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

SEPTEMBER 2, 2021 - 9:00 A.M. - GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON - KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

ATTENDANCE: CHARLES AMEREIN; BRAD PECK; CHRIS SEUBERT; CHUCK WHITMAN; CICILY ZORNES; CINDY ADAMS; CODY NESBITT; DIANA HALO; DIMITA WARREN; GLENN LIPPMAN; JENNIFER DANIEL; JENNIFER MAYBERRY; JIM NELSON; JODY DALY; JOEL CHAVEZ; KAREN RICHARDSON; KYLE SULLIVAN; LADON LINDE; MIKE BERNEY; QUINN BELL; SHON SMALL; SINDI SAUNDERS; CAROL MOSER; SHEREL WEBB

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1.	Call to Order		Commissioner Amerein called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.	Charles Amerein	
2.	Introductions		Roll was called.	Charles Amerein	
3.	Agenda Changes		None.	Charles Amerein	
4.	Previous Executive Committee Minutes	ACTION	Approve August 5, 2021 Executive Committee Minutes	Charles Amerein	Shon Small moved to accept the August 5, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting minutes as submitted; Mike Berney seconded; motion passed.
5.	Warrants/ Vouchers	ACTION	ASO –Warrants and Vouchers: August 31, 2021 Warrants and Vouchers: \$1,738,629.01	Charles Amerein	Brad Peck moved to approve the August 31, 2021 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount as presented in the record by staff, \$1,738,629.01; Shon Small seconded; motion passed.
6.	ASO Updates		 Fiscal & Administrative Updates – Karen Richardson IT Update: Although there are still a few bugs being worked out on Raintree, the ASO has been receiving data from providers and passing it on to the HCA. Financials as of August 31, 2021: Pending. (Balance Sheet, Cumulative Income/Expenditure Worksheet, and 2020 Inpatient Pending Liabilities, ITA Court Costs) With only two days between the end of the month and the Executive Committee meeting, there were no financials. 		

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		ACTION	3. CBHE Funds (Formerly 6032 Enhancement Funds) CBHEF Correspondence and Allocations Karen explained this correspondence is a contract requirement in order to release the funds from the CBHE out to providers. The focus of CBHE funds, formerly known as the 6032 Enhancement Funds, was previously decided by providers to be used for recruitment and retention and has not been changed. Clinical, QM, Compliance & State Meetings Update – Sindi Saunders 3. HCA/MCO/ASO Updates: Reviewed the audits that have taken place recently. 4. Crisis Reports: Sindi reviewed the July 2021 Crisis Reports in detail, noting there were no particular spikes or anomalies. She reported that while there are some outliers, our DCR Response time has only increased on average by 3 minutes remaining under an hour at 46 minutes. Other ASOs are taking as much as 6 hours. Our region is in 100% compliance with these timelines. State Updates: Sindi reported the ASOs have continued working on legislative priorities for 2022, which include the workforce shortage and ITA Court costs. Sindi is involved in two workgroups; one for a Statewide bed registry and the other to identify region and county specific issues and standardize reporting those issues to the State. Sindi also reported receiving the second largest portion of the \$25 million for all ASOs of \$4.3 million second only to King County. This is unprecedented. The next largest allocation was \$2 million. Sindi also reported on the new Navigator program, noting Cameron has been busy reaching out to the community and developing a team. Sindi noted that while our region has been struggling with 1310 issues, there have been none of the drastic situations other ASOs have. Our officers are responding to calls and assist, although what they can do is limited due to 1310. 6. Compliance Issues: Sindi reported there have been no compliance issues: She also reported on a letter received from DSHS that we are required to follow vaccination mandates, and that GCBH is in the process of collecting do		Chris Seubert moved to approve the correspondence to HCA per contract requirements enabling release of funds to providers; Shon Small seconded; motion passed.
7.	Legal Updates	ACTION	Personnel Committee Quinn reported that the Personnel Committee met on August	Quinn Bell	Shon Small moved to approve the Housing
			17, 2021 to discuss the proposed position of housing specialist		and Supportive

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			being created to assist vulnerable population to become more stable in their community. The job description and advertisement was reviewed by the Personnel Committee, who is recommending the Executive Committee's approval. After a brief discussion including suggestions by Commissioner Peck, there were no further questions.		Program Specialist job description and advertisement as presented; LaDon Linde seconded; motion passed.
			The Governor's recent vaccine mandates and how they apply to GCBH was discussed at length.		
8.	Committee Reports/Info	ACTION	 Clinical Crisis Providers Committee (Dimita Warren) August 19, 2021—Dimita noted that law enforcement issues have not been a problem, but may start to affect the providers. Block grant funding increase was discussed and will come before the Executive Committee later. Providers were informed that as of next year, all providers will be required to consult with a certified peer counselor who is working at an agency. Dimita noted the policy QM506: Preparedness and Responding to Disasters was reviewed. It has been updated with all the required terminology. The CCP committee recommends approval to the Executive Committee. There were no further questions or concerns. QMOC Committee (Sindi Saunders) August 16, 2021 Sindi gave a brief report on the QMOC meeting on August 16, noting the committee reviewed time lines, the Ombuds report, crisis reports, authorization timelines, customer service, and any gaps in care coordination activities. She noted no denials of services last month. In short, GCBH is continuing to meet all standards and time frames. Finance & Fiscal Operations (FFOC) (Mike Berney) August 26, 2021 Mike reported on Karen's review of both the monthly financial and annual financial statements. He noted the majority of the meeting was spent discussing the new Trump block grant funds, including review of a number of proposals for using the funding. The FFOC recommended the BHAB Committee's approval who will meet later this month and forward it to the Executive Committee in October. MIS Committee (Dimita Warren) August 17, 2021 Data changes were discussed at the meeting, noting providers were reminded to send investigation data within 24 business hours. BHAB Sherel noted a BHAB meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 28, 2021. 	Various	Jim Nelson moved to approve QM506: Preparedness and Responding to Disasters as presented; Mike Berney seconded; motion passed.
9.	Public Comments		None.		

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10.	Other Business		Commissioner Small shared the possibility of Benton County purchasing the old Trios building to convert to a multi-usage facility for co-occurring issues.		
11.	Executive Session		None.		
12.	Adjournment		The meeting was adjourned at 10:51 a.m.		