

**Behavioral Health Advisory Council
Pierre, South Dakota**

June 10, 2020

Advisory Council Members Present: Kara Assid (Chair) Dianna Marshall
Roseann Peterson-Olson (Vice-Chair) Susan Kornder
Jacquie Larson Melanie Boetel
Kristi Bunkers Wendy Figland
Christy Alten-Osmera Karen Severns
Bryan Harberts Lorraine Polak
Matt Glanzer Belinda Nelson
Joyce Glynn Jane Grant
Linda Reidt-Kilber Chuck Frieberg
Eric Weiss Angie Dammer
Ashlee Rathbun Emily Erickson

Advisory Council Members Absent: Katherine Jaeger Lois Knoke
Rosanne Summerside Jayne Parsons
Ellen Washenburger

Division of Behavioral Health Staff Present: Jana Sprenger Jennifer Humphrey
Tiffany Wolfgang Stacy Krall
Andrea Heronimus

Others in Attendance: Terry Dosch Jeremy Johnson
Sue Glodt Laurie Gill

Purpose

The purpose of the Advisory Council shall be to guide the Division of Behavioral Health with the planning, coordination and development of the state comprehensive behavioral health services plan. The Advisory Council shall advocate on behalf of persons served to ensure their highest attainable degree of independence, productivity, community integration and quality of services. The Advisory Council will also advise the Division of Behavioral Health on statewide treatment, prevention, and rehabilitation needs within the current behavioral health system.

Minutes:

I. Call to Order / Welcome and Introductions

June 10, 2020 the Behavioral Health Advisory Council meeting was called to order.

II. Laurie Gill, Secretary of the Department of Social Services

Secretary Gill introduced herself, discussed the importance of the Advisory Council and her gratitude towards those volunteering their time to serve.

III. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Advisory Council reviewed and approved the November 2019 meeting minutes.

IV. Membership

New Members

Emily Erickson was appointed 1/7/20 to fill the position of Jacksyn Bakeberg; A youth with a serious emotional disturbance and/or substance use disorder or a youth who has a sibling with a serious emotional disturbance and/or substance use disorder.

Rosanne Summerside was appointed 4/28/20 to fill the position of Jane York; A family member of an adult with a serious mental illness who is a member of a mental health advocacy organization

V. Sue Glodt, Director of the Oahe Child Development Center

Sue Glodt provided an overview of the services offered through the Oahe Child Development Center.

VI. Human Services Center (HSC) Update

Administrator, Jeremy Johnson, provided an overview of COVID-19 measures implemented at HSC. Jeremy also discussed Competency & Restoration trainings and recruitment efforts for new staff, including Registered Nurses.

VII. COVID-19 Updates

Tiffany Wolfgang provided an overview of COVID-19 measures implemented at the state and local provider levels.

Crisis Counseling Program – SD4527

The Division was awarded a statewide Crisis Counseling Program grant as a result of the 4/30/20 Presidential Disaster Declaration addressing COVID-19. Under the 605 Strong branding used in Governor Noem's Back to Normal Plan, the grant will provide outreach services to individuals impacted by COVID, primarily through technology, and will utilize the 2-1-1 number as the primary source to call for information/resources. The state will also subcontract with providers to deliver targeted outreach to identified populations.

Emergency Grant to Address Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders

The Division was awarded FG-20-006, Emergency Grants to Address Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders during COVID-19. This grant will support crisis intervention services, mental health and substance use treatment and other related recovery supports for children and adults impacted by COVID-19. Funding includes \$2,000,000 over 16 months beginning April 20, 2020 through August 19, 2021.

Emergency Response for Suicide Prevention Grant

On May 22nd the Division applied for FG-20-007, Emergency Response for Suicide Prevention Grant. If awarded, the grant is \$800,000 for 16 months beginning June 30th and will focus specifically on adults (25 and older) at risk for suicide and victims of

domestic violence.

VIII. **Boards & Commissions Portal**

Tiffany Wolfgang discussed updates to the following topics. The Advisory Council is encouraged to visit the following websites periodically to obtain new information.

Oversight Council for Improving Criminal Justice Responses for Persons with Mental Illness:

<https://boardsandcommissions.sd.gov/SearchResults.aspx?Letter=M>.

