

FOREST WARREN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES

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ATOD/MH/DD Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Human Services 12:00 p.m.

Present: Amanda Hetrick, Pam Khare, Judy McDaid (via Zoom), Mark Rhoads

Absent: Commissioner Durbin, Dr. Nichole Harrison, Dr. John John, Commissioner Kline, Katie Sobkowski, Danell Sowers, Jessica Uber, Diane Weckerly

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

Ex-Officio:

Guests: Lisa Babo, Judy Baker, Amanda Milliren (via Zoom), Erica Bender (via Zoom), Levii Beardsley (via Zoom), Jean Berry (via Zoom), Jen Gesing (via Zoom), Sarah Warmbrodt (via Zoom)

I INTRODUCTIONS

- Amanda Hetrick called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

II MINUTES

- There was no quorum so the minutes from February 6, 2024 could not be approved.

III TREASURER REPORT

- There have been no requests.

IV STATISTICS – Available in packet

V UPDATES

- ATOD-** Melissa Baxter gave the ATOD update.
 - Melissa agreed to sit on the Forest County Opioid Abatement Board. They have met twice to discuss how to spend the money.
 - Abraxas submitted for a rate increase so Melissa will be working with Fiscal and other SCA counterparts to go over their submission.
 - Working on the pre-submission requirements for the yearly DDAP Quality Assurance Assessment.
 - Dena Penley has been promoted to Case Management Supervisor. Her previous Case Manager position is now open and interviews are being conducted.
- MH-** Julie Lacki gave the MH update.
 - They have one open Case Management position and a new Case Manager will be starting 3/11/24.
 - Hiring a child MH Case Manager position to work with Tammy Hawk.

- Housing continues to be an issue. Exploring other ideas and bridge leasing.
- c) **DD/EI-** Tammi Shippee gave the DD and EI update.
 - The new EI Supports Coordinator will be starting 3/11/24.
 - Tracey Rickard is the new ID Supports Coordinator Supervisor so they now have an open SC position.
 - On April 11th Lakeshore will be hosting an Autism Awareness event at 11:00 am at the Library Theater.
- d) **Managed Care-** Lisa Babo gave the Managed Care update.
 - The next Adult Member meeting is 3/20/24 at Steps Drop In Center.
 - Adam shared that CCBH had some rate increases and we increased to match for our providers.
- e) **Human Services Plan-** Adam McNeill gave the Human Services Plan update.
 - Ongoing work on goals such as retention and recruitment and housing options.
- f) **Other**
 - Adam shared that Warren is looking at using money for the Opioid Settlement for MAT in the jail for those already prescribed it upon intake.
 - Mark Rhoads shared that PCCD will be doing a grant for Vivitrol only in the jails.

VI CONSUMER/FAMILY CONCERNS

- Julie Lacki shared that we are seeing more kids applying for Medical Assistance and not receiving CCBH, only fee for service. This is then a problem for them accessing services as the reimbursement rates for fee for service are about half of the CCBH reimbursement rates. Jen Gesing said that families can appeal.

VII Speaker – There was no speaker.

VIII ADJOURNMENT

- Amanda Hetrick dismissed the meeting.
- Next Meeting is April 2, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Miller, Recording Secretary