

ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY

PLANNING & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 10, 2017

PLANNING & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Killpack, MS, Committee Vice Chair, Elsie Caraballo, Pythias D. Jones, MD, Mary M. Step, PhD, Mary R. Warr, M.Ed., Anngela Williams

Absent: Reginald C. Blue, PhD, Eugenia Cash, LSW, MSSA, CDCA, J. Robert Fowler, PhD, Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., Katie Kern-Pilch, MA, ATR-BC

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

William Denihan, C.E.O., Frank Brickner, Holly Butterfield, Tami Fischer, Cheryl Fratalone, John Garrity, Valeria Harper, Esther Hazlett, Derrick Kirklen, Dave Lambert, Michelle Myers, Danei Nowosadzki, Scott Osiecki, Ralph Piatak, Starlette Sizemore-Rice, Michaele Smith, Maggie Spellman, Diane Taylor, Linda Torbert, Tom Williams

1. CALL TO ORDER

On behalf of Committee Chair, Dr. Fowler, Planning & Oversight Committee Vice Chair, Steve Killpack, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Joint Planning & Finance Committee minutes of April 19, 2017 were approved as written.

3. AMBULATORY DETOX

Derrick Kirklen, Adult Behavioral Health Specialist and Thom Huggins, RN, from the Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) presented an overview on a collaborative pilot program with the VNA. The pilot is for the medical management of clients continuing to experience Post-Acute Withdrawal Symptoms (PAWS). Mr. Huggins further explained that the VNA will use a withdrawal management tool to assess the clients referred to the program. They will utilize "comfort" medications to continue the detox process and address PAWS. Treatment will continue weekly, for up to 30 days or until client is assessed and deemed appropriate to participate in an identified level of treatment programming. Discussion followed. Mr. Killpack thanked the VNA for the collaboration.

Committee input: Mr. Killpack requested that the Agenda Process Sheet should be amended to reflect the correct number of clients in the pilot, approximately 120 individuals. Ms. Caraballo requested monthly reports to the committee on the progress of the pilot program.

Motion to recommend approval of entering into contract with Visiting Nurse Association for Ambulatory Detox Pilot Program to the Finance & Operations Committee. MOTION: P. Jones / SECOND: E. Caraballo / AYES: P. Jones, E. Caraballo, S. Killpack, E. Thoms, M. Warr / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None/ **Motion passed.**

4. PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT UPDATES

Valeria Harper, Vice President of Operations, gave an overview of the expanded definition of Performance Improvement Plan (PIP), also known as a "Watch" plan. Generally, providers are not meeting the benchmarks in non-Medicaid contracts. The expanded version includes newly contracted providers and scenarios when providers are placed on a monitoring plan due to financial concerns. William Denihan, CEO, further noted that the ADAMHS Board wants to ensure that providers are accountable; it is intended to inform providers of areas of concern.

- a) **Beech Brook Early Childhood Mental Health (ECMH):** Linda Torbert, Children's Behavioral Health Administrator, noted that staff met with Beech Brook monthly from December through April. The agency completed all Performance Improvement Plan goals. Ms. Torbert supports the recommendation to discontinue formal monitoring. Discussion followed.

- b) **East Cleveland Neighborhood Center (ECNC):** Ms. Torbert placed ECNC on PIP to ensure maintaining continuity and certification of their services and programming. The agency has completed all Performance Improvement Plan goals. Ms. Torbert's recommendation is to release the remaining funding for CY17.

Committee Input:

The committee requested, if appropriate, to include a spirituality/Faith-Based component into the program.

Motion to recommend approval of the ECNC Contract Extension to the Finance & Operations Committee.

MOTION: M. Step / SECOND: E. Caraballo / AYES: P. Jones, E. Caraballo, S. Killpack, E. Thoms, M. Warr / NAYS: None / ABSTAIN: None/ **Motion passed.**

- c) **Hitchcock Center for Women (HCFW):** Frank Brickner, Chief Financial Officer, noted the causes of the financial challenges at HCFW due to loss of funding. Which included cuts from United Way, HUD and the state of Ohio. The ADAMHS Board conducted financial stability reviews in 2015-2016 and as a result, Hitchcock has remained on the financial watch list. The most recent Financial Stability Review showed improvement; however, operating losses have continued. Mr. Denihan stated that HCFW applied for a loan to assist with payment to the IRS for payroll taxes, but the application was denied. As a result, HCFW approached ADAMHS Board requesting a cash advance to assist with the IRS assessment penalty. A cash advance request will be submitted to the Finance and Operations Committee for approval. Staff recommends that HCFW remain on a PIP for the remainder of 2017. Dr. Jones inquired if the Ambulatory Detox pilot would assist HCFW as well as whether The United States Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VA) had been contacted about facilitating treatment of female veterans. Mr. Denihan stated that the Ambulatory Detox pilot would assist HCFW and he was not aware if the VA had been contacted.

