

NORTH SOUND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Agenda

February 8, 2011
1:00 PM

1. Call to Order - Introductions, Chair – 5 minutes
2. Revisions to the Agenda, Chair – 5 minutes
3. Approval of the December 2010 Meeting Minutes, Chair – 5 minutes
4. Ombuds Report
5. Correspondence and Comments from the Chair – 5 minutes
6. New Business:
 - a. Finance & Executive Committee appointments
 - b. Advocacy at Legislature during session
 - c. Origami
7. Old Business:
 - a.
8. Monthly Committee Reports
 - a. Executive Director's Report – Chuck Benjamin – 5 minutes
 - b. Finance Committee – 5 minutes
 - c. Executive Committee/Agenda Committee – 5 minutes
 - d. QMOC Report – 5 minutes
9. Items To Be Brought Forward To The Board of Directors – Chuck Benjamin, Executive Director
 - a. Consent Agenda
 - b. Action Items
 - c. Introduction Items
10. Comments from County Advisory Board Representatives – 15 minutes
 - a. Island
 - b. San Juan
 - c. Skagit
 - d. Snohomish
 - e. Whatcom
11. Comments from Public – 5 minutes
12. Other Business
13. Adjournment

NOTE: The next Advisory Board meeting will be **April 5, 2011**, in the NSMHA Conference Room.

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**North Sound Mental Health Administration (NSMHA)
MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD**

February 8, 2011

1:00 – 3:00

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| Present: | Island: San Juan: Skagit: Snohomish: Whatcom: |
| Excused Absence: | |
| Absent: | |
| Staff: | |
| Guests: | |

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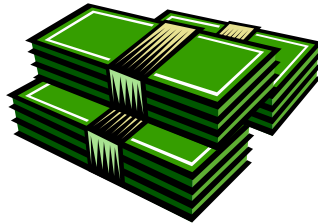
| TOPIC | DISCUSSION | ACTION |
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| CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS | | |
| Chair Trautman | The Chair convened the meeting at and introductions were made. | Informational |
| REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA | | |
| Chair Trautman | The Chair asked for any revisions to the agenda and | Informational |
| APPROVAL OF MINUTES | | |
| Chair Trautman | The Chair asked for any revisions to the December minutes. | Informational |
| OMBUDS REPORT | | |
| Chuck Davis | | Informational |
| COMMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE CHAIR | | |
| Chair Trautman | | Informational |
| NEW BUSINESS | | |
| Chair Trautman | | Informational |
| OLD BUSINESS | | |
| Chair Trautman | | Informational |
| MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORTS | | |
| | Executive Director's Report | |
| Chuck Benjamin | | Informational |
| | Finance Committee | |
| Mary Good | | Informational |
| | Executive/Agenda Committee | |
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| | Quality Management Oversight Committee (QMOC) Report | |

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| ITEMS BROUGHT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS | | |
| | Introduction and Action Items | |
| Chuck Benjamin | | Informational |
| COMMENTS FROM COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS | | |
| Island | | Informational |
| San Juan | <p>Happy New Year to everyone. I think we can all agree that 2010 was a very difficult year. The state budget remains an incredible challenge and it's not over yet. State agencies are struggling to interpret the latest proposed cuts in the supplemental budget, not to mention what's coming for 2011 – 2013, while local communities scramble to deal with the impacts.</p> <p>In spite of these challenges we have a lot to be thankful for. We are blessed with a tremendous wealth of human resource, good will, and experience in our local communities and from our regional and state partners. I am proud to say that the folks in our region continue to come together to try to solve the very difficult problems that are impacting each and every system we work with, and they are doing so with grace and generosity. It is an honor to work with such a fine group of people. We look forward to a brighter future as we continue to serve our clients and communities to the best of our ability.</p> <p>At this time I would like to in acknowledge former San Juan County Sheriff Bill Cumming, and former San Juan County Council Member Bob Myhr, and ask that you join me in thanking them for their all their work on behalf of the citizens of San Juan County, and for their support of the Human Services programs. It has been an honor to work with these fine gentlemen, and we wish them all the best in their future endeavors.</p> <p>Mental Health – Jamie Stephens, newly elected County Council Member from Lopez Island, has been appointed as San Juan County's representative to the North Sound Mental Health Administration Board (NSMHA) of Directors. We welcome Jamie and look forward to working with him. We are in the process of scheduling an introductory meeting with Chuck Benjamin as soon as possible.</p> <p>I met with Bill Cumming and Rob Nou to discuss the mental health and the historical collaborative efforts between the Sheriff's Office and the human services programs. It was a very good meeting and we look forward to working with Sheriff Nou in the future.</p> <p>The Jail Services program, previously eliminated then salvaged for 6 months through North Sound Mental Health Administration, was restored in the state budget, at least for the time being. It is funded through a Legislative Proviso and as such was deemed that it cannot be eliminated without approval of the Legislature.</p> | Informational |

