



Rolling Hills

Community Services Region

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Regional Adult / Children Advisory Board Agenda

Meeting will be held via Zoom

June 27, 2022

1:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order / Welcome and Introductions— Kim Keleher, Chair

Kelsey Allen, Administrative Assistant; Jean Heiden, Crawford County; Louise Galbraith, Lisa Bringle, Caylyn McCormick, Theresa Jocum, Julie Albright, Coordinators; Melissa Drey, PAMHC; Nicolle Eaton, SMHC; Rachel Wurth, Rosecrance; Joan Hansen, Prairie Lakes AEA; Clay Adams, Wesco; Karla Manternach, Counseling Services, LLC; Mindi Rotert, St. Anthony's; Stacey Warner, Trivium; Teresa Magnussen, Anita Schlender, Imagine the Possibilities; Brian Flikeid, Aurelia/Marcus Police Chief; Todd Noack, Life Connections; Kim Keleher, Plains Area Mental Health; Rob Aiken, DHS; Kathy Erickson, Mental Health Advocate; Amanda Weber, Howard Center; Jamaine Wamberg, SMHC

2. Core Services Development- Update

- **Access Center/Subacute Discussion/Community Based Crisis Stabilization Update—Nicolle Eaton, Melissa Drey**

Melissa Drey stated the Access Center is still under construction, Community Based Crisis Stabilization does have approval and MCAT has quadrupled calls from May to June; 2 phone calls having been juveniles. She has talked with Nicolle Eaton and they have seen an uptake in crisis referrals. They received approval for the joint marketing plan from Governance Board two months ago and are now working with KTIV for ads/marketing, radio ads mentioning PAMHC, SMHC and Rolling Hills will hit the station in July. Nicolle

Eaton is working with Staples for crisis leaflets as a “keep and carry” for providers. July 1st opening date is still in hopes. If anyone would like us to come out and speak to a group, we are more than willing to do so. Lisa Bringle asked if Friday is still the start date for Access Center and Sheila Martin responded with yes. Anyone with questions on the Access Center and Subacute, please reach out to Nicolle Eaton. Maggie asked if there will there be something sent out discussing how to use the Access Center and will law enforcement have to transport clients themselves.

Sheila Martin states they are under a lot of deadlines for July 1st but are doing their best to make a smooth transition.

3. IRSH Update – Stacey Warner, Trivium

Stacey Warner discussed that IRSH is moving along with a lot of progress and have signed contracts with both MCO’s. First IRSH home in Sioux City with 4 individuals, hoping to be able to increase those houses, pending “houses”. The homes are within neighborhoods with behavioral health professionals available and individual and group therapy with dedicated therapist on a daily basis. We make a decision based on the needs of individuals, with the region identifying individuals they believe would do well in our IRSH. The first staff member, a supervisor, starts tomorrow with several staff starting the next week and training following next month. We are in the process of recruiting for a therapist, with hopes for a fulltime member but willing to do part-time, this is our biggest need. We are hoping for clients in the home at the beginning of August. Individuals will need to meet all requirements from the HCBS side to be eligible, no eject no reject. If they are violent or sex offender, could be denied, a hospitalization is not an automatic discharge. They are not taking minors. There will be an overview of acceptance, including diagnosis, functional impairment, exhibited lack of progress after active treatment, risk of deterioration without care, one or more of the following: (a) three or more psych hospitalization; (b) 90 psych days and resides in state resource center; (c) spmi/schedule release from jail and are homeless. Referrals must come from a case manager or from behavioral health regions.

4. Data Analytics/Evidenced Based Practices Committee update – Regional Staff

Lisa Bringle opened the discussion stating that Alison Hauser is unavailable to discuss Data Analytics today but the State is meeting regularly for data analytics with the focus to get services on an even playing field and similar across the State.

EBP workgroups have all made final recommendations to the committee and making more recommendations to the State to finalize EBP and what is needed. We had a meeting with the Center of Excellence to talk about the Region, with the focus on ACT-supportive housing and supportive employment, may look at training and technical assistance from them, no real specifics.

5. Children's System Updates – Children's Provider Reps/AEA

Kim Keleher discussed the Crittenton Center has been very busy with emergency shelter, averaging 18 beds in April and 14 kids in June. All kids have significant mental health issues with some waiting for placement out of state; some have been found foster families, however, two placements have been disrupted and the kids came back; one kid went to MHI and is now coming back; some have been here since January because there is really no place in the state to go besides us. We receive referrals from DHS, court and law enforcement. Meetings with the courts, regions and DHS have been put on a pause but looking to put those back in place. We are wanting to build tiny homes in Sioux City for clients ages 16-21, starting that process with an architect. Kim asked if any providers are looking to do crisis stabilization for kids. Nicolle Eaton responds that outside of residential they have not looked into that as they are limited on age and would need a whole new facility. Melissa Drey states they have nothing in the works to serve the children at the moment. Kim states they are very appreciative of financial support for staff training.

6. Provider Updates?

Nicolle Eaton discussed they will be communicating a formal referral process for sub-acute and Access Center, a hospital would be a referral component like any other referral. Law enforcement would need to do an evaluation on-site then make a decision.

It won't be a "drop and go" situation, there must be a component in place to make sure we aren't running the client all over, leaving mobile crisis as the best component. Outpatient will be similar, taking referrals as we've always done. The ability to zoom for Mobile Crisis is always available. If they are in the ER they have passed our care and would need a doctor's referral. We have a form we can send to you to fill out for referrals.

Maggie states that for BVRMC the physicians want to speak to someone who is license, they will not take recommendations from someone who is not licensed, i.e. a social worker, ARNP, etc. Nicolle Eaton states they can't guarantee that would be the case.

Lisa Bringle states to send the referral form to Dawn Mentzer and she can send those out to everyone.

Nicolle Eaton states we are waiting on licensure from DIA, with may cause a delay on the July 1st opening.

7. Next Meeting: TBD

TENTATIVELY the last Monday in July, Dawn will let us know.