

April 2017

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Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health

Meeting Date: 4/6/2017

Meeting Time: 10:40am – 12:00pm

Meeting Location: Elmer L. Andersen Human Services Building (ELA), 540 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN 55101, ELA 2380

Present: Dave Johnson, Donna Lekander, Peggy Larkin, Kim Stokes, Cynthia Slowiak, Jeff Lind, Linda Hansen, Jennifer Thomas, Sue Benolken (for Thomas Delaney), Noah McCourt, BraVada Garrett Akinsanya, Richard Oni, Maggie Diebel

Absent: N/A

State Advisory Council on Mental Health Member(s): Steve Hansberry

Department of Human Services: Shelley White and Bill Wyss

Guest(s): Melissa Balitz and Alison Wolbeck

Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health meeting was called to order at 10:40am.

1. Mission Statement and Introductions

- Co-Chairs Dave Johnson and Donna Lekander read the mission statement and asked the Subcommittee members to do introductions.

2. Review of April 6, 2017 Agenda and New Business

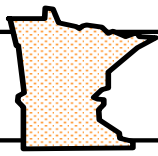
- Co-Chairs Dave Johnson and Donna Lekander reviewed the April 6, 2017 agenda.

3. Approval of March Minutes and Announcement

Approval of Minutes

- March minutes were approved and submitted.

Announcements



- Melissa Balitz announced that Noah McCourt spoke at the United Nations, and this can be seen on Facebook,
- Bill Wyss announced that Wilder and DHS are holding gap analysis meetings around the state and asking for solutions related to the gaps analysis work Wilder does.

4. Mental Health Division Updates, Bill Wyss, Children's Mental Health Supervisor Update

- Bill Wyss discussed the Request for Proposals (RFP) for school link mental health grants. He will be asking for input from the council in May or June.
- DHS should hear from SAMHSA in July or September 2017 on the Systems of Care of Care grant.
- The school based diversion RFP has been posted. Bill will be looking for a volunteer(s) for evaluating the respondents.
- Char Mykelbust is the contracted vendor to plan the Diversion grants.

5. Subcommittee Strategic Planning Discussion, Dave Johnson and Donna Lekander, Co-Chairs, Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health

- Donna led the discussion of the strategic planning and the next steps
- **In what other ways would you like to collaborate with the workgroups and the Council? Or with the Department of Human Services?**
 - Division staff council be a part of each workgroup
 - Continue to meet with the State Advisory Council on Mental Health around policy recommendations
- Maggie Dieble suggested a list of questions from **Advancing Health Equity: Asking the Right Question is a Path to Action for Change** document that could be used to guide the discussion on policy recommendations.

Advancing Health Equity: Asking the Right Questions is a Path to Action for Change

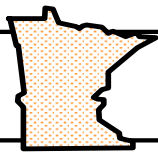
*The central questions when looking at **existing policies** are:*

- *What are the outcomes?*
- *Who benefits?*
- *Who is left out?*

*The central questions to help design **new policies** are:*

- *What outcomes do we want?*
- *Who should be targeted to benefit?*

*The central questions to examining **processes** are:*



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- *Who is at the decision-making table, and who is not?*
- *Who has the power at the table?*
- *Who is being held accountable and to whom or what are they accountable?*

*The central questions to help develop **new processes** are:*

- *How should the decision-making table be set, and who should set it?*
- *Who should hold decision-makers accountable, and where should this accountability take place?*

*The central questions to identify **assumptions** are:*

- *What values underlie the decision-making process?*
- *What is assumed to be true about the world and the role of the institution in the world?*
- *What standards of success are being applied at different decision points, and by whom?*

*The central questions to define **new assumptions** that will create the opportunity for health and healthy communities for all are:*

- *What are our values?*

What would it look like if equity was the starting point for decision-making?

- **How would you like to see the recommendations come together for 2018 Report to the Governor and Legislature?**
 - Jeff Lind suggested that each workgroup should write a one pager with their recommendation

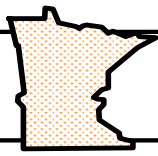
6. Workgroup Updates

- See the April Workgroup Minutes document

7. New Agenda Items for May Meeting

- Nothing was suggested for the May 4, 2017 meeting

Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm



State Advisory Council on Mental Health

Meeting Date: 4/6/2017

Meeting Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Meeting Location: Elmer L. Andersen Human Services Building (ELA), 540 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN 55101, ELA 2380

Present: Ken Ujifusa, Steve Hansberry, Ken Moorman, Alison Stoltz, Joseph DeBoer, Mary Kjolsing, Rozenia Fuller, Alison Wolbeck, Melissa Balitz, Anna Lynn, Pat Siebert, Dave Lee, Jode Freyholtz London, Stephanie Hodges, John Yanish, Michael Trangle, Emmanuel Oppong

Absent: Claire Courtney*, Shannah Mulvihill,

Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health Member(s): N/A

Department of Human Services: Claire Wilson and Shelley White

Guest(s): N/A

State Advisory Council on Mental Health meeting called to order at 1:00pm.

1. Review of April 6, 2017 Agenda and New Business

- New Business: In March a motion was submitted to write a letter of support for SH 1441 and HF 2383 but there was not a quorum.

2. Approval of February and March Minutes and Announcements

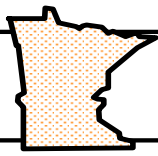
Approval of Minutes

- February minutes were approved and submitted.
- March minutes were approved and submitted.

Announcements

- Melissa Balitz announced that Noah McCourt presented at the UN, and Emmanuel Oppong won a Bush award.
- Pat Siebert announced her retirement in May, the May meeting will be her last Council meeting.
- Joseph is graduating from nursing school and will be starting a graduate program this fall.
- Jode announced that Wellness in the Woods is holding a conference on trauma and PTSD on May 1, 2017 in St Cloud.
- The new State Advisory Council web site is up and running.
- An article about Telehealth was published in MN Post.

3. Mental Health Division Updates, Claire Wilson, Assistance Commissioner, Community



Supports Administration

Mental Health Division Updates

- Applications for the Behavioral Health Director position closed March 21.
- External and Internal interview panels are being selected and interviews will begin in several weeks.
- The integration of the two divisions is moving forward. There is strategic planning across the administration. The CCBHC are on target for July 1.

4. Department for Human Services Legislative Updates, Claire Wilson, Assistance Commissioner, Community Supports Administration

Legislative Updates

- Claire discussed a number of policy bills that are moving forward. At the time of this meeting there is still no word on budget targets.
- School linked mental health grants moving forward.
- Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division's Substance Abuse Reform package is moving forward. NAMI MN web site has a weekly legislative updates.

5. Open Discussion, Melissa Balitz, State Advisory Council on Mental Health Chair
Discussion of the next legislative report

- The council began to look forward to the next legislative report and using data to inform this process.
- What data does DHS gather? How is it used?
- What are other sources for data- health plans gather data?
- What is the ability of the Council to get this information?

6. State Advisory Council on Mental Health Update, Steve Hansberry

- Steve Hansberry gave an update to the Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health
- See the [Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health April 6, 2017](#) meeting minutes for more details.

7. Workgroup Updates

- See the April Workgroup Minutes document.

8. Agenda Items for May 4, 2017 Meeting

- Patricia Siebert – will give a historical overview during the State Advisory Council on Mental Health May 4, 2017 meeting

State Advisory Council on Mental Health meeting adjourned at 3:10pm.