

Plumas County Behavioral Health Commission Meeting
7/3/2024 1 pm Plumas County Board of Supervisors' Room, Quincy, CA
Approved at August 8, 2024 meeting.

STANDING ORDERS

Call to Order / Roll Call

Call to Order: Kevin called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm.

Roll Call/Attendance:

Commissioners: Bill Cook, Kendrah Fredricksen, Kevin Goss, Megan McCrorey, Valerie Sheldon, Kristy Tucker (quorum established), Vicki Chestnut (arrived late)

Commissioners Absent: none

County/Contracted Staff (in-person or by Teleconference): Jay Hemphill, Jessica McGill, Kristy Pierson, Gary Sanderson, Sharon Sousa, Heidi White

County Counsel: N/A

Public in Attendance (in-person or by Teleconference): Denise Pyper

Pledge of Allegiance

Additions to or Deletions from the Agenda/Approval – *For urgent items only.* Valerie moved, Megan seconded to approve. Motion carried.

Public Comment – N/A

ACTION AGENDA

1. Behavioral Health Commission

- a. Review and approve draft minutes of June 5, 2024
 - i. Bill moved to approve the minutes and Megan seconded. Motion carried.
- b. Discuss and recommend new Commission members – no applications. Current openings are for an educational representative and a student. Other openings will be available at the end of terms in December 2024.
- c. Discuss “Clerk to the Commission” position – It does not appear that this is required position. (It was added at a time when there was no secretary to the commission to take minutes.) We will leave “Clerk to the Commission” at top of agenda in case it is needed in the future but will remove “The Clerk will not interpret any public comments for inclusion in the written public record.” Under “Reasonable Accommodations” we will change “clerk” to “chair.” Kendrah moved these changes. Kevin seconded. Motion carried.

2. Informational Announcements & Reports

- a. Commissioners Reports and Announcements
 - i. Chair (Kevin Goss) – N/A
 - ii. Secretary’s Report (Kendrah) – Attended meeting with Smithwaters (PRA) and Sharon (Smithwaters will provide a yearly report to the commission in the next couple of months); attended PCBH PIP meeting on Zoom.

- iii. Others – Megan McCrorey asked about Crisis Van (isn't this mandated?) – Sharon said the state has put this on hold. We do have 24/7 telehealth using non-PCBH providers. Sharon said we do not have the staff locally to provide 24/7 staff. Megan said that the other agencies are having to make up the difference. Sharon said recruiting is on hold until BoS approves job description changes. Megan was concerned about law enforcement responding to crisis episodes making it difficult to de-escalate. *Agendize for August meeting.*
- b. Presentation by PCBH contracted providers – N/A

3. Behavioral Health Department

- a. Director's Report (Sharon Sousa)
 - i. Medicare application – no new info received
 - ii. Telehealth – Dr. B came in person to meet staff and clients
 - iii. Smithwaters meeting – they will provide countywide training for staff on 5150s sometime this fall
 - iv. New driver hired (they now have 2), starting next week
 - v. Paige Connell is now an Intern, Malia Armitage – new practicum student working on her MA
 - vi. Budget hearings – thankfully, BH did not lose any positions
 - vii. SUD counselor positions have been approved by BoS
 - viii. The rewrite on BH job descriptions is in process with HR (re: care coordinator and therapists); Kevin will see if he can do anything to move this along.
 - ix. Mobile Crisis Unit – state department of Health Care services did not accept it – now on hold for implementation plan changes
 - x. After-hours provider is now Jackson and Coker (Seneca is part of this)
 - xi. The 5150 plan for the county is still being reviewed by County Counsel, hospitals, etc. (PCBH has to transport folks to psych units – no other county BH does this.)
 - xii. Housing for clients – BH meeting to be set up – let Sharon know if you'd like to be involved.
- b. Quality Assurance Improvement (Jessica McGill)
 - i. DHCS Correspondence – BHINs, etc.
 - 1. 24-023 Standards for specific BH provider types & services: amends Title 9 & 22 of CCR
 - 2. 24-025 / AB 1051 Presumptive transfer policy re: foster youth: MediCal goes to new county, STRTP – MediCal stays with Plumas
 - 3. Draft MH professional licensure waiver – for interns, up to 5 years
 - 4. Draft Servicemember Civil Relief Act (for veteran BH providers) – states must accept licensures from other states if the veteran provider moves to another state
 - 5. PIPs – PIP committee met – looking into adding more groups
 - 6. DHCS – MH CAPS are currently resolved
 - 7. EQRO report – expected to be finalized soon
 - ii. Access and Utilization for May
 - 1. 230 open charts; 82% penetration rate
 - 2. 87 youth; 143 adults
 - 3. New Intakes: 21
 - 4. Crisis Services: 18
 - 5. Psych Placements: 7

- iii. Grievances –
 - 1. 1 2nd opinion request
 - 2. 1 beneficiary rights
 - 3. 1 provider behavior concern
 - 4. 2 Quality of care concerns
- c. MHSA Update and Draft – audit is finished. Draft Annual Update for 30-day Public Comment – comments can go to Kristy in any form; public hearing will be at next PCBH commission meeting. Denise asked about why certain changes she recommended last year were not made (re: family member % on PCBH commission). Kristy said this cannot be done within 3-year plan but can be made in next 3-year plan. Only contract amounts can be changed at this point. Denise asked if changes could be italicized so it's easier to read.
Bill moved to accept draft plan for 30-day public comment; Kristy seconded. Motion carries.

Public Comment – N/A

Adjourned as BH Commission and convened as AOD commission.

Alcohol and Other Drug Advisory Board

- 1. Action Agenda – None.
- 2. Informational Announcements & Reports
 - a. AOD Report (Gary Sanderson) –
 - i. Awaiting feedback for mandatory AOD certification; a number has been issued
 - ii. Re: RFP for DUI program – no interested parties; moving forward with Butte Co. to provide virtual services (draft agreement in process). Butte cannot provide a brick & mortar building within Plumas.
 - iii. PC1000 – RFP – hope to have this to County Counsel by Friday
 - iv. Yearly monitoring at sites is done; working on report with other small counties
 - v. Block grant – plan was submitted on time; partial approval received (re: PH services)
 - vi. Currently in “contracting season” – some contracts in place are multi-year; working on getting yearly contracts done.
 - b. Quality Assurance Improvement
 - i. DHCS correspondence – meeting monthly
 - ii. 24-022 supersedes 23-066 SUD recovery or TF licensure/certification fee increases
 - iii. 24-024 allocation of funding for syringe services program (SSP), new funding is available, but they have not elected to do this (primary prevention money is now broken out)
 - iv. Draft notice – implementation of hardship fee waiver for SUD recovery or TF licensure or certification – DNA
 - v. Draft updated guidance for CalOMS treatment demographic reporting – submit comments by July 8, 2024
 - vi. Draft updated guidance for recovery incentives program (e.g. providing urinalysis) – PC is not currently doing this. Comments accepted through July 15, 2024.
 - vii. PIPs – FUA and POD in process
 - viii. Access and Utilization for June – N/A
 - 1. 36 SUD charts open, 81% penetration rate
 - 2. 6 youth, 45 adults

3. New intakes: 5
4. 1 residential placement
5. No open grievances

Public Comment – N/A

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by Kevin @ 1:58 pm.

Next meeting: **August 7, 2024, Courthouse: Supervisors' Board Room**, 1 pm to 3 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kendrah Fredricksen,
Secretary, Plumas County Behavioral Health Commission