

Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, September 9th
Zoom Only
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Advisory Committee Minutes

- Welcome/Introductions-

Attending: M. Loehr- CCNIA CEO, J. Dykshoorn- CCNIA Client and Finance Director, S. Rustad- CCNIA Administrative Assistant, A. Miller- CCNIA Service Coordinator, Barry Anderson- Board Chair, Michaela Simmons- Hope Haven, Jayson VandeHoef- Osceola County Board Supervisor.

- Coordinator Updates – Jenn Dykshoorn and Anna Miller

Miller:

Reports an increase in referrals.

Kossuth Mental Health Task Force is meeting again.

Algona safety night out is Thursday, 5:00 to 8:00 at the fairgrounds. Dykshoorn and Miller will be there.

Worth County prevention and Substance Abuse group meet at Diamond Jo's monthly.

DHS and Ruth Melby are at the public health building.

Christoffel via Dykshoorn:

Christoffel spent a lot of time getting resources and awareness out at the shelter following the flood.

Seeing an increase in court committals.

Voc. Rehab partnership at the schools for waiver and discharge planning discussions.

Dykshoorn:

Working on contract rate changes.

Participated in CSN alert rewrite.

Data analytics committee- asks users to use spreadsheets to track outcomes.

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July 1st, 3 new services added to spreadsheets: Subacute, Access Center Intake and Assessment, IRSH.

Eastern 3 counties- working with NIACOG for transportation for clients to have greater access to mental health and disability services.

Embrace Health therapy services for inmates, working on establishing smooth access.

40 Hour CIT is December 9-13, 2024 at the Palo Alto Law Enforcement Center. Registration has gone out, and is due November 1st. A maximum of 20 law enforcement officers are accepted.

- **Regional Updates- Melissa Loehr/ Jenn Dykshoorn**

Loehr:

There were 80 plus participants from 50 plus groups at the community flood meetings.

Mobile Crisis served the community with flood stress. Seasons was available to the public.

The community is in the long-term recovery phase of the flood. There has been strategic, broad, and specific planning.

Seasons is seeing use of services post-flood.

Pride Group and Avera contracts are pending.

Avera physicians are not wanting to testify. CCNIA continues to work with them to find a work-around.

Avera billing by code / diagnosis. They want to guarantee region will pay if the patient has extended stay.

Fiscal Agent, Carmen Moser, is resigning from Fiscal duties at the end of FY 25. Loehr is looking at possibilities for replacing her.

The new Mental Health District map has been issued. Letters of intent to apply for ASO are due 9/18/24.

ASOs should be awarded by December 31, 2024.

Seasons Center is getting ready to open the Crisis Center by the end of October. They are waiting on 1 more hire / employee.

FY 24 Mobile Crisis usage and data charts were reviewed.

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- Legislation- Behavioral Health Redesign Conversation
- FY 24 Budget Update- Jenn Dykshoorn
- FY 25 Budget - Melissa Loehr
- Agency Updates/ Information Sharing

M. Simmons:

Jodi Sears is going to Northwestern.

There is a new Mental Health manager based in Spencer

IPR is going in Spirit Lake

86 people that were affected by the flood are getting services

Hope Have is now located at Sunshine. They are not going back to Grand.

B. Anderson:

Continued work on County buildings and equipment.

Clay County is working with insurance and FEMA.

No other comments.

- Next Meeting- December 2nd or 16th? (December 9th, CIT Training)
- Adjourned at 4:30pm.

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