



Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team
September 28th, 2017
Meeting Minutes

Appointees Present: Dr. Stephanie Brown, Monya Crow, Craig Daugherty, Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio, Elizabeth Ferring, Melina Galler, Dr. Bill Giese, Councilman TJ Gilmore, Monica Glenn, Dr. Timothy Harris, Mayor Bill Heidemann, Mary Jones, Jane Krhovjak, Capt. Douglas Lee, Dr. Teresa McKinney, Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell, Dr. Matt Richardson, Nicki Roderman, Juan Rodriguez, Dr. Kathryn Stream, Dr. Richard Valenta, Judge Coby Waddill, Terry Widmer

Ex officios present: Gary Henderson, Sonia Redwine, Judge Doug Robison

Appointees Absent: Samantha Castle, Dr. Lisa Elliott, Gary Fullerton, Judge Barbara Gailey, Chief Russell Kerbow, Chief Robin Paulsgrove, Mayor Chris Watts

Meeting called to order at 8:05 a.m.

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| I. | Welcome | T. McKinney | 2 min. |
| | Dr. McKinney called the meeting to order and the DCBHLT and guests introduced themselves. | | |
| II. | Consideration of July Meeting Minutes | T. McKinney | 2 min. |
| | Minutes from July 20, 2017 meeting and electronic minutes which included the vote to add state representation to the DCBHLT were shared. | | |
| | Motion to approve by Terry Widmer. Second by Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio. Passed unanimously by DCBHLT. | | |
| III. | Bylaw Amendments (attached) | T. McKinney | 5 min. |

As our needs change, so does the need for our bylaws. The following amendments to the bylaws are needed:

- **Article IV, Section 4.1 Appointment:** Add Federal and State Legislatures and Corinth City Council to the entities represented on the DCBHLT. This change allows the DCBHLT to add members that the body agreed should be included on the team.
- **Article VI, Section 6.1 DCBHLT Appointees:** Change the minimum number of DCBHLT members from 15 to 16, and change the maximum from 33 to 36. This will allow us to accommodate the growth from appointments in Article IV, Section 4.1. Additionally, we have increased the number of federal and state legislature appointees from 0 to 1-3, Corinth City Council from 0 to 1-2, Small Cities from 1 to 1-2, and Human Systems from 4-8 to 4-10.



- **Article VI, Section 6.13: DCBHLT Workgroups/Subcommittees:** Amend the workgroups to remove housing as it has been adopted under the DCHLT and change Consumer to Community Conversations.
- With these changes, the new DCBHLT model will look like model included in the agenda packet.

Short discussion to ensure that housing workgroup work was being continued if not under the DCBHLT. Terry Widmer, chair of the DCHLT confirmed that the work is being continued. TJ Gilmore raised the question if the purpose of the Community Conversations workgroup would be the same as the Consumer workgroup. Director of Homelessness Initiatives, Courtney Cross, confirmed that the name change does not change the intent of the workgroup.

Motion to approve amendments to bylaws as proposed by Dr. Timothy Harris. Second by Councilman TJ Gilmore. Passed unanimously by DCBHLT.

IV. Community Health Summit M. Richardson 25 min.

Dr. Richardson and Denton County Public Health will host a Community Health Summit, sponsored also by UWDC and Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital/Texas Health Resources on October 11th from 9am to 2pm. One of the outcomes of the summit will be to identify community goals from the 5 areas of concern identified through the DCPH Community Health Assessment. The Community Health Assessment will be conducted every 3 years. A community health improvement plan will be created out of the goals determined from the Community Health Summit. DCBHLT will have the opportunity to help frame 2 mental health goals for the summit group to consider. Sonia Redwine will send out the flyer and link to the DCBHLT for members to participate in the Community Health Summit. Sonia Redwine will share the link to the DCPH community health assessment to the group via email.

V. Legislative Advocacy/MMHPI Excel & Engage G. Henderson/S. Redwine 10 min.

Gary Henderson gave some background on the Excel and Engage conference and introduced Sonia Redwine to share information from the conference in Austin September 20-22, 2017.

SB 292:

- Goal to reduce recidivism, arrest, and incarceration among individuals with mental illness and/or address total waiting time for forensic commitment of persons with mental illness to a state hospital.
- FY 2018=\$12.5M to counties with a population greater than 250K.
- FY2019=\$25M for any county, with 20% of the funds dedicated to counties with a population less than 250K.
- Must be collaborative between county, LMHA, and hospital district
- 100% match, not from state or county dollars
- Potential uses:
 - Continue jail diversion



- Establish jail diversion
- Alternative to competency restoration in state hospital (in-patient, out-patient, jail based care)
- Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) or Forensic Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) with outreach component
- Intensive MH services and substance abuse treatment not readily available in community
- Continuity of care services for an individual being released from a state hospital
- Interdisciplinary rapid response team to reduce LE involvement with MH emergencies
- Local community hospitals, crisis, respite, or residential beds.

HB13:

- Goal to provide \$30M for community mental health programs that provide services and treatment to individuals experiencing mental illness.
- Can apply for multiple under this grant
- FY 2018: \$10M
- FY 2019: \$20 M
- 50% of funds designated to counties with population less than 250K
- Applicant can be any agency, state, non-profit, with a letter of support from LMHA with the recommendation that any application should look to collaborative efforts
- Match 100% dollars and in-kind as long as not state/federal dollars
- Potential uses should align with state strategic plan and can include:
 - School based services for children and adolescents
 - Evidence based treatment for children with high needs (foster children)
 - 1st episode psychosis treatment capacity
 - Establish mental health jail diversion program
 - Any community mental health program that will address gaps in MH services and treatment in local community

Elizabeth Ferring will share summary of legislative bills to Sonia Redwine to share with group so members of the DCBHLT can thank legislative members for their support of mental health programs.

