

MINUTES

BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 5:00 pm

William B. Cammin Clinic, Bay Room, 1010 N. Madison Avenue, Bay City, MI 48708

Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Others Present:
Chris Girard, Ch	X	_____	_____	Toni Reese	X	_____	_____	BABH: Heather Beson, Joelin Hahn, Chris Pinter, and Sara McRae Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA-Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained
Ernie Krygier, V Ch	X	_____	_____	Colleen Maillette, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	
Robert Luce	_____	X	_____	Richard Byrne, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	
Sally Mrozinski	_____	X	_____					

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Action
1.	Call To Order & Roll Call	Committee Chair, C. Girard, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.	On motion of E. Krygier and support of R. Byrne, R. Luce was excused. The motion passed unanimously. On motion of E. Krygier and support of C. Maillette, S. Mrozinski was excused. The motion passed unanimously.
2.	Public Input (Maximum of 3 Minutes)	There were not any members of the public present.	
3.	Requests for Clinical Privileges 3.1) Tami Trea, Nurse Practitioner (NP), – Two-Year Renewal Term Expiring October 31, 2025	3.1) C. Pinter reported this NP position is a direct hire contract position at BABH and reviewed the contract renewal terms. There were general discussions relative to credentials, staffing demands, and the current labor market.	3.1) On motion of E. Krygier and support of C. Maillette, the clinical privileges for Tami Trea, NP, were referred to the full Board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.
4.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business presented.	
5.	New Business 5.1) Medical Examiner Overdose Data & Addictions Treatment in Bay & Arenac Counties, Dr. Morrone	5.1) Bay County Medical Examiner, Dr. Morrone, was not in attendance. County Commissioner and BABH Board Member, C. Maillette, reported data from Bay County Sheriff regarding the number of overdoses and deaths in the Bay County Jail. In 2022 there were 43 overdoses and 3 deaths. In 2023 there were 19 overdoses and 4 deaths.	5.1) No action was necessary

	<p>5.2) Outpatient Services Update, J. Hahn</p>	<p>5.2) J. Hahn reported Bay County is experiencing a significant shortage of professional staff. Administration has been meeting to develop solutions for the shortage of outpatient therapy option for individuals in service. These solutions include a three-pronged approach including the utilization of telehealth outpatient therapy to temporarily fill the need, implementing outpatient group therapy options, and making efforts to directly hiring outpatient therapists. J. Hahn also reported other external factors compounding the issues such as no-shows and non-engagement issues with consumers and the documentation requirements from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) for Medicaid are reportedly stricter than any other state for telehealth providers. C. Pinter reported the provider network is requesting referrals for outpatient therapy be held as the providers are at capacity. There were general discussions relative to the staffing crisis, the availability of telehealth statistics, whether telehealth services help with barriers such as transportation, and the stability of BABH staffing in Arenac County versus Bay County.</p>	<p>5.2) No action was necessary</p>
	<p>5.3) Strategic Initiative Updates & Dashboard Review, J. Hahn & H. Beson</p>	<p>5.3) H. Beson and J. Hahn reviewed the strategic initiatives relative to the Committee’s functions. There were general discussions regarding community living support (CLS) services provided in the residential group homes as outings, whether those services could be expanded with providers such as Do-All and New Dimensions, the Opioid Settlement Funds, and whether a collaborative could be created with the local government entities involved.</p>	<p>5.3) No action was necessary</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>On motion of E. Krygier and support of C. Maillette, the meeting adjourned at 5:26 pm. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	


 Christopher Girard, Committee Chair