

# MINUTES

## BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, August 8, 2024 at 5:00 pm

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

Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Others Present:
Chris Girard, Ch	X	_____	_____	Pam Schumacher	X	_____	_____	BABH: Heather Beson, Joelin Hahn, Chris Pinter, Stacy Krasinski, and Sara McRae  Legend: M-Motion; S-Support; MA-Motion Adopted; AB-Abstained
Sally Mrozinski, V Ch	X	_____	_____	Robert Pawlak, Ex Off	_____	X	_____	
Jerome Crete	X	_____	_____	Richard Byrne, Ex Off	X	_____	_____	
Toni Reese	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 R. Byrne and support of J. Crete, R. Pawlak 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) Emergency and Access Services (EAS), S. Krasinski	3.1) S. Krasinski, EAS Manager, reported the EAS Department is responsible for crisis calls and screening individuals for eligibility. S. Krasinski reviewed the data for crisis contacts and access screens. The amount of crisis contacts and eligibility calls increases each year. BABH also has an office in McLaren’s Emergency Department for after-hours access. BABH also provides EAS services for other community mental health (CMH) agencies such as Tuscola, Huron, and Shiawassee as determined by individual contracts. S. Krasinski also reported on initiatives under the EAS Department including the Mobile Response Team (MRT), telephonic monitoring when ordered by the physician, hospital/court services, jail diversion services, and juvenile detention center services. There were general discussions	3.1) No action was necessary

		regarding the correlation of increased crisis contacts and inpatient hospitalizations, crisis contacts and the follow up process, the increased homeless population and difficulties with outreach, coordination with local law enforcement, procedures of local shelter, and the reimbursements for EAS services contracted to other CMHs.	
4.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business presented.	
5.	<p><b>New Business</b></p> <p>5.1) Arenac County Narcan Machine Update, C. Pinter</p> <p>5.2) Rose Adult Foster Care Home Update, H. Beson</p> <p>5.3) Advocacy Update, C. Pinter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Expansion of Children’s Psychiatric Beds in Bay County</li> <li>b. Conflict Free Access and Planning</li> <li>c. Bay City Crisis Residential</li> </ul>	<p>5.1) C. Pinter reported the Narcan machine in Arenac County will be relocated to a business at the corner of Worth and Huron Road. This relocation was possible due to the partnership with the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe. C. Pinter also reported Midstate Health Network (MSHN) has recently contracted with Ten Sixteen as the substance use disorder (SUD) education and prevention provider for Arenac County and will assist in resupplying the Narcan vending machine.</p> <p>5.2) H. Beson reported Bay Human Services (BHS) provided contract termination notice for the Rose Home, which is effective at the end of August. Rose Home will move into a community living support (CLS) arrangement until the new provider, Valley Residential, Inc., is fully transitioned. The temporary CLS arrangement does require one individual move from Rose Home due to licensing requirements. BABH staff will cover Rose Home services until the new provider is fully transitioned. BABH administration is confident of the transition plan and ensuring consumer care is top priority. C. Pinter also reported this is a Bay County owned property. There will be additional work necessary for temporary lease arrangements and utilities.</p> <p>5.3) C. Pinter reported the meeting with Representative Beson and McLaren administration regarding the potential expansion of children’s psychiatric beds in Bay County was successful. It has been confirmed that the funds appropriated by the legislature are still available. The Certificate of Needs (CON) Commission conveyed that most children’s inpatient psychiatric beds for Bay and Arenac Counties</p>	<p>5.1) No action was necessary</p> <p>5.2) No action was necessary</p> <p>5.3) No action necessary</p>

		<p>are already assigned to Health Source in Saginaw. However, there is a pilot program which would allow ten additional beds for children in an effort to respond to community needs and reduce the number of children being temporarily boarded in local emergency rooms. This information was forwarded to McLaren's administration. C. Pinter also reported the conflict free access and planning advocacy is continuing and reviewed the letter sent to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Director Hertel, which reaffirms that community mental health (CMH) agencies are government entities under state law and already prohibited from making care decisions based on financial gain. C. Pinter reported the deadline to comply with the conflict free access and planning guidelines has been delayed. C. Pinter reported the crisis residential facility planned for the old Union Home location is progressing. The property has been leased to the provider and a licensing agent has been assigned. If the transition continues as anticipated, it is hopeful the five-bed crisis residential facility will be operational by Fall. This facility will be an alternative to inpatient hospitalization.</p>	
6.	Adjournment	On motion of S. Mrozinski and support of P. Schumacher, the meeting adjourned at 5:39 pm. The motion passed unanimously.	

  
Christopher Girard, Committee Chair