

MINUTES

BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, February 8, 2024 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: Joelin Hahn, Heather Beson, Joelin Hahn, Nicole Sweet, and Sara McRae
Ernie Krygier, V Ch	X	_____	_____	Colleen Maillette, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	
Robert Luce	_____	X	_____	Richard Byrne, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	
Sally Mrozinski	X	_____	_____					
Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA- Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained								

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Action
1.	Call To Order & Roll Call	Committee Chair, E. Krygier, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.	On motion of C. Maillette and support of E. Krygier, R. Luce was excused. The motion passed unanimously.
2.	Public Input (Maximum of 3 Minutes)	There were not any members of the public present.	
3.	Clinical Program Review 3.1) Vocational Services, N. Sweet	3.1) N. Sweet provided an update on vocational services noting the vocational providers are Do-All, Inc., New Dimensions, and Arenac Opportunities, Inc. (AOI). N. Sweet reported the Individual Placement Support (IPS) reviews have been completed for all providers. IPS is an evidence-based practice and has been a focus at the state level. N. Sweet gave a brief update on the services each provider is currently offering, the referrals process, the collaborative with Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS), and the expansion of New Dimension offering services in Arenac County. N. Sweet also reported all providers are expanding community living support (CLS) services. There were general discussions regarding the financial history and impacts of COVID, the cash match agreement, and the status of the janitorial services arrangement between the Opportunity Center and North Bay.	3.1) No action was necessary

4.	<p>Requests for Clinical Privileges 4.1) Heather Nix, PhD-LP– Renewal privileges for a two-year term to expire 02/28/2026</p>	<p>4.1) The Committee reviewed the request for clinical privileges.</p>	<p>4.1) On motion of C. Maillette and support of E. Krygier, the clinical privileges for Heather Nix, PhD-LP, were referred to the full Board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.</p>
5.	<p>Unfinished Business</p>	<p>There was not any unfinished business presented to the Committee.</p>	
6.	<p>New Business 6.1) Arenac County Narcan Machine Redeployment Update, J. Hahn 6.2) Outpatient Therapy Expansion Update, J. Hahn 6.3) General Fund Plan Update, C. Pinter</p>	<p>6.1) J. Hahn reported the Narcan machine acquired for Arenac County needs a new location. The machine is too large for the Arenac County Sheriff’s Department. Administration is researching other options such as St. Mary’s Ascension. The resupply plan is in place. There were general discussions regarding athlete Emmit Smith’s advocacy for Narcan and a possible collaborative in Bay and Arenac Counties for increasing public relations. 6.2) J. Hahn reported BABH has a new supervisor for outpatient therapy services and reviewed therapist staffing. Five groups are ready to begin. The goal of implementing internal group therapy is to alleviate pressure from the network providers during this staffing crisis. 6.3) C. Pinter reviewed the revenue funding streams for Medicaid, Healthy Michigan, Autism, and General Fund (GF) dollars. C. Pinter reported GF expenses are trending upward due to Medicaid enrollment changes since COVID, the high demand on outpatient therapy, the lack of mental health providers, and the increased awareness of mental health wellness. During the budget approval process the Board agreed to spend \$1M of the fund balance to cover GF expenses to balance the budget. The GF expenses are currently trending at \$700-800,000 over revenue. It is anticipated that third party insurance billing and local revenue will help to cover this variance. J. Hahn also reported Medicaid re-enrollment issues due to a glitch in the state’s database determining eligibility and the COVID incentive payments effecting the amount of an individual’s spenddown. There were general discussions regarding the state requirements, intricate funding restrictions, the community mental health systems being stretched thin, spenddown amounts, and private pay/third party insurance revenue.</p>	<p>6.1) No action was necessary 6.2) No action was necessary 6.3) No action was necessary</p>

7. Adjournment	On motion of E. Krygier and support of C. Maillette, the meeting adjourned at 5:36pm. The motion passed unanimously.
----------------	--



Christopher Girard, Committee Chair