

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention

Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council
MINUTES

DATE: August 5, 2019

TIME: 1 p.m. to Adjournment

	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Videoconference</i>
LOCATION:	Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency, 4126 Technology Way, Suite 200 – 2nd Floor Conference Room, Carson City, NV 89706	Health Care Quality and Compliance, 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, Large Conference Room, Las Vegas, NV 89119

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Karen Greene
Alyce Thomas
Rene Norris
Sondra Cosgrove
Ali Jai Faison
Dr. Drew Skeen
Charlene Frost
Stacy Kollias

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Jennifer Sexton
Amber Neff
Susan Maunder
Dawn Walker
Gillian Rae Stover

STAFF & GUESTS PRESENT

Brook Adie, SAPTA Bureau Chief
Rhonda Buckley, SAPTA
Raul Martinez, SAPTA
Alexis Tucey, Medicaid
Trey Delap, Group Six Partners

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1. **Introductions, Announcements and Roll Call**
Roll call was taken; quorum met. Introductions held. In absence of Rene Norris, Ali Jai Faison chaired the meeting.
2. **Public Comment**
None.
3. **Approval of Minutes from June 24, 2019 Meeting**
Mr. Faison asks for motion to approve minutes. Alyce Thomas makes motion to approve; Dr. Green seconds the motion. Motion carries; none opposed.
4. **Discussion on Institution for Mental Diseases (IMD) Waiver**
Mr. Faison asks if there are any questions or comments regarding information. Ms. Kollias asks to speak on subject. Explains funding, and lack of, for those with mental diseases. Also, the lack of insurance for many people suffering from mental diseases. Ms. Tucey, with Medicaid, advises the group a federal mandate restricts Medicaid from funding IMD. Individual states may choose to fund in-patient care, an extraordinary high cost, which may destroy any state's budget. This matter is something Medicaid has been working on with the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, funding is the challenge. Did not get funding from recent legislative session; but they are strategically planning for the next session. Ms. Norris asked if the board position specified for Medicaid is currently filled. Raul Martinez noted it is vacant at this time. Ms. Tucey noted they (Medicaid) are in the process of filling the position. Ms. Kollias asks this item be made actionable on next meeting's agenda. Members discuss the urgent need for the service and continuum of care. Mr. Faison asked Ms. Tucey if there is anything the BHPAC Board can do to advance the IMD Waiver and find resolution. Ms. Tucey noted this matter is something that can take an advocacy stand point to it, making the recommendation to the Medicaid director, reemphasizing the importance of it, as well as to the Governor, legislative bodies. Advocate to medical-surgical hospitals that are not licensed as psychiatric hospitals, that can house this population, to expand or open beds for those in need of services. Because the Med-Surg hospitals don't meet the IMD exclusion so they can serve this population. Ms. Norris also noted some medical professionals need additional training to serve this population.
5. **Discussion on Nomination Process for Chair and Co-Chair in coordination with the Governor's Office, of Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council (BHPAC) (SAPTA Staff)**
Rhonda Buckley informs the board that there has been no return contact from the Governor's after several attempts. Members discussed nomination/appointment/interview process. Mr. Faison suggests process is in the Board's bylaws, and to follow those directions. Members in agreement, would like this item made actionable on next agenda. Ms. Buckley said she would do so.
6. **Discussion on Budgeting for Consultant and Administrative Assistant for BHPAC Board**
Ms. Norris spoke of the board having a consultant in the past, and the board has not seen the budget so not sure what it is. Brook Adie advised the board the application for the Block Grant has been completed and would be posted today for review. As far as the budget, would have to consult with her MA to see where the budget is. Ms. Adie said there is money for travel and per diem for board members. Not 100 percent certain so she will get back to the board on that. Funding for these two positions were taken away several years ago. Funding for those positions is not available right now.

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The block grant application has been completed and will be available for review and comment. Ms. Norris asked where money (for consultant and administrative assistant) go? Ms. Adie read Executive Order for member reimbursements; and noted she will get additional information and get back to the board. Mr. Faison noted Ms. Adie will get information and bring it back to the board.

7. Presentation on the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) and Trauma Informed Care (TIC) (*Dr. Greene*)
Dr. Greene offered information she developed in training professionals who work with those who have been traumatized. Presentation was carried over from prior (canceled) meeting. How to help those who have been traumatized and how to not re-traumatize individuals. Dr. Greene also described levels of traumatization and how it can affect individuals differently, including physically and mentally. And how trauma is related with other disorders. Mr. Faison asked Ms. Adie if there is training available to professionals in this realm through SAPTA. Ms. Adie noted CASAT does offer training in this area, but she would check into as she knows some training is in-person, some is web-based.
8. Review of the Block Grant Application and Funding (*Brook Adie*)
Mr. Faison mentioned Ms. Adie already covered this item, and members can refer to the DPBH website to review. Ms. Adie noted anyone can go to website and leave public comment or ask questions.
9. Discussion on Procedure for Processing Stipend of Board Members (*SAPTA Staff*)
Mr. Faison noted this was covered by Brook Adie in prior item. Reimbursements would be made for travel, attendance of meetings.
10. Update on Regional Behavioral Health Policy Boards (*Ariana Saunders*)
Ariana Saunders, coordinator for the Clark Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board updated the board on implementing AB76, which revised the boundaries of the boards and new members to be appointed the board, as well as bylaws for each board. Each board is also working on finalizing their strategic plans and annual report.
11. Make Recommendations for Agenda Items for Upcoming Meetings (*BHPAC Board*)
Mr. Faison asked Ms. Buckley if she had the items noted as action items for the next meeting of the board. Ms. Buckley said yes and read them to the board. Ms. Norris makes a motion to make items as action items for next meeting of Sept. 9, 2019; Alyce Thomas seconds the motion. Mr. Faison asks if there were any opposed; none opposed, motion carries.
12. Public Comment
Ms. Adie noted DPBH will be putting out an RFA for two providers, for specialty coordinated services for individuals experiencing First Episode Psychosis and Early Serious Mental Illness. Ms. Buckley noted she has received two applications for membership to the BHPAC board. Also, she when she makes contact with the Governor's Boards, she will get information to schedule orientation for new members, and a refresher course for existing members who are near their two-year term.
13. Adjournment
Alyce Thomas motions to adjourn; Ms. Norris seconds; motion carries. Meeting adjourned.