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Behavioral Health Advisory Board

Date: Friday, January 20th, 2022

Time: 12:00pm – 1:15pm

Location:

Virtual – Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89661572865?pwd=SIN1WUFTYmNEeUxzGJLWIFqMHRKUT09>

Present: Holly Harris, Danielle MacBain, Captain Shults, Kristin Mozzochi, Paul Partridge, Christina Lee, Peter Boehm, Cameron Fischer, Lorelei Kryzanek, Jessica Vierra, Jill Adams, Stephanie Utzman, Shannon Brister-Raugust, Evan Namkung, Amber Clegg.

Support: Aimee Burroughs

<u>Agenda Items</u>		
12:00PM – 12:10PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and introductions • Approval of the November 18th, 2022 BHAB Meeting Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jessica Vierra motioned to approve minutes. Ethan Namkung 2nd. Minutes approved 	Roger Olson
12:10PM-12:20PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Announcements ○ Bend Health Fair in April; Roger asked for volunteers for this. Contact him or Dana for more information ○ Captain Shults shared that the DC Sheriff partnered with Ideal Options and created Guardian Angels program – LPN job search for MAT program at the jail. ○ Shannon will be there to discuss MRS ○ Danny McCalister for PacificSource will present next month 	All



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<p>12:20PM- 12:25PM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Agenda Building <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No update at this time 	<p>Jessica Vierra</p>
<p>12:25PM- 12:30PM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bylaw update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hoping to get an updated document to the group next month for review. ○ Document will give an overview of the mission of this group as well as guidelines for members. ○ Add discussion to next month’s agenda. ○ Roger mentioned that we need a VA representative on this committee. ○ Within this conversation it was mentioned that there is new legislation that assists Veterans in getting access to more mental health services. ○ Amber to check in with Arielle Samuel and her direct contacts to get more information on this initiative. 	<p>Jessica Vierra</p>
<p>12:30PM – 1:00PM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Aid and Assist DCBH Intensive Forensic Services Supervisor, Evan Namkung, LCSW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aid and Assist program: one of the more complicated legal processes someone can go through. ○ If we are charged with a crime, we have a constitutional right to defend ourselves; if we are not able to aid our attorney due to a mental health issue. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Puts pause on the process. ▪ Court then asks Evan’s team to work with that individual to get help. ▪ Needs to treat mental health and restore someone to the point where they can participate with their attorney. 	<p>Evan Namkung</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In order for the process to continue; has to be found by a mental health evaluator to be able to assist in their legal process. ▪ This takes different amounts of time for everyone depending on their mental health. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Program has almost doubled since 2020. ○ This has led to extreme overcrowding in the State hospitals; which a Federal judge just reduced how long patients can stay in to ease overcrowding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There is a lack of resources to serve those that time-out of the State hospital but are not ready to be evaluated for legal process yet. ○ DC program success can partially be attributed to the relationships that have been formed with judges, lawyers, district attorney, etc. ○ Captain Shults added that some individuals can wait in DC jail for up to 6 months to go through the Aid and Assist program. ○ Questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Q: What can we do? ▪ A: Championing funding for community programs; this program has shed light on the gaps where our programs don't work together. ▪ Q: Who makes the decision that a person isn't able to aid and assist in their defense? We are talking about the mental health aspect but what about cognitive delays or deficiencies? ▪ A: Usually the defense attorney makes the motion; there are groups that should never be in this process; those with dementia or cognitive delays. ▪ Q: How is the level of resilience on your team with the massive influx? ▪ A: It's been a massive adjustment and try and stay as flexible as possible 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Q: Is this a statewide issue or just prevalent in DC? ▪ A: Captain Shults shared that there are many discussions at statewide meetings revolving around this issue. Not just in DC. ▪ Q: Isn't it about getting funding for services before the crisis happens? ▪ A: Yes, ideally. State of OR has narrow ways to get individuals into treatment who need treatment, but the clients who are in Aid and Assist don't want that help. ▪ A: Holly has started conversations with the Acute Care Council; the need for a forensic unit to serve some part of the community. 	
<p>1:10PM- 1:15PM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Person Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stan Owen at Courtney now equipped for hybrid ○ Next month (2/17) will be In Person in Stan Owen; lunch will be provided. 	<p>Jessica</p>
<p>Parking Lot:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How will we bring bylaw document before March? 		
<p>Adjourn 1:10pm, Roger</p>		