

West Virginia Behavioral Health Planning Council
16 July 2020
Zoom Meeting

Attendance

Cathy Reed, Phil Reed, Ardella Cottrill, James Ruckle, Tammy Ketchum, Joyce Floyd, Vanessa Vangilder, Rich Ward, J.K. McAtee, Nancy Deming, Heather Hoelscher, Deanna Thomas, Cathy Capps-Amburgey, Jason Parmer, Martha Minter, Mark Drennan, JoAnna Vance, Donna Moss, Linda Pauley

Excused: Patrick Tenney, Holly Crookshanks, Aaron Morris, Linda Pauley, Bob Musick, Jason Malgeri, Ryan Jeffrey,

Election of Officers Nominating Slate

Chair: Joyce Floyd

Vice Chair: Vanessa Vangilder

Treasurer: J.K. McAtee

Secretary: Ardella Cottrill

Member at Large: Patrick Tenney, Holly Crookshanks, Linda Pauley

Past Chair: Cathy Reed

Will take nominations from floor:

Deanna Thomas (Member at Large)

Heather Hoelscher

April 2020 Minutes

Minutes were sent out

Joyce Floyd made motion to accept, Deanna Thomas seconded it; All in favor

Telehealth Throughout WV

Mark Drennan gave us an overview about how telehealth is going throughout WV, great discussion followed:

Benefits:

WV Behavioral Health Providers Association has been meeting online for many years.

Some Benefits are Rural Areas are being served via telehealth

Ability for office to home or smartphone, Can Pick up on Non Verbal

Participation is Up as report by staff, and staff likes it

Provider association members have benefitted from PPE Money Concerns

Concerns:

Staffing has been an issue especially with the extra \$600 unemployment

Medicare Issues; working on some changes especially for billing

Might have to fend off out of state interests

Broadband Issues and expanded telephone health

Question: about Reimbursement for peer support for reimbursement rates for livable wages

Westbrook and FMRS has been awarded grants and they have developed a prospective payment model to be paid more for services for employees and increased scope of work;

Legislation for working on Loan forgiveness

Question: How are people doing telehealth in rural areas with no internet?
Telephone comes into place, crisis units were running,

Ardella shared a story about a family trying to do a commitment on a young man, and the family was told the nearest facility was in Kentucky. She shared the info with Mark Drennan and Nancy Deming.

Valley Telehealth is great; so clients do not have that capability or don't want to; clients come into agency and do it. It has decreased no shows; client have to choose
Mark Drennan is involved in a meeting today with Senator Manchin. Surveyed Members to take info to this meeting.

It would be nice if transportation (Logistcare) leaves them, then it would be nice by telehealth by phone. The barrier could be the person is not set up for telehealth.
Telehealth has been used from office to office

Some of the MCO's are limiting resources in various ways; one company limits recovery coaches to 100 hours.

WVSC ADA Celebration:

We have been invited to help co-sponsor the WV ADA 30 year celebration with West Virginia Statewide Independent Living Center via Zoom on July 27, 2020 at 11:00 am.
West Virginia Behavioral Health Planning Council name will be on the information.

Deanna Thomas made a motion and Donna Moss seconded it; All in favor.

Disability Rights of WV- Jason Parmer

Meeting of the Parties with Hartley case scheduled at the end of July 2020.

Workgroup HB 4009- Purpose is to reform the forensic process; looking to change Chapter 27 Article A

HB Resolution 133- Position statement from WV Disability Rights and the due process, minimum requirements.

Psychiatric Emergencies in the emergency room is concerning but the bill on due process
Mental Hygiene Commission Training is being discussed and some changes have occurred.

Division of Rehab- Richard Ward

Waitlist- still operating order of selection, has cleared that waitlist frequently.

Pilot Project- Center for Psychiatric with Boston University

First project was 16 online training modules

2nd part working with Comprehensive Centers 1 or more to improve collaboration between Comprehensives and DRS.

Hired a new employment manager; who supervises employment specialists across the state, and this manager is interested in getting the specialists training in Behavioral Health so they can help those clients with employment.

Pre Ets will be virtually this year due to Covid-19 and has approved about 600 services such as pre employment services, project search, pre employment services for visual impairments or hard of hearing.

Transitional Youth Survey-25% reported Behavioral Health as their primary disabilities (Youth)

Increase in overall satisfaction

Re-Entry Council meetings going on across the state about 14 of them. Increased participation due to Zoom which will help DRS to serve clients.

Self-Advocacy programs are still going on.

Legal Aid- Tammy Ketchem

Working remotely, and trying to meet needs of clients

Legal Aid has the fast program, contact the Fast Advocates who attend IEP meetings.

Cathay Caps-Amburgey

Training Coordinator with Bureau, had training with Richard Rossem on Methadone

Training with Lewis Baxter, on Detox

MSPCAN- Donna Moss

Working remotely, caution at the office

Working thru Zoom, emails, phone calls etc

Crisis has been going on by children, anxiety is up,

Families conference has been cancelled for 2020

MSPCAN will be helping with IEPs with parents etc, support system for families.

Training on Zoom for families. Lunch and learn once a month.

Valley- Nancy Deming

Still giving services, had to delay DUI Services but started doing by Zoom

Keep up numbers in residential homes; telehealth for medical

No show rates are down,

TBI- Vanessa Vangilder

Finished up fiscal year June 2020

Took in 100 TBI Clients

Talking to them on phone or via Zoom

Started to transition back into offices, and some travel.

Available to do presentations, on TBI, or variety of subjects.

CED is the main sponsor on the Mountain State Disabilities (Scheduled now in Sept 2020)

Olmstead Update- Ardella Cottrill, Joyce Floyd

Has been meeting and home health providers, individuals or family members with disability.

Sent in State Report and waiting on feedback from the Governor's office.

WVSILC- Ardella Cottrill

Submitted their new plan

Working on ADA Celebration

West Virginia Leadership Academy- Ardella Cottrill

Going virtual, will accept up to 25-30 in July 29-30, 2020 from 9-5 pm

Materials will be emailed and after completing the manual will be mailed to them.

Rich Ward is looking for Recovery Coach training.

WV Recovers- J.K. McAtee

Holding Peer Summit 3 virtually dates are August 28-29, 2020, CEU's for PRSS

Been invited to present to birth to 3, about how a recovery coach can help.

WVPTI- Brenda Lampkin

-WVPTI has been working remotely, and busy.

-Parent Engagement Specialist helping families with virtual meetings, distance learning etc.

-Using a data collection form to help track regression or progression.

-WVPTI is not back in schools yet, partnered with Dept of Education, WV Council of Exceptional Children to get information out to families.

-Virtual Learning- Each county has flexibility. Will make modifications and have IEP services

-Partnered with Marshall University to have a virtual panel, Coffee and Conversation with focus on children with Autism, Increased behaviors, return to school

Need more resources for families and what it looks like.

Children's Committee- Brenda Lampkin

April 2014- US Dept of Justice initiated an investigation in WV regarding mental health services for children.

June 1, 2015- US notified WV of its conclusion that WV does not comply with title II of the ADA due to an insufficient system of services for children with significant mental health conditions as interpreted in the Olmstead case.

May 14, 2019- WV entered an agreement with the US to address the allegations regarding the state's service system for children with serious mental health conditions by DHHR. The US recognized the current reform efforts underway in WV and the Agreement reflects DHHR's commitment to improving WV children's mental health system to ensure that children can receive mental health services in their homes and communities.

Pursuant to the Agreement requirements, WV must develop an Implementation Plan (the Plan) that describes the actions DHHR, in cooperation with the Dept of Education (DOE) and Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety (DMAPS), will take to ensure that

programs memorialized in the Agreement are sustainable, statewide, and accessible to children in the target population, as defined in Section 3. The Plan describes West Virginia's efforts to uphold its obligations by outlining the steps to realize each program in the Agreement.

West Virginia Wraparound
Children's MOBILE Crisis Response
Therapeutic Foster Family Care
Positive Behavioral Support
Assertive Community Treatments (ACT)
Mental Health Screening Tools and Processes
Evaluation, Quality Assurance, and Performance Improvement
Outreach and Education to Stakeholders
Workforce Development and Provider Capacity.

The Bureau for Behavioral Health (BBH) received a federal system of Care (SOC) Grant through SAMSHA to strengthen the state's continuum of care for children and youths with serious emotional disturbance (SED) or serious mental illness (SMI) and their families. This new SOC grant includes funding to evaluate the state's services for children, youth, and families with help from West Virginia University and ICF. For more information see: <https://wvsystemofcare.org/>

Wraparound is a process of supporting children and families to make plans to stay in their homes and communities and reach their hopes and dreams. For more info: Tahnee Bryant of the WV Bureau for Behavioral Health and Health Facilities at 1-304-356-4820 or Tahnee.I.Bryant@wv.gov

Children's Mobile Response and Stabilization Teams help children and youth who are experiencing emotional or behavioral crises by interrupting the immediate crisis and ensuring youth and their families in crisis are safe and supported; To access this service please contact 1-844-HELP4WV or agencies crisis line: United Summit Center 1-844-WVKIDS-1 or FRMS 304-356-7100

BBH's Synar Underage tobacco survey and merchant education programs have been approved to restart this summer after a delay due to issues related to COVID-19

WV has five family treatment courts, Boone, Nicholas, Ohio, Randolph and Roane counties to serve individuals with substance use disorders who are also involved in a child abuse and neglect case.

Info asked about the Foster care Reform bill that passed

Bylaw Committee- Ardella Cottrill

Ardella Cottrill, Linda Pauley, Patrick Tenney, Phil Reed, Joyce Floyd,

Community Forums :Cathy Reed and Martha Minter

WVU received a grant to do public forums on Behavioral Health.

Many from the provider community.

6 Public Forums

1 forums that were via invite with lived experience

Still in grant phase and if WV is selected for a Center of Excellence in Behavioral Health

it has a potential to bring in \$8.8

45 from Kanawha County, 16 Marion, 25 Cabell, 26 Wood and 23 Roane

There were 47% Rural, 39% Youth, 14% Pregnant/Postpartum group

Lived Experience: 64% Yes, 36% No

Interest: 14% Mental Health, 11% Substance Use and 81% Both

Insurance: 64% Public (Medicaid etc) and 23% (Bluecross or private)

Access: 81% somewhat difficult, 25% Most Difficult

Services: 72% Somewhat difficult 32% Most Difficult

Great Discussion about the public forums

Election Results:

Chair- Joyce Floyd - All in favor,

Vice Chair- Vanessa Vangilder All in favor

Secretary- Ardella Cottrill- All in favor

Treasurer- J.K. McAtee- All in favor

Due to 5 nominations total, we had members vote in chat for the three they wanted as member at large and the winners were

Member at Large: Patrick Tenney, Heather Hoelscher, Linda Pauley,

Recovery Advocacy Project: Presentation: JoAnna Vance

<https://www.recoveryvoices.com/recovery-month/>

Great Discussion followed

Meeting Adjourned