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SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT AGENCY ADVISORY  
BOARD BIMONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
October 19, 2022  
9am to adjournment

Meeting held via TEAMS

1. Roll Call and Announcements

**Members Present:**

Jolene Dalluhn, Quest Counseling  
Jamie Ross, PACT Coalition  
David Robeck, Bridge Counseling  
Kasey Chu, Lana Robards, New Frontier  
Michelle Padden, Mark Disselkoen, Carina Rivera, Center for the Application of  
Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT)  
Kay Velardo, Community Counseling Center of Southern Nevada  
Tammie Shemenski, Churchill Community Coalition  
Anne-Elizabeth Northan, Join Together Norther Nevada  
Peter Ott, Bristlecone  
Mari Hutchinson, Step 2  
Amanda Hinds, WestCare  
Wendy Nelson, Frontier Community Coalition  
Ester Quilici, Vitality Unlimited  
Gina Flores- O'Toole, Ridge House  
Jasmine Cooper, HELP of Southern Nevada

**Members Absent:** Leo Magridician- excused

**Staff and Guest Present:**

Linda Anderson, Elyse Monroy, Iris Key, Joan Waldock, Joshua Cabral, Mavis Major,  
Trey Delap, Wendy Madson

**SAPTA/State Staff Present:**

Kendall Holcomb, Kim Garcia, Lawanda Jones, Janice Stenson, Antonia Capparelli,  
Brandy Archuleta, Denys Williams, Stacy McCool, Heather Kuhn, J'Aime Webster-  
Frederick, Jennie Bear, Jennifer Tongol, Katherine Smith, Shannon Bennett, Stacey  
Wittke, Yesenia Fuentes



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2. Public Comment

There was no public comment

3. Approval of Minutes from June 8, 2022, as they are written

Ms. Cooper made motion to approve minutes as written

Ms. Dalluhn seconded the motion, there were no abstentions, motion passes unanimously

4. 988 Crisis Response Infrastructure presentation- Kendall Holcomb

Ms. Holcomb spoke about the new 988 Crisis Response System and how it will provide universal and convenient access to those suffering a mental health crisis.

Kendall Holcomb shared her contact information

[kholcomb@health.nv.gov](mailto:kholcomb@health.nv.gov)

775-431-7092

Ms. Holcomb mentioned that there are plans to expand mobile crisis in Clark and Washoe county school districts and to expand to Elko with an in-person pilot program.

5. Detoxification Technician Certification Review- Lawanda Jones

Ms. Jones spoke about the roles of a Detoxification Technician and how to apply for certification and where to take the Detox Certification course. Ms. Jones mentioned that at this time there are 7 certifications in her queue which she hopes to have done by the end of the week.

Mr. Disselkoen clarified some information from the presentation regarding level of care 3.7.

6. State Opioid Response Grant Project review- Carina Rivera

Ms. Rivera spoke about CASAT's roles pertaining to SOR dollars and how the focus has shifted over time through the funding timeline. Fentanyl test strip distribution launched in March 2022 and has sent 21,900 test strips to agencies to distribute. There has been a focus on Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome Prevention, Overdose Response, and Zero Suicide Initiative. SOR 3 is a new grant and will focus on Naloxone saturation and availability.

Mr. Robeck would like to know how many SOR clients have been served.

Ms. Rivera would gather that information and provide to the board in the future.

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Chair Ross asked if the Naloxone saturation plan could be shared with the board along with the presentation.

Ms. Kuhn stated there is approximately 10.7 million dollars that will be carried over from SOR II to SOR III, and a bulk of that will go to CASAT subrecipients, Naloxone and Fentanyl test strips, and the Regional Behavioral Health Coordinators.

7. Substance Abuse Block Grant Update- Jennifer Tongol

Ms. Tongol spoke about how the SABG mini application is a continuation of fiscal year 22 going into fiscal year 23. The application was heard by the public on September 29, 2022 and was submitted and we are now waiting on approval and notice of award.

Ms. Ross asked if there was an update from the prevention side and Ms. Bear responded that the prevention is part of the treatment block grant, so there is nothing to report at this time.

8. Mental Health Block Grant update- J'Aime Webster Frederick

Ms. Webster Frederick reported that the Mental Health Block Grant mini-application was submitted on September 1<sup>st</sup> with a total allotment of 9.3 million dollars, this includes a 10% set aside for Early Serious Mental Illness and First Episode Psychosis, there is also a 5% set aside for Crisis Services. We also submitted a no cost extension in the amount of 6.7 million to continue services.

Ms. Bennet spoke briefly to try and clarify the different funding sources and SAPTA sections that are involved in handling the funds.

Mr. Robeck and Ms. Dalluhn asked if there could be a presentation from the bureau to go over the different funding sources, there seems to be a lot of confusion regarding money and who gets it and how it is spent. Mr. Robeck asked if we could also include some information regarding the Opioid Settlement dollars.

Ms. Bennet stated she would put together a synopsis for the next meeting.

9. Standing agenda items-

Ms. Ross asked if we are interested in having meetings in person or continue with web-based meetings.

After board discussion a hybrid model would be an option

Ms. Holcomb reported that the Nevada Resiliency Website will be updated to include the outreach to the agricultural community.

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Mr. Disselkoen reported that NAC 458 revision will be heard by the Board of Health on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

10. Public Comment

There was no public comment

11. Adjourn at 10:39am

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