Feedback requested from committee:

Ms. Harper pointed out the new format of the outlines in the packets provided to the committee members for non-action items. Mr. Killpack commented that he was very pleased with the new format.

- d) **Murtis Taylor (MT):** Mr. Denihan introduced Lovell Custard, CEO of Murtis Taylor. Mr. Custard stated that he met with ADAMHS Board staff to discuss transitioning two residential facilities back to the ADAMHS Board in CY 2017. The agency is considering transitioning out of residential all together in CY 2018. As part of MT's strategic plan, they believe that the monies would be better used in other areas. Ms. Harper noted that the ADAMHS anticipates a smooth transition. Ms. Harper also praised MT for making this decision and ADAMHS Board transition plan is ready to be implemented immediately. Ms. Harper stated that the more than 40 residents will not have to move out of the facilities. Ms. Warr expressed her sadness but noted that she respected the decision. She asked how long the discussion had been going on. Mr. Custard stated that the strategic plan process began in 2016 and MT recognized that there are better uses of their resources going forward. Dr. Farid Sabet, Chief Clinical Officer, also praised the decision. Mr. Killpack stated the committee is aware of the stress on the agencies caused by Behavioral Health Redesign. Ms. Harper stated that the Board will ensure 24/7 coverage until a permanent provider is named. The approximate number of affected clients is 47 out of 7,000 served by MT. Mr. Killpack stated that the committee has confidence in the plan and looks forward to the update next month.

5. SHARES Update

John Garrity, Ph.D., Chief Quality Officer, stated that progress on SHARES continues. In addition to the four (4) pilot providers, the Boards five (5) largest providers have been trained and registered in the system. During May and June, Board staff will train small and medium agencies. SHARES will be adjusted to reflect BH Redesign rates and codes to assist the providers. Mr. Garrity anticipates that over the next six months, the majority of enrollment, claims and service authorizations and outcomes functions will function within SHARES.

6. Public Art Mural Project

Mr. Denihan introduced Ricky Lewis of Lewis Art to discuss the mural project. Mr. Lewis has recruited nine individuals to participate in the project. Participants range from 16 to 41 years of age, and were recruited from the St. Clair Superior Corp.; Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries, Bell-Burton Development Corp, and Cleveland Treatment Center. The participants are receiving a stipend of \$15 per hour and have participated in seven group sessions with topics that cover effects of drug use and no drug use on life, job readiness, relationship building, financial literacy, use of art for expression, design and concepts, as well as location and technique. Mural site locations include W. 38th St and Detroit Avenue and E. 40th and Community College Drive. The concept is breaking the chain of addiction: Treatment works, people recover. Mr. Lewis will reach out to families who have lost members to addiction to include their images as part the mural. Mr. Denihan commented that Mr. Lewis is a good mentor to the participants. Ms. Warr commented on the depiction of the hands and suggested they be altered. Dr. Jones asked what the life span of a typical mural is. Mr. Lewis responded that it depends on the type of paint that is used; he expects the mural to last for approximately 10-15 years. Ms. Warr inquired as to whether the mural project could emphasis prevention as well as recovery. Mr. Denihan expressed his feelings that the project encompasses both prevention and recovery by showing hope. Ms. Warr also expressed her interest in seeing spirituality and children included as part of the mural.

Motion to recommend approval of the Public Art Mural Project to the Finance & Operations Committee.

MOTION: P. Jones / SECOND: M. Warr / AYES: P. Jones, E. Caraballo, S. Killpack, E. Thoms, M. Warr / NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None/ **Motion passed.**

7. State Budget Update

Mr. Denihan stated the budget included \$170 million for opiate addiction. Mr. Denihan stated that he hoped that the state would allocate the monies and allow the Ohio ADAMHS Boards to determine the best use of the funds. Mr. Denihan stated that State Senator Mike Skindell has asked for supporting information and he will be the ADAMHS Board point person on the Controlling Board. The state is also considering cuts to Medicaid which will impact the Board.

Mr. Killpack excused himself and turned the chair duties over to Dr. Pythias Jones.

8. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- West Side Recovery Center will open in July.
- Seasons of Hope will receive a donation of a building from Marc Stefanski, Chairman and CEO, of Third Federal Savings Bank.

9. AUDIENCE COMMENT - None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Submitted by: Michaele A. Smith, Administrative Assistant

Approved by: Steve Killpack, MS, Planning & Oversight Committee Vice Chair