

# GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO

## Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Meeting – Minutes – **DRAFT**

JULY 30, 2024– 11:00 A.M.

GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON -- KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON – CHAIRMAN: FAWN WAGNER

ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON: AMBER COPE; CAMERON FORDMEIR; CHARLIE McCARY; DIEGO MENDOZA; FAWN WAGNER; GORDON CABLE; KAREN RICHARDSON;  
MEREDITH PIEHOWSKI; STANTON MAGID; ROBERTA ELLIS

ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM: CODY NESBITT; JOEL CHAVEZ; SAVANNAH BURTS; ZACHARY RODDY

	Item	Type	Description	Discussion Leader	
1.	Call to Order		Fawn Wagner called the meeting to order at 11am	Fawn Wagner	
2.	Introductions		Fawn Wagner called roll	Fawn Wagner	
3.	Agenda Additions/Changes		None	Fawn Wagner	
4.	Approve Meeting Minutes	<b>ACTION</b>	Review/Approve March 26, 2024 meeting minutes	Fawn Wagner	Charlie McCary moved to approve the March 26, 2024 meeting minutes as presented; Stanton Magid seconded; motion approved.
5.	GCBH ASO Updates/Review  Committee Reviews/Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EC: Executive Committee</li> <li>• CCP: Clinical Crisis Providers</li> <li>• FFOC: Funding &amp; Fiscal</li> <li>• MIS: Management Info Systems</li> <li>• QMOC: Quality Management</li> </ul> *Draft form was given in previous meeting; approved minutes now available		<p>ASO Staff Update: Karen Richardson discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FY25 started July 1<sup>st</sup>; Block Grant plans will be presented later in the meeting that <u>will need to be approved by BHAB to be presented to Executive Committee.</u></li> <li>• Will present a request for a new staff member due to more contract requirements.</li> <li>• FY23 annual Audit; no findings, passed.</li> </ul> <p>ASO Clinical Update: No update in Sindi Saunders absence.</p> <p><u>ASO Meeting Minutes &amp; Materials:</u> GCBH meeting minutes since the last BHAB meeting were sent in advance for review. There were no comments or questions.</p>	ASO Staff	

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		<p>ACTION ACTION ACTION</p> <p>ACTION ACTION ACTION ACTION ACTION ACTION</p>	<p>Karen Richardson discussed the following that are grants for approval from BHAB to present to the Executive Committee:</p> <p>FY25 MHBG Block Grant Plans FY25 SUPTRS Block Grant Plans (SABG) FY25 CBHEF Enhancement Funds (6032)</p> <p>Fawn Wagner discussed the following policies and procedures for approval to present to the Executive Committee:</p> <p>IS702 – Network Security PS609 – Remote Access Procedure PS627 – PHO Data Transmission IS704 – Information Systems IS706 – Data Importing Procedure IS708 – Data Processing Procedure PS610 – Password Protection</p>		<p>Charlie McCary moved to approve FY25 MHBG Block Grant Plans, FY25 SUPTRS Block Grant Plans and FY25 CBHEF Enhancement Funds to move to Executive Committee as distributed; Stanton Magid seconded; motion approved.</p> <p>Charlie McCary moved to approve policies and procedures numbered: IS702, PS609, PS627, IS704, IS706, IS708 and PS610 to move to Executive Committee as presented; Stanton Magid seconded; motion approved.</p>
6.	Policy Review/Approval		Presented above		
7.	PACT	Update	<p>Diego Discussed the Comprehensive PACT Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 86 active participants</li> <li>• One open BHS position and one case manager position available</li> <li>• Weekly collaboration with Camp Hope in Yakima</li> <li>• Have been getting direct referrals for intake from Probation, Community resource partners, web outreach and walk-ins.</li> </ul>	Diego Mendoza	