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| | <p>Catherine Ellis, Mary Ann Slabaugh, and this writer participated in a service prioritization meeting at North Sound on 1/7 in Mount Vernon. We broke up into counties and each county was given 10 dots to prioritize services. Adult and child outpatient, crisis services including Designated Mental Health Professionals and Volunteers of America crisis line, crisis stabilization beds, and county collaboration were deemed priority services by our county group. Our thanks to Mary Ann and Catherine for their efforts.</p> <p>The above information was tallied across the region and presented for discussion at a 2 –day NSMHA Board of Directors work session on January 12 – 13. Provider staff, advisor board representatives, and advocates joined the Board of Directors for a thoughtful discussion of the challenges of having to reduce funding, maintaining mandated services, and balancing the need for acute and chronic care services. Also discussed was health care reform and how to prepare in an environment of uncertainty. There is considerable momentum to integrate primary care and behavioral health care at the state level, although the efforts to do this through the Molina pilot have allegedly not achieved the desired results. There is considerable concern re: what this approach to health care reform will do to the most vulnerable populations who are more difficult and consequently more expensive to treat. Senator Hargrove has just requested that the Regional Support Networks speak to the Legislature about the matter.</p> <p>San Juan County received accolades from NSMHA for our participation in providing the Medicaid match funding for the region through our 1/10th of 1% sales tax dollars. This translates to over a million dollars per year for the Region and the equivalent of 7,850 mental health clinical hours.</p> <p>1/10th of 1% mental health sales tax. I am pleased to report that we have received the blessing of our Prosecuting Attorney’s office to circulate the Community Wellness Program contracts for signature. The Family Resource Centers are standing by to begin work as soon as possible.</p> <p>We are scheduling monitoring reviews for the school based mental health services contracts. We continue working with the Lopez School District to get their billings up to date.</p> <p>We need to discuss the process for reviewing the 1/10th of 1% programs which will be on the agenda for the meeting on 1/24.</p> <p>We continue to work with Superior Court, Juvenile Court, and Dept. of Corrections re: implementation of the 1/10th programs.</p> <p>Developmental Disabilities – The technical assistance workshop we had scheduled with David Black on November 23rd was postponed due to weather. We are aiming to reschedule the first week in March.</p> | |
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| | <p>Washington Vocational Services has provided a corrective action plan to their monitoring site visit, enclosed.</p> <p>After an appeal to DDD Director Linda Rolfe, Catherine Ellis, Lynn Van Vactor, and I travelled to Mount Vernon to meet with Jane Boone from Central Office to discuss our program budget and the devastating impacts of the proposed budget cuts. It is still a work in progress, but we made some headway. WVS's budget was blessed as having no fat, and this was a major step forward.</p> <p>Substance Abuse – We have received Compass Health's Chemical Dependency program corrective action plan as a result of our monitoring visit in November. It will be made available at the meeting on 1/24.</p> <p>We need to discuss the 2011 – 2013 contract cycle, also on the agenda for 1/24.</p> <p>Please see Steve Gresham's enclosed report for Prevention activities.</p> <p>We are scheduled to provide our annual report on the Human Services Programs to the County Council on February 3rd.</p> | |
| Skagit | | Informational |
| Snohomish | | Informational |
| Whatcom | | Informational |
| COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC | | |
| Chair Trautman | The Chair asked for any comments from the public and | Informational |
| OTHER BUSINESS | | |
| Chair Trautman | | Informational |
| ADJOURNMENT | | |
| Chair Trautman | made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded and motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at and the next meeting will be April 5, 2011. | Informational |



Advisory Board

Pre-Meeting

February 8, 2011

12:15

Compass Health - FBG funds

By

Jocelyn Van Coney