kendra Furlong about the planning document showing a time, and in the next couple of weeks there should be a solid plan for the block grant planning. Mr. Erickson explained the planning document and the resources used to create it and asked for feedback from BHPAC membership. Kyle Devine reiterated that it was just preliminary information that was looked at and that feedback was important to have so there would be a good draft before the next meeting. The due date for the block grant application is September 1<sup>st</sup>, however; Mr. Erickson would like to have it complete by August 15<sup>th</sup> to allow for some leeway in submission of the grant. Ms. Norris suggested to meet before August 15<sup>th</sup> for review. Date and time of that meet is TBA.

5. **Discuss BHPAC Membership**

There are issues with meeting Quorum. The council discussed the vacant position and the members who have not attended any meeting. A letter will be drafted and sent to the department heads of the vacant state position requesting them to put a name forward to the Governors. Ms. Norris asked Ms. Wilson if there is a replacement to take her place. Ms. Wilson replied by stating that her supervisor, Dr. Jennifer Sexton, is willing to take her place. The Nominating Committee meet will help fill the non-state positions. Meeting date and time TBA.

6. **Removal of Members**

A motion to remove and replace LaJune Primous was made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Elizabeth Burcio and the motion carried. A letter will be drafted and sent to Ms. Norris and Vice Chair Ali Jai Faison for approval. Upon approval, the letter will be sent to Ms. Primous and the Governor's Office.

Barbara Jackson asked for clarification regarding the chronically mentally ill individuals. Ms. Burcio stated that she thinks that refers to people that are diagnosed and are clients of behavioral health who are receiving treatment and medication. Ms. Jackson stated that it would more appropriate to specify consumers and mentally ill separately. Ms. Burcio believes that anyone who is being provided behavioral health services falls under chronically mentally ill. She went on to explain her reasoning by stating that if you are a consumer then you are either seeing a therapist, involved in classes or receiving medications through a behavioral health clinic. Julie Slabaugh added that the Executive Order identifies the chronically mentally ill as someone who is receiving services or has received services. Ms. Norris asked if that clarified it for Ms. Jackson. Ms. Jackson answered by stating that in her opinion "consumer" should replace "chronically" or they should just refer to it as mentally ill.

7. **Update on Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC)**

Dennis Humphrey began by stating that since the last meeting Nevada was one of twenty-four states that was participating in the planning stage of the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics grant, and last December Nevada was one of the fortunate eight states that was selected to move on to the demonstration grant program. Those eight states that are moving on are Nevada, Oregon,

Minnesota, Missouri, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey. There will be four perspective CCBHC's in Nevada; Bridge Counseling in Las Vegas, West Care in Las Vegas and a satellite office in Reno, New Frontier in Fallon, and Vitality in Elko. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) requirements for a CCBHC is that we must have one rural location and one urban location certified to perform the functions of a CCBHC. Nine other requirements that SAMHSA requires is that of the nine these four must be provided by the clinic; licenses services, diagnosis and risk assessment, outpatient mental health substance use services, and treatment planning. The next five can either be performed by the clinic or they can designate a contract which they refer to as a DCO, Designated Collaborative Organization, and these services are; psychiatric rehab services, peer family support, target case management, community based mental health care for veterans, and outpatient primary care screening and monitoring. Mr. Humphrey went on to explain that what they have done is developed a team comprised of Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC) staff, Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT) staff, and Division of Public and Behavioral (DPBH) certification team. They initially went out to the clinics in February and March to aid in their certification process. Basically, they went through all the requirements and discussed any risks they might be up against. The site visits were performed with all four of the perspective CCBHC's. They certified New Frontier as their rural in Fallon, and Bridge Counseling in Las Vegas. They're currently working with West Care and Vitality through their certification process. The demonstration grant will be effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Humphrey concluded his update and was open to questions.

Ms. Burcio talked about the rural Nevada mental health clinic in Yerington, and wanted to know what is going there because she feels that it is under staffed. She mentioned that she knows the Director retired and that she thinks they only have about two therapists. She went on to ask if that clinic was looked at and reviewed.

Mr. Humphrey responded by stating that they could only select four clinics and from the CCBHC perspective he can find out what the status of that clinic is.

8. **Review, Discuss and Make Decision on New Member Orientation Planning and Technical Assistance for Planning Councils**

Mr. Devine said that he has been in contact with the individual who is working on the technical assistance and they are waiting for further direction as to what is needed. Mr. Devine also mentioned that some time has passed since the application had been filed and that there have been some changes during that period of time. Mr. Devine also mentioned that they are trying to narrow the scope of the technical assistance and that IT is still available to help in that effort.

