

## Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2020, 5:00 pm

Howard County Health Department (HCHD), WebEx Platform

**Present:** Michele Brown, Julie Cleveland, Janet Edelman, Jim Filipczak, Bruce MacDonald, Joan Webb Scornaienchi, Lisa Davis, Genny LaPorte, Cindy Johnson, John Way, Robert Ehrhardt, Cindy Kirk, Mike Demidenko, Brook Hubbard

**Excused:** Timothy Madden, Mark Donovan

**Unexcused:** Jaqueline Scott, Jack Kavanagh, William Tucker, Hilari Young, Stephen Foster

**Staff:** Tia Gaymon, Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy, Shereen Cabrera-Bentley

**Guests:** Ayesha Holmes

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	Meeting began at 5:02pm	
<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	Motion to approve Agenda for September 9, 2020	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Motion to approve August 12, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
<b>Attendance Review</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Timothy Madden and Mark Donovan contacted Tia prior to the meeting regarding their absence.</li> </ul>	
<b>LBHA Director Updates</b>	<p>Roe reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reminded Board members that they will be reimbursed by the Board if they want to attend <a href="#">NAMI's Virtual Annual Conference</a> on 10-16-20.</li> <li>September is National Recovery Month and National Suicide Month. Bureau of Behavioral Health (BBH) working on National Recovery campaigns.</li> <li>BBH is working on the following campaigns for the month of September that will be marketed via social media: Peer Support, Fentanyl Awareness, Mental Health Awareness and Youth Suicide Prevention.</li> <li>BBH has been tracking the non-fatal and fatal opioid overdose rates comparing calendar years 2019 to 2020.</li> </ul>	
<b>Program Development Committee Updates</b>	Cindy K. reported that the 5 profiles for services for behavioral health are completed and will be shared with the Board next month.	
<b>Board Development Committee Updates</b>	Michele reported that new Board members will have a point of contact and/or mentor who will review bylaws, Board member responsibilities and the Board Handbook with them.	

<b>Strategic Development Committee Updates</b>	No updates but Roe gave an overview of when assessments, budgets and strategic plans have been due in the past.	Action Item: A meeting will be scheduled when the assessment instructions are sent from Behavioral Health Administration.
<b>Proposal Review Committee Updates</b>	No updates	Action Item: Tia will schedule a meeting with the committee and Roe to discuss the committee and proposal process.
<b>Critical Indicator Committee Updates</b>	Jim reported that the committee working with board members and others to gather information regarding critical indicators within various settings such as hospitals, school systems and service providers.	
<b>Chairperson Updates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to approve changes in Committee Membership</li> <li>• Board Handbook is completed</li> <li>• 7 Ex-Officios have been scheduled to present at future Board meetings starting 10/14/20. Each presentation will include a set of questions drafted by Janet.</li> <li>• Janet spoke with Emily Greenberger, chair of the Board of Health (BoH) Mental Health Committee, to identify if there were areas where LBHA and Board of Health could work together. The BoH is concentrating on health equity and COVID-19. Janet sent Emily information on the Program Development and Critical Indicator Committees.</li> <li>• Janet and Jack hosted a meeting regarding the Stepping Up Initiative. The next step includes having a speaker present from the National Association of Counties to Howard County Criminal Justice Partnership Committee and the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Steering Committee.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.</li> <li>• Action Item: Tia will email the Board a PDF version of Board Handbook.</li> <li>• Action Item: Tia will email the Board the Ex-Officio presentation schedule and questions.</li> </ul>
<b>Announcements</b>	John shared that a Veteran Support Group will begin on 10/5/20 and held monthly every 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday. The group is in search of a licensed clinician to volunteer and assist with managing the meetings:	Action Item: John will email Tia the support group flyer to include in the Behavioral Health newsletter.
<b>Adjournment</b>	The meeting adjourned at 5:50pm	

**Next Meeting Dates: October 14, 2020, November 18, 2020, December 9, 2020**