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ATOD/MH/DD Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 8, 2024

Human Services 12:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Durbin, Commissioner Kline, Mark Rhoads, Danell Sowers, Diane Weckerly (via Zoom)

Absent: Dr. Nichole Harrison, Amanda Hetrick, Dr. John John, Pam Khare, Judy McDaid, Katie Sobkowski, Jessica Uber

Staff Present: Adam, McNeill, Melissa Baxter, Julie Lacki, Annette Miller (Recording Secretary)

Ex-Officio:

Guests: Judy Baker, Lisa Babo (via Zoom), Jean Berry (via Zoom), Jen Gesing, John Rubin (via Zoom)

I INTRODUCTIONS

- Danell Sowers called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

II MINUTES

- There was no quorum so the minutes from December 5, 2023 could not be approved.

III TREASURER REPORT

- There have been no requests.

IV STATISTICS – Available in packet

V UPDATES

- ATOD-** Adam McNeill gave the ATOD update.
 - Betsy Miller retired December 29, 2023. Melissa Baxter is the Interim SCA Director. Interviews were conducted to fill the SCA Director position and we are in the finalization process with DDAP to announce the new Director.
 - In June we restart the planning with Sage Action Consulting on the new Prevention Plan.
 - Jen Gesing shared that there is a PCCD grant available to providers for Prevention. If there is anything we are interested in doing, let her know.
- MH-** Julie Lacki gave the MH update.
 - Cambridge Warren closed 12/31/23 and there were no issues with placements.
 - Admissions to Warren State Hospital continue to increase.
 - Working with Beacon Light on several individuals who have been court ordered to follow outpatient recommendations and the individuals are not following through.

- Have been very busy with homelessness and trying to find places for people. Monthly housing board meetings are held to discuss referrals.
- c) **DD/EI-** Adam McNeill gave the DD and EI update.
- There was a death over the weekend of a mother with an adult disabled son. Staff worked very hard to make sure the consumer was safe and all taken care of.
 - Planning to review all client service plans as a result of what occurred this weekend. They will be reviewing each consumer's crisis plans and natural supports.
 - Mary Hall will be retiring March 1, 2024 so they will be hiring a new EI Caseworker.
- d) **Managed Care-** There was no Managed Care update, however Lisa Babo shared that she is working on dates and meeting places for the 2024 Adult and Member meetings.
- e) **Human Services Plan-** There was no Human Services Plan update.
- f) **Other**
- Beacon Light has bed availability in Youngsville and can take referrals for local youth.
 - Judy Baker asked about outreach in the community and Adam shared that it is being addressed in the Strategic Plan.
 - Mark Rhoads, Forest County Adult and Child Probation, shared that Forest County schools are having a huge issue with vaping at school. Jen Gesing said she would talk to Prevention staff to see if they can do something. Lisa Babo also suggested that the Northwestern Tobacco Coalition could have some programming for them.

VI CONSUMER/FAMILY CONCERNS

- There were no consumer/family concerns.

VII Speaker – There was no speaker.

VIII Strategic Plan – John Rubin, HMA, gave a presentation on the newly completed Strategic Plan. Adam will share copies of the plan with stakeholders and the community.

IX ADJOURNMENT

- Danell Sowers dismissed the meeting.
- Next Meeting is February 6, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Miller, Recording Secretary