



# Rolling Hills

## Community Services Region

Buena Vista \* Calhoun \* Carroll \* Cherokee \* Crawford \* Humboldt \* Ida \*  
Pocahontas \* Sac \* Woodbury

Regional Adult / Children Advisory Board Minutes

Meeting will be held via Zoom

Monday, April 22, 2024

1:00 p.m.

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

Dawn Mentzer, CEO; Kelsey Allen, Administrative Assistant; Theresa Jochum, Caylyn Bishop, Lisa Bringle, Coordinators; Kim Keleher, Ashley Miller, Tracy Delao, PAMHC; Clay Adams, Deidra Brown, Wesco; Nicolle Eaton, Sheila Martin, Jessi Maxwell, SMHC; Teresa Magnussen, Anita Schlender, Imagine the Possibilities; Kathy Fritz, Robert Fritz, Juvenile Court Services; Karla Manternach, Counseling Services, LLC; Darci Peterson, Stewart Memorial; Jenna Brown, New Hope Village; Becky Shelton, ITP; Cindy Wilde, Goodwill; Chad Jensen, New Opportunities; Kevin Grieme, Siouxland District Health; Mindi Rotert, St. Anthony's; Todd Lange, Amerigroup; Annette Koster, Early Childhood.

### 2. Crisis Services Update – Ashley Miller & Nicolle Eaton

Ashley Miller shared they are staying consistent with referrals including 26 in February, 25 in March, and 19 for April currently, along with averaging 150 calls per month. The crisis directors met with HMA in February about mobile crisis and where the State is moving, it went well and felt heard. Turning Point is still looking to hire more staff.

Nicolle Eaton shared they are averaging 36 calls per month, 30 individuals for crisis stabilization and 23-hour observation, and are seeing a 62% success rate with court orders. They continue to grow the subacute program and are noticing that a seven-to-ten-day timeframe is not a typical stay time and generally takes closer to 30 days. They have been working with Stepping Stones frequently and are finding that many clients may need subacute prior to attending Stepping Stones. Nicolle would like to give special thanks to Caylyn Bishop for helping with many clients and referrals who are appropriate.

### 3. Cherokee Regional Medical Center Training Request

Dawn Mentzer shared the request of \$93,750.00 for aggressive behavior training for the Cherokee

Regional Medical Center. This is not only for mental health needs but all other individuals. Sheila Martin, Kim Keleher, and Darci Peterson expressed their support to deny this request due to the amount, this would not be focused on mental health, and they do not want to open the door for other hospitals to request such funds. Kim Keleher will present documentation for this denial to the Governance Board.

#### **4. Governor's Behavioral Health Alignment Legislation Discussion**

Kim Keleher stated the bill has passed the House and Senate and is currently on the way to the Governor. Dawn previously sent out a timeline, which may or may not be accelerated, as soon as the Governor signs it goes into effect immediately. The transition plan will be released on July 1, 2024, then September 30, 2024, they will release the RFP for ASO's and then select the ASO's by December 31, 2024. House language has added back in the CMHC.

Dawn Mentzer stated the House language had included for-profits able to apply for the ASO but that has now been eliminated and must be a non-profit. Rolling Hills has been approached by other regions looking to bid for a district, however, until we have more information we are at a standstill.

#### **5. Provider Updates?**

Sheila Martin shared that SMHC will be opening a location in Nebraska next week with the open house this Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. 909 West 21<sup>st</sup> St., South Sioux City, NE.

Deidra Brown shared that Wesco is currently full with 13 on the waiting list. Normally, they would only serve seven but are currently serving nine.

Kim Keleher shared that the CCBHC was selected as a demonstration for the State, now waiting for the Feds to approve Iowa for the grant in June. The new Behavioral Health System makes it hard to budget, there are currently three different scenarios and the final budget will have to be decided once more information is released. PAMHC has hired several therapist but still needs six more.

#### **6. Next Meeting: May 20, 2024 1:00**