Ms. Norris asked if they were still going to be updating the new member orientation to include SAPTA information.

Mr. Devine confirmed that that was part of the process that was taking place, and said that he would follow up on the progress of the project.

Ms. Norris said that this was important because there are members still waiting for orientation because of the need for the update.

Ms. Burcio asked who would be receiving the training once it was available.

Ms. Norris said that it is something that everyone attends every two years.

9. **Update on the Nevada Commission on Behavioral Health**

Ms. Norris asked if anyone was present who could offer an update.

Ms. Jackson said that there was no update for her to give at this time.

10. **Update on the Statewide Peer Leadership Advisory Council**

Michelle Berry said that a lot the focus of the Peer Leadership Council has been monitoring AB194. Since the bill did not pass, the Council is looking at its strategic planning. The have had planning meetings in both the north and the south and they will be meeting again on June 15<sup>th</sup> to combine the priorities from the two meetings. Ms. Berry said that the Council is looking at expanding their education efforts for peers, workforce development for peers, and the certification process. The Behavioral Health Association houses the credentialing board for the certification process for peers. The send out a survey that asks two questions: 1.) Are interested in learning more about the peer certification process? 2.) Would you actually move forward in the peer certification process? Ms. Berry also said that since AB194 did not pass, the Council has decided to put a hold on the grandfathering period for certification. It will begin on July 1<sup>st</sup>, when peers can start submitting applications for the certification process.

Ali Jai Faison asked if there was a provision to look at the behavioral health and mental illness component because a lot of the peers were primarily involved in the substance abuse area.

Ms. Berry said that there was equal representation on the Council between those who work in the mental health field and those who work in the addiction field. They are always looking for new members and they have been reviewing the curriculum that is used to train peers throughout the state. Katherine Mayhew wanted to inform everyone that, with the system of care grant, a Nevada chapter of Youth Move, a national organization, was developed. The organization is very involved in mental health issues and making sure that youth have a voice in the planning process.

11. **Clark County Children Mental Health Consortium 10-year Strategic Plan 2017 Status Report**

Hereto attached as attachment A.

12. **Nevada Rural Children’s Mental Health Consortium Annual Progress Report for Ten-Year Strategic**

Hereto attached as attachment B.

13. **Washoe County Children’s Mental Health Consortium Summary of the Annual Plan 2017-18**

Hereto attached as attachment C.

14. **Committee Reviews**

➤ **Executive Committee**

Ms. Norris said that the Executive Committee met to discuss vacancies and attendance which was brought before this council. She also said that the Executive Committee would need to meet before the next meeting of the Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council meeting, which has to happen before August 15<sup>th</sup>.

➤ **Nominating Committee – BHPAC Vacancies, Committee Vacancies and Proposed Members**

Ms. Norris said that the Nominating Committee did not meet because they were unsure about how many vacancies there would be. Ms. Norris said that the Nominating Committee would need to meet soon and ask Raul Martinez to ask the members about a date for the next meeting.

➤ **Behavioral Health Promotion Committee – Ongoing Plans for 2017 Promotion**

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Ms. Norris asked Mr. Martinez if the Behavioral Health Promotion Committee had met. Mr. Martinez said that, to the best of his knowledge, they had not.

➤ **Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee**

Ms. Norris said that the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee would not meet again until they needed to.

➤ **Rural Monitoring Committee**

No report was given.

15. **Discuss Date and Propose Agenda Items for the Council's Next Quarterly Meeting**

Ms. Norris said that a meeting needs to take place in July 2017. She also mentioned that they will need to discuss the block grants at the July meeting.

16. **Public Comment**

Barry Lovgren referenced the timeline document and asked questions regarding the due dates of specific document and which documents were specified where on the time line. Mr. Lovgren asked if the Epidemiological Profile and the other epidemiology documents listed on the timeline were the same.

Mr. Devine answered that they were different documents.

Mr. Lovgren then asked if the Epidemiological Profile had been completed.

Mr. Devine said that the Epidemiological Profile was going under revision based on the discussion from the last Statewide Epidemiology Workgroup meeting and should be finalized soon.

Mr. Lovgren said that he would encourage that the profile, upon completion, be presented to the council.

Mr. Lovgren then asked when the needs assessment would be completed.

Mr. Devine said that, to the best of his knowledge, the needs assessment had not yet been completed.

Mr. Lovgren asked that the needs assessment also be provided to the council upon its completion.

17. **Adjournment – 10:12 a.m.**