

WASHINGTON COUNTY
Behavioral Health Council
Wednesday
December 6, 2023

Present: Mary Monnat, Marcia Hille, Francesca Sinapi, Karen James, Stephanie Rose, Dave Mowry, Carol Greenough, Colin McCoy, Eric Schmidt, Laura Vences, Larysa Thomas, Sean Fields

Absent: Kim Cooper, Danielle Berner, Jennifer Yonker, Rebecca Jones, Steven Youngs

Staff: Nick Ocón, BH Director; Ian May, BH Program Manager; Kathy Prenevost, Addictions Supervisor; Jasmine Cuddigan, Administrative Specialist II; Aika Fallstrom, Program Specialist

Guests: Kathy French, Sgt, Holly Greener, Sally Reid, Jason Renaud

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Program Updates:

CMHP (Community Mental Health Program)

- We are waiting on the amended intergovernmental agreement. We are hoping to get that next month (November) so that this contract can be extended to cover 18 months
- Association of Community Mental Health Programs (AOCMHP) is coming up with legislative concepts for the 2024 short session.
- Measure 110 will be a huge focus
- We are looking at costing out services (at this point, there is a \$1 million price tag for Community Restoration)
- The governor is looking for shovel ready projects to fund, so we are looking at requesting additional capital funding and sobering services for the CATT.

CCO (Coordinated Care Organizations)

- On 12/5 there were consent agenda items on for the Board of Commissioners to approve the funds from the respective CCOs (CareOregon and Trillium). They did move to approve so we are able to receive the funds from CareOregon and Trillium.
 - We have two agreements from CareOregon (around \$5 million for care coordination and safety net services)
 - We are looking to add a new position in our office to assist with monitoring HIPAA compliance.
- The 1115 Waiver is working on making health related social needs a Medicaid benefit. Here are the timelines that they are hoping for:

- Climate will be the first need to become available (March 2024)
- Housing to start in July of 2024
 - They will be looking to expand this benefit in January of 2025
- Nutrition to begin in January of 2025
- January 2025 will also explore continuing Medicaid for Adults in Custody
- The waiver will help to mitigate the frequency of redeterminations as they are looking to make the eligibility for two years instead of just one year.

Addictions

- Center for Addictions Triage and Treatment (CATT) Update
 - The recent Peer Drop in Center (to be located in the Elam Young building) had a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The contract has been awarded to the peer-run organization, Mental Health and Addictions of Oregon (MHA AO)

Member Updates/ Sharing

- **Karen-** urged fellow council members to follow conversation of Measure 110 to be informed for the upcoming legislative session.
- **Carol-** referred to the recent article in the Oregonian about the CATT

Behavioral Health Crisis Services

- BH Director, Nick Ocón, provided an overview to the BHC about crisis services in Washington County.
- Important takeaways:
 - Washington County Crisis Line: 503-291-9111
 - You can also call **988** for assistance
- Please see attached slideshow for additional information

Year in Review/Officer Positions and Vote

- There was a slideshow sent out to the group with the achievements of 2023 by the BHC.
- Colin McCoy was selected as the Vice Chair for 2024.

Final Announcements

- Noble House is up and running in partnership with Supportive Housing Services

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

The minutes for October have been approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Aika Fallstrom, Program Specialist