MEMORANDUM

To: Mental Health Board Meeting Guests
From: Jamie Busch, PhD, Assistant Director
Date: March 6, 2017
Subject: MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The next Mental Health Board Meeting will be held on:
Monday, March 13, 2017, 5:00 pm
1027 Hooper Avenue, Bldg. 2, 3rd Floor, Toms River, NJ 08754

Please contact our office (Mroussos@co.ocean.nj.us) or 732-506-5374 x2649 to confirm your attendance or to indicate that you plan to call in to the meeting. Call in 732-506-5374. Thank you and we look forward to your attendance.

AGENDA

Call To Order/Sign In/Compliance Statement

Approval of Mental Health Board Minutes – February 6, 2017

Old Business

Executive Committee ~ Anthony Zazzarino
By-Laws Committee ~ Kimberly Reilly
Nominating/Membership Committee ~ Kimberly Reilly
Budget and Program Review Committee ~ Mike Roche
Professional Advisory Committee ~ Kim Veith
Emergency Response Committee ~ Barbara Miles
Justice Involved Services ~ Michael Roche
Systems Review Committee ~ Joe Cuffari/Joann Jason

Community Reports and Updates

New Jersey Div. of Mental Health and Addiction Svcs ~ Karen Wapner
CIACC/Children’s System of Care ~ Kelly Mitchell
Mental Health Awareness Committee ~ Michael Roche
Legislative Advocacy Committee ~ Michael Roche
Local Advisory Council, Alcoholism and Drug Abuse ~ Kimberly Reilly

New Business

Announcements

Adjournment
CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Kimberly Reilly called the Mental Health Board meeting to order at 5:00pm. Attendance was taken by roll call and sign in sheet. Introductions were made.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT
Having been published in all local newspapers, this meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE
MHB Members PRESENT
Lisa Detlefs
Michael Jones
Kimberly Reilly
Michael Roche
Lori Enquist-Schmidt
Candy Stalteri

GUESTS PRESENT
James Castorina
Jim Cooney
Joe Cuffari
Holly Duncan
Vanessa Lefevre
Joy Reinhart
Judy Schwartzhoff
Karen Wapner

STAFF PRESENT
Jamie Busch
Maria Roussos

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Candy Stalteri and Mike Roche moved to approve the Mental Health Board meeting minutes of November 14, 2016. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS
MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS
Executive Committee – Kimberly Reilly
Kimberly Reilly reported that the Committee discussed a news article included in the meeting packet. Governor Christie announced the State would be adding nearly 900 more treatment beds for substance abuse and mental health. The Governor authorized the Department of Health to issue a Certificate of Need (CN) call to invite hospitals to add approximately 864 new inpatient psychiatric beds. It was stated that at least 5% of the beds would be earmarked for individuals without insurance and 5% for Medicaid recipients. It is unclear if State funds are appropriated to DMHAS to support the beds for indigent patients. Discussion ensued about the CN process, how this would affect the system of care, and how this would affect Ocean County.
In addition, the Committee discussed the Mental Health plan update. The last plan update was completed in 2012 for the period of 2013 through 2016. It was agreed to delay the next local planning process until 2018 after the Fee-For-Service (FFS) and Community Support Services (CSS) initiatives are fully implemented.

By-Laws Report – Kimberly Reilly
No report.

**Nominating/Membership Committee – Kimberly Reilly**
Kimberly Reilly stated that the Board has three open spots. The Committee will meet in April to further discuss.

**Budget and Program Review Committee – Michael Roche**
Mike Roche reported the Board members have copies of the Calendar Year 2017 Contract renewal recommendations for PESS and MHA in their packets. The letters need the Board’s ratification. Mike Jones and Candy Stalteri moved to approve. All in favor, motion carried.

Jamie Busch mentioned that an analysis of the County funding awards to support community mental health services in CY2017 was included in the Board Member’s meeting packets. Contracts were awarded to Ocean Mental Health Services, Preferred Behavioral Group, and Monmouth Medical Center Southern Campus for PESS.