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8.	OBHA Update	Update	In Alyssa's absence, Cindy Adams discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alyssa currently on FMLA and will be off through August; there are a couple of others assisting while Alyssa is out. Let Cindy know if you have any issues</li> </ul>	Alyssa Cruz	
9.	Regional Peer Support Program	Update	Cindy Adams discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cindy and Alyssa went out into the community for a "tour" of the 9 counties.</li> <li>Lots of events out in the community.</li> <li>Behavioral Healthcare conference was in Tri-Cities this year; it may continue to be here locally.</li> <li>Peer Pathways conference August 21-23 in Yakima; this is for any peers, family members.</li> <li>July 1<sup>st</sup> the Certified Peer Specialist training was to be set up by the state. Once Cindy receives the dates for the trainings, she will have Fawn send out an email to all.</li> <li>Peer Blend: Once a month group; informational meeting about the happenings across the state. First Thursday of the month from 9-10am</li> <li>Participates in the Lived Experience sub group.</li> <li>Takes part in Washington Peer Network</li> </ul>	Cindy Adams	
10.	Family Youth & System Partner Round Table (FYSPRT)	Update	Meredith Piehowski discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working on the quarterly report due at the end of July</li> <li>Needs assessment due for our region on October 31<sup>st</sup>; this may be in survey form.</li> <li>Next meeting Thursday August 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:30pm</li> <li>Lots of events scheduled; t-shirt design for Take Strides event in September (tentatively on 9/25/24)</li> <li>To date, for the calendar year 2024, we have given away: 16 medication bags; 143 ammo boxes; 32 gun safes.</li> <li>Zachary Roddy and Roberta Ellis to take over FYSPRT as conveners on August 1<sup>st</sup>.</li> <li>Actively looking for and recruiting Tri-leads for Family, youth and System Partners.</li> </ul>	Meredith Piehowski	
11.	SUD Navigator Program	Update	Cameron Fordmeir discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quarterly reports turned in on time and looked great.</li> </ul>	Cameron Fordmeir	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 2023, Merit took over. In January, started Pre-trial diversion. Benton County, and soon to be Franklin County are the only counties to have Pre-trial diversion in WA state; looking to add it to the surrounding counties along with Pre-arrest and attempting to do this on an out-patient basis.</li> </ul>		
12.	Youth Access Resource Program (YARP)	Update	<p>Gordon Cable discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently live in Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Kittitas and Whitman Counties. Plan to go live in Asotin and Garfield Counties September 1<sup>st</sup>. Plan for Yakima is January 1, 2025.</li> <li>29 members participating in the Steering Committee.</li> <li>Looking to implement Teen Mental Health First Aid in some schools as it has been successful in the Richland School District.</li> <li>Looking to provide trainings for Autism and IDD.</li> <li>Continuing to look at WISE like services for kids without Medicaid.</li> <li>29 referrals year to date through the secure portal; have served Walla Walla, Columbia, Kittitas, Benton and Franklin counties, only county with no referral has been Whitman county.</li> <li>Have held 11 MTD's; have held multiple care coordination meetings as well.</li> </ul>	Gordon Cable	
13.	Community Behavioral Health Rental Assistance Program (CBRA)	Update	<p>Gordon Cable discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Just ended the Fiscal year.</li> <li>Provided just over \$615,000 in long term rental subsidies. Have served 7 of 9 counties; Garfield and Columbia counties have very low populations.</li> <li>Completed Fiscal monitoring with Commerce; No findings; 3 discrepancies (2 fixed); wording of one policy.</li> </ul>	Gordon Cable	
14.	Other Business	<b>ACTION</b>	Discussed the Committee Application for Tim Jackson; Tim was a previous committee member for many years.	Fawn Wagner	Amber Cope moved to approve Tim Jackson a new member of BHAB; Charlie

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			Amber Daniel stated "I am really looking forward to the day these grants go out based on the need to build up infrastructure in areas rather than on population of an area. I really hope that day comes someday soon, like in my lifetime"		McCary seconded; motion approved.
15.	Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 11:47am	Fawn Wagner	