Behavioral Health Advisory Council  
Pierre, South Dakota  
June 18, 2015

Advisory Council Members Present:  
Amy Iversen-Pollreisz  
Daniel Dosch  
Ann Larsen  
Jane York  
Tim Neyhart  
Nancy Allard  
Jayne Parsons  
Bernie Grimme  
Susan Sandgren  
Belinda Nelson  
Sheila Weber  
Phyllis Arends  
Lorraine Polak  
Katherine Jaeger  
Ellen Washenberger  
Roseann Peterson-Olson  
Sara Weishaar  
Kori Kromminga  
Lois Knoke

Advisory Council Members Absent:  
Doug Herrmann  
Dr. William Carr  
Susan Kornnder  
LeLewis Gipp  
Jacksyn Bakeberg  
Tiffany Butler

Division of Behavioral Health Staff Present:  
Tiffany Wolfgang  
Jennifer Humphrey  
Stacy Bruels  
Travis Hallock

Minutes:

I. Call to Order
June 18, 2015 the Behavioral Health Advisory Council meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Sara Weishaar.

II. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes
Sara Weishaar requested the Council’s review of the March 2015 meeting minutes. No proposed changes were recommended at this time.

III. New Members
Tiffany Wolfgang provided an overview of new appointments, resignations and vacant positions.

New Appointments:
- Dr. William Carr – Director of the Behavioral Health Services for the Great Plains Region Indian Health Services or designee.
- Dianna Marshall – Executive Director of South Dakota Advocacy Services or designee.

Resignation:
- Patty Johnson – A family member of a child with SED with a preference for a family member representing a child between the ages of 5 and 12.

Vacant Positions:
- A certified or licensed substance abuse provider who provides direct services at a community agency (not a center director).
- Patty Johnson – A family member of a child with SED with a preference for a family member representing a child between the ages of 5 and 12.

IV. Behavioral Health System Updates

New Staff
Tiffany Wolfgang announced new staff person, Jessica Lankford. Jessica has joined our Community Behavioral Health staff in Pierre and has experience working at three different mental health providers within the state of South Dakota.

Fiscal Reports – Stacy Bruels
Stacy Bruels provided an overview of the third quarter report for FY2015 regarding the amount expended for contract and Medicaid services by service area.

Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) Workgroup
Tiffany Wolfgang announced the first ARSD Workgroup meeting was held May 28, 2015. The next meeting will take place July 28, 2015. The workgroup will ensure consistency in all mental health and substance abuse areas that should be consistent and reduce any unnecessary regulatory burden.

New Alternatives Program
The pilot program, operated through Lutheran Social Services (LSS), is currently providing services to six individuals in the Rapid City area. The program has a capacity for 12 individuals and there are six, two bedroom apartments available with staff onsite. Additional applications are currently under review in order to fill the remaining six available openings.

The program is for youth transitioning out of child services into adult mental health services. Support staff teaches independent living skills based on client needs including managing self-care, employment/volunteer opportunities and finances.

Human Services Center (HSC)
Amy Iversen-Pollreisz provided an update on the Human Services Center.
- 1,622 admissions as of April 30, 2015. In FY 2014 there were a total of 1,848 admissions.
- A nationwide search is underway in order to fill the Director’s position once filled by Ric Compton who had resigned April 10, 2015. Amy Iversen-Pollreisz is currently acting as the Interim Director.
- A patient satisfaction survey is completed at the time of discharge, and the results being collected are on par with other psychiatric hospitals within the allotted region.
- Currently, HSC is researching different Evidence Based Practices, which will lead to potential program changes in the future.

Mental Health Support Program
Tiffany Wolfgang provided an overview of the Mental Health Support Program which was announced to Community Mental Health Centers on January 5, 2015. As of May 31, 2015, 180 families/individuals have been approved services/supports. The Division of Behavioral Health is currently working on collecting FY 2015 client outcomes.

Block Grant
Tiffany Wolfgang discussed priority areas for the FY 2016-2017 Combined Mental Health/Substance Abuse and Prevention Treatment Block Grant, which is due September 1, 2015. Identified priorities include peer support services; a statewide treatment needs assessment and collection of client level data and outcomes.

Mental Health Statistics Improvement Program (MHSIP) Survey
Tiffany Wolfgang announced that the 2014 MHSIP Survey Report has been finalized. The report is produced by Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, Mental Health Program, and will be available at http://dss.sd.gov/ soon.

Findings in 2014 were consistent with previous surveys and continue to be positive. The
Division of Behavioral Health will be dialoging with Community Mental Health Centers to determine how to best utilize this data.

**Mental Health First Aid Training**
Tiffany Wolfgang announced that the Division of Behavioral Health has an email grouping which notifies individuals for when the next Mental Health First Aid trainings are. If you are interested in being on the email grouping, please contact Travis Hallock at Travis.Hallock@state.sd.us or 605-773-3123.

**FY 2016 IMPACT Services**
Tiffany Wolfgang announced that the Division of Behavioral Health is working with an outside contractor in order to develop an updated fidelity review for the six IMPACT Program within the state.

**Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JJRI)**
Tiffany Wolfgang announced that the Division of Behavioral Health is working very closely with the United Judicial System and the Department of Corrections in order to implement what had been determined in statute through the Juvenile Justice Reform Initiative. The Division is currently meeting with stakeholders to gain input regarding the evidence based services to be implemented. Services will also include a quality assurance and fidelity component.

V. **IMPACT**
Belinda Nelson, Director of Community Counseling Services in Huron, presented on Individualized Mobile Programs of Assertive Community Treatment services.

**Future Meetings**
Discussion took place in regard to mental health outcomes. Additional follow-up will be presented at the next meeting.

Lorraine Polak announced that the results of the 2015 homeless count have been released and that information can be found on the SD Housing for the Homeless Consortium website: [http://www.housingforthehomeless.org/](http://www.housingforthehomeless.org/) under the Homeless Count and Survey within the text of the page.

Also, Lorraine is asking for public comments on the Draft Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness. Please see the attached draft plan. Communities around the state are establishing dates and locations for public meetings. A press release will follow.

Phyllis Arends discussed “The Stepping Up Initiative”, which is a national initiative to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jails. More information can be found at [https://stepuptogether.org/](https://stepuptogether.org/).

Phyllis Arends stated the Helmsley Charitable Trust presented on their findings at local meetings across the state. This survey can be found at [http://helmsleytrust.org/publication/focus-south-dakota-picture-health](http://helmsleytrust.org/publication/focus-south-dakota-picture-health).

Daniel Dosch discussed Jolene’s Task Force, which is operated under the Department of Health. If anyone is interested in learning more about this focus, please contact Daniel at Daniele.Dosch@ic.fbi.gov.

The next meeting will take place August 13, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (CST) at
Redrossa in Pierre.

Ideas voiced for future presentations included Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Substance Abuse (CBISA). Future presentation requests and agenda items should be directed to Jennifer Humphrey.

VI. Adjourn
Meeting was adjourned by Sara Weishaar.