

CommUNITY Adult Mental Health Initiative
Advisory Committee
 June 6, 2019

Voting Members Present: 12
 Quorum Required: 10

Representative	“X” = Present	Stakeholder	Alternate	“X” = Present
Shoberg, Sandi	X	Benton County	Koscielniak, Peggy	
Hagfors, Marsha		Benton County Community Advocate	(Vacant)	
Kelly, James – Chair	X	CBHH	Gribas, Steve	
Krupa, Jamie		CSP – Stearns/Benton	Sheehan, Meg	X
(Vacant)		CSP – Sherburne/Wright	(Vacant)	
Hinz, Tracy	X	MHC – Sherburne/Wright	Bills, Alyshia	X
Lee, Dr. Richard		MHC – Stearns/Benton	Rocheleau Dorholt, Jennifer	
Wilkus, Maureen	X	Sherburne County	(Vacant)	
Aaron, Denise		Sherburne County Community	(Vacant)	
Bershok, Joel		St. Cloud Hospital	Blonigen-Heinen, Patty	
Ellis, Julie	X	Stearns County	Bosl, Chad	X
Long, Lori	X	Stearns County Community Advocate	Brown, Polly	
Pine, Mary Jo – Vice Chair	X	VA Medical Center	Hovland, Voni	
Eich, Krissy	X	Vocational Sherburne/Wright	Jo Tornell	X
Danda, Julie	X	Vocational Stearns/Benton	Gaed, Maureen	
Grand, Jill	X	VRS – Sherburne/Wright	Krukenberg, Hillary	
Wittrock, Skip	X	VRS – Stearns/Benton	Othwaite, Jessica	
Erkens, Diane	X	Wright County	Pooler, Jill	
Knop-LaPlant, Sheila		Wright County Community Advocate	(Vacant)	

Ex- officio members		
Oberg, Bethany	X	Initiative Coordinator
Smith, Gloria	X	DHS

Other attendees		
DeMarais-Finke, Jackie		Buffalo Hospital
Dawson, Christine	X	CentraCare Monticello

CAMHI 2018 Mini Grants Updates:

- a. Great River Faith in Action – Darin Bohlken
Grant funds helped to repair the family-furniture delivery truck (breaks and tires). Current data was shared. GRFIA works with local churches as much as possible for volunteers – 110 regular volunteers plus over 200 seasonal volunteers. www.GRFIA.org
- b. Sherburne County Sheriff’s Department – Brian Frank
No on present to report

CentraCare Suicide Prevention Program: Lisa Bershok

CentraCare is piloting the Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale in the ER with plans to implement to the rest of the patients during intake. The Columbia rating scale has about six questions with a cascading triage regarding intensity of thoughts in the past 0-90 days. Responses are collected in a database. Lisa shared handouts with Minnesota suicide deaths by county of residence comparison 2016-2018. She will look for data on persons who received medical attention for “unsuccessful” attempts. Additional information regarding the Columbia Lighthouse Project is available at www.cssrs.columbia.edu

Tri-Cap’s Rebuilding Lives Program: Galuak Jiech

This is a new program at Tri-Cap for homemakers needing to return to employment due to lose of supporting income. The program serves eight counties with 94 people currently participating. Each person enrolled has a counselor assigned. www.tricap.org

CommUNITY Mental Health Initiative Committee and Grant Updates:

- a. Housing Coordination
Working on clearing the waiting list; 18 housing intakes April/May.
- b. Vocational Grant
No report.
- c. Vocational Peer Specialist
No report.
- d. Anti-Stigma Workgroup
Many events in rural areas such as 5K’s; will also have a table at Lake George events.
- e. Training Workgroup
Email Beth with ideas. CAMHI website calendar has events listed. Mary Jo suggested a presentation by Lisa Bershok regarding suicide data.
- f. Peer Socialization – Imagine Network
No updated information. Positive reviews from pass events.

Community Based Mental Health Services:

- a. V.A.
Their numbers were shared. As previously mentioned, they will be closing after-hours triage in June. Effective July 15th, the St. Cloud VA will be smoke-free. June 6th is the anniversary of the Mission Act. Mary Jo had three handouts on accessing health care through the VA: “Accessing & Managing Care at the St. Cloud VA HCS”, “Mental Health Recovery is Possible”, and “Health Care Options through VA”.
- b. IRTS: Northway
Data was shared. They are moving to a smoke-free facility except for residents. Recently, they have been having issues with PMAPs not extending the 90-days in program with a 30 day extension.

- c. ACT
The numbers for were shared. Their doctor is going on a ten-month sabbatical. The team participated in strategic planning meetings with DHS.
- d. Crisis Response Team
90% full – data was shared. Meeting with local county sheriff departments regarding crisis services. Sauk Rapids Elementary Schools are piloting the SAIL program.
- e. Crisis Bed Program
Report above.
- f. Inpatient –
 - i. St. Cloud Hospital
No one present to report.
 - ii. Buffalo Hospital.
No one present to report
 - iii. Monticello Hospital.
Reviewed data.
- g. CBHH
Across the state, all facilities are at capacity. Staff safety is being focused on locally as well as at the State which is doing a survey on safety. We are seeing an uptick in extremely violent clients. Breaking ground on 16 bed juvenile facility. Lack of available beds is huge problem.
- h. V.R.S.
Finished school year – number of students served has increased. Hiring rehab person. Increasing services to high school age. Struggling to meet needs of walk-in customers. Outreach event at St. Cloud Tech on June 11, 9:00-noon.
- i. Website
Check out the new stories, events on the calendar page, and uploaded flyers. Site stats were reviewed.

Open Forum:

Ben Byker, Central MN Council on Aging: grants are available (due 7/30) to assist agencies with in-home long-term care services. www.cmcoa.org

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Next meeting is August 1, 2019 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Stearns County Boardroom.