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| | <h1 style="margin: 0;">Mental Health Advisory Committee</h1> <h2 style="margin: 0; color: red;">Minutes – March 7, 2019</h2> |
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| Members Present | Members Absent | Ex-Officio and Staff Present | Ex-Officio and Staff Absent | Guests |
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| Jeannette Bjorklund | Scott Davis | Rebecca Garcia-for Scott Green | Raymond Crowel | Samikshya Sapkota |
| Garrett Mannchen | Michelle Grigsby-Hackett | | Meredith Peace | Ziva Azhad |
| Tami Mark | Jennifer Jones | | Deborah Phillips | Jessica Kronstadt |
| Libby Nealis | Daphne Klein | | | Susan Augusty |
| Elizabeth Rathbone | David Myles | | | |
| Celia Serkin | Jasmine Pearson | | | |
| Susan Smith | | | | |
| Jennifer Grinnell for Karishma Sheth | | | | |
| Amy Sutter | | | | |

I. Introductions

II. Welcome MHAC Members and Guests (Jeannette Bjorklund, Chair)

III. **Speaker – Susan Augusty, Collaboration Council**, reviewed InfoMontgomery website (infomontgomery.org), resource guides for services, short PSA video introducing infoMontgomery describing what it can do.

- Can search for specific type of service providers or for specific target populations
Not currently synced with SAMHSA database of providers.

Send to admin@infomontgomery.org if want your service provider listed or to make recommendations of providers.

- Can run Google analytic reports to see what MoCo population are searching. Includes information such as insurance accepted, transportation, etc.
- Metro and bus lines overlaid so can see how accessible services are.
- Calendar of events (e.g., opioid education and awareness community forum)—can submit your events to susan.augusty@collaborationcouncil.org
- Blog.
- Funded by DHHS.

IV. Speaker: Libby Nealis reviewed federal programs and funding streams for mental health.

- IDEA: 15% must go to early intervention services (largest federal funding stream)
- ESEA
- Title I (second largest federal funding stream): allowable use for counseling, mental health, PBIS, MTSS; Part D includes children in foster care or who are at-risk
Targeted resources for schools who need improving
Comprehensive needs assessment on how schools will address issues and deficits
- Title II: professional development, teacher prep, recruitment
- Title IV, Part A: Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants (21st Century Schools (was safe and drug-free schools))
- *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)*: shifted from federal to more state and local control.
- Must now include at least one “non-academic” indicator of school success, such as climate, bullying, discipline
- OCR: collecting data on access as an equity issue
- SAMHSA grants
- Reimbursement for Medicaid-eligible students
- MHAC will consider initiatives for which to advocate with County Council and County Executive.

V. Prioritize youth mental health needs to draft letter to County Council.

VI. Letter on Parity: SB631/HB599 would require MD to review health plans annually (what MHAC had advocated last year). Motion to support letter, seconded, passed.

VII. **Minutes:** January and February Minutes: Motion to approve, seconded, passed.

VIII. **Announcements**

- Spring Forum: Theme: Wellness in the Family. Speaker: Sara Rose. Contact Diane if interested in having a table.
- Deadline for vacancies for MHAC has passed. Diane will review resumes and interviews will be scheduled soon.
- MHAC website in development.

IX. Behavioral Health and Crisis Services Update

- Beginning of April, new DHHS director should be announced.
- March is TBI Month. Governor’s mansion is lit in green. State encouraging MD residents, when they review their driver’s license, to donate \$1 for

individuals with TBI. Lack of funding for TBI (TBI can be considered medical health or mental health, depending on location and age at time of injury).

- BHA working on their policies and will be uploaded for access. Also working on developing a treatment/provider locator service within MD.
- MD Office of Consumer Affairs: 5 listening sessions around the state and will result in report summarizing outcomes. Top 10 priorities will be listed.
- No-cost, 2-day peer summit May 15 and 16, 2019.

X. Announcements:

- Bridges to the Future Open House, March 20, 2019, 3:00–7:00 p.m. 13321 New Hampshire Avenue, Suite 101, Silver Spring, MD 20904 (240) 706-5491 RSVP @ bridgestothefuture.org
- *Angst* screening (including handout on anxiety)
- Orange t-shirt foundation funding Sources of Strength and NAMI Walk.

XI. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.