VI. Public Relations

L. Howell/S. Redwine

5 min.

● **Speakers Bureau Updates**

Sonia reported on speakers bureau in Chief Lee Howell's absence. Sonia indicated the need for more speaking engagements, but DCBHLT has been able to secure some tabling events.

- 9/9 table at Race for Hope with Ok to Say materials
- 9/17: Panel at Peace of Mind event at First Baptist Church of Lewisville
- 9/30: Painting with a Purpose at Painting with a Twist for Suicide Awareness
- 10/7: UNT Recovery Rally



- 10/8: Flower Mound Food Truck Festival—donations from event go to Kyle’s Place and Journey to Dream and Jordan Elizabeth Harris Foundation, whose mission is to eradicate suicide by funding research, creating awareness through education, and erasing stigma. Sonia reiterated to the group to like and share DCBHLT posts on Facebook. She has been intentional in including more posts regarding mental health topics and facts. Sonia shared the vision for the website to be more robust to include information on the outcomes and tasks the group has accomplished to date. She encouraged the group to review the website and share ideas on how to make the page more reflective of the efforts of the group.

Dr. McKinney shared that UNT is hosting a mental health week that will feature Kevin Hines on October 17th. It is open to anyone. Pam Gutierrez shared a flyer for their fundraiser event also featuring Kevin Hines on November 3rd.

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| VII. | Veterans Initiatives | G. Henderson | 10 min. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● TV+FA Phase I: We were the first pilot group to complete our grant which surpassed our goal of 200 unique veterans and their families to 260 unique clients. Special thanks to Troy Manning of MHMR and Chris Martin of the Denton County Veterans Coalition for their time and expertise to create an excellent proposal. HHSC is looking forward to additional proposals from our collaborative group. We are currently working on final reports and sustainability. UWDC Board has agreed to fund through March 31. ● TV+FA Phase IIB: Project Camo course is happening today and tomorrow. It is a 2 day course for veterans and their family members to receive military mental health first aid and resource information. Gary encouraged team members to share Project Camo details with their networks to assist veterans and their family members. | | |
| VIII. | Workgroup Reports(attached) | Workgroups | 20 min. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Veterans - Colonel Chris Martin
Chris shared the successful veterans engagement event in July. He also shared about military mental health first aid course as part of Project Camo and the benefit it added to our veteran population. The workgroup is currently reviewing their strategic plan to see what needs to be revised. Peer to peer support was identified as a weak area, with some possibility to create partnerships in faith based organizations to increase peer to peer efforts. Veteran Stand Down on October 26th. Anticipating about 100 participants. ● Jail Diversion - Dr. Teresa McKinney/Pam Gutierrez <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pam shared budget and staffing information from existing CSUs in the state. A site visit was scheduled, but was delayed by Hurricane Harvey. There was some discussion on the need to be creative in coming up with possible math opportunities for SB292 grant as it will be costly to create a CSU. ● Child and Family Systems - Dr. Lisa Elliott & Laura Prillwitz | | |



- Lisa was absent, so Laura gave the update. The group is working diligently to move forward on creating a Texas System of Care model that would be a referral based program. With support from the DCBHLT, the group will move forward to contact key stakeholders to gauge interest in partnering on such an effort. Terry Widmer moved to move forward to contact key stakeholders. Second by Roxanne Del-Rio. Motion passed unanimously. Laura reiterated the Painting with a Purpose event this Saturday, September 30th.
- Community Conversation – Elizabeth Ferring
 - The group has new energy and new membership. The workgroup is moving to create a more streamlined approach to collecting information from the community regarding mental health services and barriers.
- Mental Health Court - Tami Russell—
 - Tami Russell was absent so Judge Coby Waddill gave an update. The court has been tough, yet successful. There are 4 new persons admitted into the court. 1-2 people should graduate from the court in November. The court received \$750 from NAMI.
- New Business T. McKinney
 - The next meeting will be moved to November 30th to accommodate some schedule conflicts. It was approved with head nods.
 - Reminder to complete the code of ethics form and return to Sonia Redwine.

IX. Public Comments -None given.

X. Adjourned at 9:25 T. McKinney

**Next Meeting: November 30, 2017 @ 8:00 a.m.
United Way of Denton County**



Secretary

11/30/2017
Date



Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team

November 14, 2017

Electronic Voting

Motion to move forward with a letter of support for Denton County MHMR for the SB292 grant application to sustain the Crisis Residential Unit.

Based on the members who responded, the motion to move forward with a letter of support on behalf of the DCBHLT for Denton County MHMR passed.

Appointees responding:

Louise Baldwin
Stephanie Brown
Samantha Castle
Monya Crow
Dr. Roxanne Del-Rio
Dr. Lisa Elliott
Melinda Galler
Judge Barbara Gailey
TJ Gilmore
Monica Glenn
Dr. Timothy Harris
Chief Lee Howell
Mary Jones
Chief Russ Kerbow
Jane Krhovjak
Captain Douglas Lee
Dr. Teresa McKinney
Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell
Chief Robin Paulsgrove
Dr. Matt Richardson
Dr. Nicki Roderman
Juan Rodriguez
Dr. Richard Valenta
Honorable Coby Waddill
Mayor Chris Watts
Terry Widmer


Secretary


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