Juvenile Justice Public Safety Improvement Act (JJPSIA) Oversight Council

<https://boardsandcommissions.sd.gov/SearchResults.aspx?Letter=J>.

Mental Health Summer Study

<https://sdlegislature.gov/Interim/Documents.aspx?Committee=205&Session=2018#Meetings>

IX. **Additional Director Updates**

Tiffany Wolfgang provided an overview of the following topics.

Needs and Gaps Analysis

A Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued for a Needs and Gaps Analysis which includes both privately and publicly funded behavioral health services in South Dakota, including mental health and substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery supports. The purpose of the analysis is to guide strategic goals and priorities for future investments in behavioral health that support improved outcomes and develop a comprehensive, evidence-based continuum of care for individuals. The RFP was due May 22nd and a contract award is anticipated June 26th. This endeavor will include stakeholder involvement, including the Advisory Council.

State Opioid Response Grant

The Division submitted a 2nd application to the State Opioid Response grant on May 15th. If awarded, the grant will begin September 30th and will support efforts around both opioid and meth; including Medication Assisted Treatment, peer recovery support services, prevention and intensive case management for pregnant women and women with dependent children.

Office of Licensure & Accreditation

Governor Noem requested that the Department of Social Services do a full analysis on the process for licensing and inspecting private treatment facilities for children and youth. Eleven recommendations resulted including the creation of an independent monitor (SB 20) and the creation of the Office of Licensure and Accreditation. A full report can be found at:

https://dss.sd.gov/docs/mainpage/licensed_and_accredited_treatment_facilities_with_executive_summary.pdf.

2020 Legislative Session

A 2% provider inflation was approved during the 2020 Legislative Session. Just over 3 million was approved to support meth treatment in the Northeast and Western regions.

\$138,500 was approved to support full year funding of Mental Health Court in Minnehaha County and \$436,662 was approved to fully fund 211 statewide. Additional funding adjustments were made to the Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Initiative, substance use disorder outpatient services and meth treatment; and one-time funding to support suicide prevention.

X. Prevention Services & Committees

Jana Sprenger provided overview of COVID-19 measures implemented by prevention providers.

Middle School Prevention Programming

Funding was approved in 2019 to provide evidence-based substance use prevention programming, with an emphasis on meth prevention, in South Dakota middle schools. Nine offerors were approved funding from the Request for Proposal issued in August 2019, identifying a projected 40 schools to receive programming which began January 2020.

The Division worked collaboratively with the three Prevention Resource Centers to conduct outreach to all middle schools in their catchment area in an effort to on-board additional middle schools for programming. In FY20 69 middle schools received programming. In FY21, 83 middle schools will receive programming.

South Dakota Prevention Facebook Page

The Division is utilizing the South Dakota Prevention Facebook page to disseminate behavioral health information, including prevention and treatment; promoting self-help seeking behaviors, and de-stigmatizing behavioral health issues. Please go and “Like,” the page: <https://www.facebook.com/southdakotaprevention/>

Meth Awareness Campaign – Anyone. Everyone.

In connection with Mental Health Awareness Month and National Prevention week in May, the meth campaign transitioned to phase two: “Meth can affect anyone, so it’s time to help everyone.”

The Community Support Toolkit has been added to the www.onmeth.com website, in addition to other various resources on how one can prevent methamphetamine use in their home, school, work, and community. To download the Community Support Toolkit, visit: <https://onmeth.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/south-dakota-community-support-toolkit.pdf>

Suicide Prevention

In 2019, the Department of Health, Social Services, Education, Tribal Relations, Agriculture and the Great Plains Tribal Chairmen’s Health Board formed a work group and developed South Dakota’s 2020-2025 Strategic Plan. The development of the strategic plan included review of prior work related to suicide prevention and review of national strategies. The final Plan, selected strategies and the Take Action Now document can be found: <https://sdsuicideprevention.org/toolkits/strategic-plans/>. In addition, a listserv function has been added to the website.

