GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO Executive Committee Meeting – MINUTES

AUGUST 5, 2021 - 9:00 A.M. - GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON - KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

ATTENDANCE: CHARLES AMEREIN; BRAD PECK; CHRIS SEUBERT; CICILY ZORNES; CINDY ADAMS; CODY NESBITT; CONNIE MOM-CHING; DIANE HALO; DIMITA WARREN; GORDON CABLE; JENNIFER DANIEL; JENNIFER MAYBERRY; QUINN BELL; JODI DALY; JIM NELSON; JOEL CHAVEZ; KAREN RICHARDSON; KYLE SULLIVAN; LADON LINDE; MIKE BERNEY; SINDI SAUNDERS; SHEREL WEBB

#	Item/Folder	TYPE	Description	Discussion Leader	ACTION
1.	Call to Order		Commissioner Amerein called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.	Charles Amerein	
2.	Introductions		Sherel called roll.	Charles Amerein	
3.	Agenda Changes		None.	Charles Amerein	
4.	Previous Executive Committee Minutes	ACTION	Approve July 1, 2021 Executive Committee Minutes	Charles Amerein	Mike Berney moved to accept the July 1, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting minutes as submitted; LaDon Linde seconded; motion passed.
5.	Warrants/ Vouchers	ACTION	ASO –Warrants and Vouchers: June 30, 2021 with Accrued as of July 19, 2021 Brad Peck had a question about ProtoCall numbers addressed under Crisis Reports. July 31, 2021 Warrants and Vouchers	Charles Amerein	Brad Peck moved to approve both the June 30, 2021 (accrued as of July 19, 2021) in the amount of \$2,733,916.56 and the July 31, 2021 in the amount of \$993,955.11; Jodi Daly seconded; motion passed.
6.	ASO Updates		 Fiscal & Administrative Updates – Karen Richardson 1. IT Update: We are receiving and processing data while continuing to fine-tune the Raintree system. 2. Financials as of June 30, 2021: Pending. (Balance Sheet, Cumulative Income/Expenditure Worksheet, and 2020 Inpatient Pending Liabilities, ITA Court Costs) Karen asked if there were any questions or comments on the June 30, 2021 Balance Sheet and July 31, 2021 		•

Balance Sheets sent in advance for review. There were none.

Karen called attention to the fact that we did not receive the July funding that included the 2% increase until July 28, 2021; however Karen did send out July's funding without the increase, which will be added to the August payment. Karen noted we do not know if the MCO's will be passing their 2% increase on to the providers directly or through us. There were no other questions or comments.

Karen introduced Cameron Fordmeir recently hired as our new SUD Program specialist. She also announced we have hired for the FYSPRT Coordinator position, however that person will not start until September 7th. We are in the process of finalizing the job description for the Housing Rental Assistance program, and will be reaching out to the Personnel Committee for a meeting sometime in mid-August in order to take the information back to the Executive Committee at September's meeting.

Clinical, QM, Compliance & State Meetings Update – Sindi Saunders

Sindi noted the four priorities being addressed at the State and local levels: more standardization of ITA court costs; the 988 implementation; the workforce shortage challenge; and the implementation of House Bill 1310. Sindi noted that one of the biggest issues with HB 1310 is confusion about how to interpret the language.

3. HCA/MCO/ASO Updates: Sindi included the lengthy Use of Force PowerPoint presentation in the packet for your information. This is the training that was developed for all new law enforcement recruits and will be sent out across the State to all law enforcement agencies. Sindi noted it is not mandatory, and that the agencies are free to do what they feel is best for their community. But this reflects the standards throughout the State.

There was considerable discussion, including the pros and cons of the ASO actively campaigning against the bill with the general consensus being we, as an administrative office, are not suited to the politics and it could have some unintended consequences. It was noted the Washington State Council is actively looking for solutions and the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs may be the best organization to support.

		Sindi noted due to HB1310 our main ambulance/ transportation service, AMR, has instituted a protocol that they will not transport mental health patients without 4-point restraints and will they will only apply those restraints with law enforcement present. Other issues discussed included HB 1348 legislation allowing for a 29-day delay for incarcerated losing their Medicaid services so they can continue to get their meds while in jail; additional Covid funding, how good the budget forecast is looking with no decline in State revenues; the legislative steering committee meeting coming up on September 16 th . If you have not received an invitation, Sindi can forward you one and if you have anything for their agenda, please get them to Sindi or Juliana Rowe as soon as possible. 4. Crisis Reports: Sindi addressed Commissioner Peck's questions about the		
		ProtoCall's numbers, noting three of our providers also use ProtoCall, while the other two providers use their own. In the reports one set of numbers combines all of ProtoCalls numbers, while the other set does them individually. Commissioner Peck recommended making a note of that, perhaps as a footnote, on that particular report. Sindi reviewed the report, noting that our providers and the DCR's are doing a fantastic job. 5. State Updates: Discussed above. 6. Compliance Issues: Sindi noted there were no compliance issues reported.		
7.	Legal Updates	Quinn reported there are no action items or legal updates at this time. He is settling in to his new position and would welcome any questions you may have.	Quinn Bell	
8.	Committee Reports/Info	 Clinical Crisis Providers Committee (Dimita Warren) July, 15, 2021 Dimita reported the committee met briefly in July. Topics discussed included the new peer counseling requirement that peer counselors must not only have an agency affiliation but be working for an agency, the MCOs use of crisis logs, and considerable discussion about HB 1310. The concept of sharing traveling DCRs was mentioned as a possible stop-gap solution to the DCR workforce shortage issue. QMOC Committee (Sindi Saunders) July 26, 2021 Sindi reviewed the purpose of the QMOC Committee to monitor contractual obligations on a monthly basis to ensure compliance. She reported we are 100% compliant in 	questions	

9.	Public Comments	meeting standards. There were no further questions or comments. 3. Finance & Fiscal Operations (FFOC) (Mike Berney) No meeting. 4. MIS Committee (Dimita Warren) No meeting 5. BHAB No Meeting Diane Halo reported on their successful participation in the BH 1504 preceptor internship program they helped develop. She discussed the funding, noting that they will be offering 8 organizations \$50,000 for precepting the BH Internship programs.
10.	Other Business	None.
11.	Executive Session	None needed.
12.	Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 9:57