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BAY ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 5:00 pm

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

Committee Members:	Present	Excused	Absent		Present	Excused	Absent	Others Present:
Christopher Girard, Ch	X	_____	_____	Pam Schumacher	X	_____	_____	BABH: Karen Amon, Chris Pinter, Sarah Holsinger, 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	_____	_____	
Vacant	_____	_____	_____		_____	_____	_____	

	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 S. Mrozinski, 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.	Unfinished Business	There was not any unfinished business presented.	
4.	New Business 4.1) Requests for clinical privileges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Nicholas Lazurka, PA-C – renewal privileges for a three-year term expiring January 31, 2028 b) Andrew Meyer, DO – renewal privileges for a three-year term expiring January 31, 2028 c) Melissa Wazny – PMHNP-BC – renewal privileges for a three-year term expiring January 31, 2028 d) Maggie Ross – PA-C renewal privileges for a three-year term expiring January 31, 2028 	4.1) The Committee reviewed the requests for clinical privileges.	4.1) On motion of R. Byrne and support of S. Mrozinski, the requests for clinical privileges were referred to the full board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.

<p>4.2) Policies Beginning 30-day review: a) Prescriber Practice Guidelines for Co-Occurring Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders, 04-24-04 (deletion) b) Welcoming, 04-24-01 (deletion)</p> <p>4.3) Provider Survey Summary Report 2024</p> <p>4.4) Rose Home Transition</p> <p>4.5) Revised Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) Structure</p>	<p>4.2) C. Pinter reviewed the proposed policies for deletion.</p> <p>4.3) S. Holsinger reported the provider survey is distributed annually to contracted providers for completion. S. Holsinger reviewed the survey results noting the response received, there were nine survey questions, and all scores were well above the standard. S. Holsinger also reviewed the comments received from additional questions and the process how the data from the survey results is utilized. There were general discussions related to the survey being a useful tool to analyze trends, impact of remote work, the response rate, and that the county-based community mental health (CMH) system is based on partnerships.</p> <p>4.4) C. Pinter provided an update on the Rose home transition noting Valley Residential, Inc. officially took over management of the home on December 29, 2024. BABH is still providing staff support where needed and anticipates all this support will end on January 20, 2025.</p> <p>4.5) C. Pinter reviewed the proposed agency organization chart and caseloads for clinical operations noting the re-organization of services into a third population department distributes caseloads more evenly. This new position is for oversight of services to children’s and families due to the expansion of autism and outpatient services during the last few years. This proposal also expands potential succession planning options for clinical leadership. An existing SLT members will be transferring into the new Integrated Services for Children and Families position, and this will create vacancies for both the acute and long-term care clinical director responsibilities. BABH plans to recruit from within the organization as much as possible and will only be posting these opportunities for internal staff at this time. There were general discussions regarding the importance for the Chief Executive Officer to have the flexibility to operate the agency and clarification of hiring policies.</p>	<p>4.2) On motion of J. Crete and support of P. Schumacher, policies beginning 30-day review were referred to the full board for approval. The motion was adopted unanimously.</p> <p>4.3) No action was necessary</p> <p>4.4) No action was necessary</p> <p>4.5) No action was necessary</p>
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	4.6) Waskul Settlement Update	4.6) C. Pinter provided an update on the Waskul Settlement noting the judge is planning to accept the settlement as agreed upon. This lawsuit is from 2016 as the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has historically underfunded community living support services in many areas of the state. There are concerns related to the discrepancies created in staff pay for similar classifications because of the settlement and its impact on an already difficult labor market. There are additional contingencies before this process can move forward including acceptance by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), agreements by the other Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs) and adequate funding through the legislative appropriations process.	4.6) No action was necessary
5.	Adjournment	On motion of S. Mrozinski and support of P. Schumacher, the meeting adjourned at 5:34 pm. The motion passed unanimously.	



Christopher Girard, Committee Chair