National Strategy for Suicide Prevention Grants

The Division applied for the SM-20-014, Grants to Implement the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention. If awarded, the grant will begin August 30, 2020 with up to \$700,000 per year for three years. The purpose of the grant is to improve the continuity of care and targeted follow-up to adults at risk for suicide after discharge from inpatient behavioral health units by establishing or enhancing care transition protocols as well as increasing the confidence and competence among critical stakeholders to better identify those at risk of suicide.

Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnerships for Success Grant (SPF-PFS)

The Division applied for the SP-20-002 Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnerships for Success Grant. If awarded, the grant will begin August 30, 2020 with up to \$1,000,000 per year for five years. The purpose of the grant is to increase and enhance the capacity of communities to support the implementation of the SPF by establishing two-to-three additional Prevention Resource Centers.

State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW) & Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT):

The Division submitted a Change in Scope on Monday, February 10, 2020. The Change in Scope has been approved by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and staff are moving forward with FY21 contracts to support the SEOW through the SBIRT grant and mini-grant opportunities for primary care clinics to implement SBIRT.

XI. Division of Behavioral Health Update

Melanie Boetel provided an overview of the following topics.

Fiscal Update

Melanie Boetel provided an overview of the 2nd and 3rd quarter report for Fiscal Year 2020 regarding the amount expended for contract and Medicaid services by area.

State Pilot Grant Program for Treatment for Pregnant Women and Postpartum Women

The Division of Behavioral Health applied for TI-20-010, State Pilot Grant for Treatment for Pregnant and Postpartum Women. If awarded, the grant will support the RESTORE model of intensive case management provided by Bethany Christian Services. Awards are up to \$900,000 annually for three years, beginning August 30, 2020.

Crisis Counseling Program – SD4440

On June 7, 2019 the State of South Dakota received a Presidential Disaster Declaration for individual assistance for Severe Winter Storm, Snowstorm and Flooding in the counties of Bon Homme, Charles Mix, Hutchinson, Minnehaha and Yankton; the Pine Ridge Reservation to include counties of Oglala Lakota, Jackson and Bennett; the Rosebud Reservation to include the counties of Mellette and Todd; and the Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation to include the counties of Dewey and Ziebach. The Division has sub contracted with five Community Mental Health Centers and the Avera Farm and Rural Crisis Stress Hotline to assist with outreach services to identified populations. The grant will end July 30, 2020.

Crisis Counseling Program – SD4469

On November 18, 2019, the Presidential Disaster Declaration was received. Individual assistance was requested and approved for the following counties: Aurora, Brookings, Charles Mix, Davison, Hanson, Hutchinson, Lake, Lincoln, McCook, Minnehaha, Moody, and Yankton. Additionally, the Flandreau Santee Indian Reservation and the Yankton Indian Reservation were included. The Division has subcontracted with five Community Mental Health Centers and the Avera Farm and Rural Crisis Stress Hotline to assist with outreach services to identified populations. In addition, the Division is currently undergoing a virtual site visit conducted this week by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Overall, feedback has been very positive regarding the work done through these grants.

Training and Quality Assurance

The Division distributed a training survey to providers January 2020 receiving input in several training topics of interest. The Division will coordinate training opportunities with contracted consultants, and with Technology Transfer Centers for FY2021.

XII. Open Discussion/Council Member Updates

Housing Choice Vouchers

Lorraine Polak announced that through the Foster Youth to Independence initiative, Public Housing Agencies and Public Child Welfare Agencies may request Housing Choice Vouchers to assist eligible youth between the ages of 18 and 24 years of age for a period of 36 months. For more information, please contact Lorraine at lorraine@sdhda.org or 605.773.3181.

South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium

Lorraine Polak announced that the 2020 Statewide Point-in-Time Count took place January 28, 2020. For more information, please visit: <http://www.housingforthehomeless.org/primary-content/public-awareness.html>.

XIII. Public Comment / Testimony

No public comment or testimony received.

XIV. Future Meetings

The next meeting will take place Wednesday, August 12, 2020

Jennifer Humphrey will work with Roseann Peterson-Olson and Lois Knoke on establishing a new date for the “In Your Own Voice” presentation.

The Advisory Council discussed the possibility of having 211/Helpline present. The Division will reach out to the Helpline about presenting.

Future presentation requests and agenda items should be directed to Jennifer Humphrey.

XV. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned.