

# MINUTES

## BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 9, 2024 at 5:00 pm


Room 225, Behavioral Health Center, 201 Mulholland Street, Bay City, MI 48708

<b>Committee Members:</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Committee Members:</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Others Present:</b>
Chris Girard, Ch	X	_____	_____	Pam Schumacher	X	_____	_____	BABH: Carole O'Brien, Heather Beson, Joelin Hahn, Chris Pinter, Rachel Lemiesz, and Sara McRae
Jerome Crete	X	_____	_____	Robert Pawlak, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	
Sally Mrozinski	_____	X	_____	Richard Byrne, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	
Toni Reese	X	_____	_____					
Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA-Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained								

	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 J. Crete and support of R. Byrne, S. Mrozinski
2.	Public Input (Maximum of 3 Minutes)	There were not any members of the public present.	
3.	<b>Nomination &amp; Elections</b> 3.1) Committee Chair  3.2) Committee Vice Chair	3.1) Committee Chair, C. Girard, asked for nominations for Committee Chair. J. Crete nominated C. Girard for Committee Chair. R. Pawlak supported the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Committee Chair, C. Girard, closed nominations. The Committee elected C. Girard as Chair for a term of one year.  3.2) Committee Chair, C. Girard, asked for nominations for Committee Vice Chair. R. Byrne nominated S. Mrozinski for Committee Vice Chair. J. Crete supported the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Committee Chair, C. Girard, closed nominations. The Committee elected S. Mrozinski as Vice Chair for a term of one year.	

4.	<p>Clinical Program Review  4.1) Residential Services, R. Lemiesz</p>	<p>4.1) R. Lemiesz reported on the residential services noting BABH has 28 specialized residential homes and 25 supported independent living programs (SIP) in the provider system. R. Lemiesz reported on the residential home classifications, staffing levels, the referral process, Home and Community Based Service (HCBS) rules, out of county placements, and the process for monitoring individuals on court orders. There were discussions regarding out of county placements, coordinating with families, rates, challenges with availability and staffing levels for higher needs individuals, the oversight procedure required by case managers, HCBS rule compliance, the average bed capacity per residential home, and the trend of seeing more trauma in younger individuals.</p>	<p>4.1) No action was necessary</p>
5.	<p>Unfinished Business</p>	<p>There was not any unfinished business presented to the Committee.</p>	
6.	<p>New Business  6.1) Conflict Free Access &amp; Planning Update, C. Pinter   6.2) Expansion of Inpatient Pediatric Psychiatric Beds, C. Pinter</p>	<p>6.1) C. Pinter reviewed the Medicaid waivers, covered services, and revenue sources for each. C. Pinter reported that Michigan transferred governmental responsibility from the state to the local counties for public mental health services. The community mental health (CMH) system is a public system and is not for profit. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has recently interpreted an administrative rule that CMH agencies have a conflict due to their referral and service structure. However, their revenue is set by capitated rates in Michigan and CMHs are not paid by the individuals services they provide. C. Pinter noted possible solutions in an email addressed to MDHHS such as disclosing to individuals in services or extending existing conflict free strategies to the 1915 waiver. The Community Mental Health Association (CMHA) is advocating to have the legislature resolve the matter as well. C. Pinter will continue to monitor the situation and keep the Board updated. There could be a possibility of requesting the county commissions help in the advocacy efforts by passing a resolution in the future.</p> <p>6.2) C. Pinter reported Representative Beson got money set aside for inpatient pediatric beds in Bay and Saginaw Counties. McLaren Bay</p>	<p>6.1) No action was necessary   6.2) No action was necessary</p>

	<p>6.3) Revised General Fund (GF) Eligibility Plan, J. Hahn</p> <p>6.4) Strategic Initiatives Update, H. Beson &amp; J. Hahn</p>	<p>Region has reported in the past that the addition of pediatric beds is not in their long-term plans for the inpatient unit. HealthSource in Saginaw County may still be an option. Representative Beson is having his office review other possible options for this funding opportunity.</p> <p>6.3) J. Hahn reported the general fund (GF) portion of BABH's budget is minimal compared to the Medicaid portion. The GF dollars are used for the uninsured and underinsured for services such as inpatient hospitalizations, community living supports (CLS), jail diversion, the Bay County Juvenile Home, and to assist individuals with spend-downs. BABH is required by law to provide services to all but is allowed to prioritize individuals based on need. J. Hahn also reported administration will be presenting a GF Eligibility Plan next month to help establish criteria due to the demand on this funding source this fiscal year (FY).</p> <p>6.4) H. Beson and J. Hahn reviewed the strategic initiatives and dashboard graphs relative to the committee's functions.</p>	<p>6.3) No action was necessary</p> <p>6.4) No action was necessary</p>
7.	Adjournment	On motion of J. Crete and support of R. Pawlak, the meeting adjourned at 6:06 pm. The motion passed unanimously.	

  
 Committee Chair, Christopher Girard