**Professional Advocacy Committee – Kim Veith**
Jamie Busch reported that the PAC met on January 5, 2017. The Committee discussed the State transitions to Fee for Service and Community Support Services. The Committee has convened a Veterans Task Force with local Providers that work with Veterans. This Taskforce will form sub-groups focusing around Veteran’s needs and Substance Use Disorder treatment, resource sharing, local problem solving around access and possibly sponsor an educational opportunity. There was also discussion on convening a workgroup on access to co-occurring mental health and substance abuse services. The next PAC meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2017 at 9:30am.

**Emergency Response Committee – Barbara Miles**
No report. The next ERC meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2017.

**Justice Involved Services Task Force – Michael Roche**
Michael Roche reported that Task Force met on January 25, 2017. The JIS program reported 15 active cases with two cases pending and the Prosecutor Led Diversion program reported 14 cases with three cases pending. The “Law Enforcement Response to Individuals with Special Needs/Mental Health Issues” 8 hour training has held two classes to date. The first class was attended by 20 officers and the second class 72 officers. The 5th Crisis Intervention Team training held on December 5-9 had 35 participants.

There was discussion at the JIS Task Force meeting regarding identification challenges for individuals that have their license suspended or revoked by the court. The individual must surrender their physical drivers license on the spot. If the person does not have another form of picture id, they are unable to get one and face barriers with medical appointments, receiving services, and so on. The next JIS meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2017 at 2:00 pm.

**Systems Review Committee – Joseph Cuffari**
Joe Cuffari reported that, at the November meeting, a case review was presented regarding a patient who needed long term, acute care but instead was recommended by Centralized Admissions for a diversion bed. Discussion will continue at the February meeting.

**COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES**
**NJ Division of Mental Health & Addiction Services – Karen Wapner**

**Opioid Overdose Recovery Program**  
Purpose: utilizing Recovery Specialists and Patient Navigators to engage individuals reversed from opioid overdose to provide non-clinical assistance, recovery supports and appropriate referrals for assessment and substance use disorder treatment;  
- Agency: Mercer Council on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction; Annualized funding: $255,750. Date of final award: 1/27/17

CN call notice as announced in the press on 1/31/17  
- Governor Christie announced there would be a total of 864 beds available in Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Salem, Sussex and Warren Counties.  
- These are inpatient psychiatric beds; voluntary OR involuntary.  
- 5% of awarded bed days must be reserved for Medicaid recipients.  
- 5% of awarded bed days must be reserved for indigent care.  
- There will be no state aid associated with this CN call.  
- Any applicant will have to anticipate how their expected payor mix will support the additional beds.

Questions and concerns regarding fee for service can be sent to FFS.Transition@dhs.state.nj.us.

**CIACC System of Care – Kelly Mitchell**  
Jamie Busch stated that CIACC, in partnership with Ocean County College, will be hosting the 2017 Ocean County Community and Social Service Organizations Information Day on February 23, 2017 from 10:00am-2:00pm at Ocean County College campus. A flyer was included in the meeting packet. A similar event, in partnership with Georgian Court College, will be held in April.

**Mental Health Awareness Committee – Michael Roche/ Jamie Busch**  
Mike Roche announced that the annual Celebrating Wellness event will be held on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 5:30pm at the Ocean County Library, Toms River Branch. The Provider Fair will be held prior to the event at 4:30pm. Jamie Busch encouraged the group to submit nominations for the Advocate Award, which honors individuals and/or groups that have made a difference to help reduce stigma; a flyer with details was included in the meeting packet. Jamie also mentioned the 2017 Ambassador Awards Criteria Honoring Law Enforcement Professionals; a flyer was included in the meeting packet.

**Legislative Advocacy Committee – Michael Roche**  
Mike Roche reported the Committee met on January 30, 2017. Mike stated that the 9th, 10th and 30th Legislative Districts sent a letter to the State stating their concerns about the rates for medication monitoring and the implementation of a standardized sliding fee scale in November 2016. The Department of Human Services responded in January 2017 and, just last week, it was announced that the medication monitoring rate was modified. No further information has been released regarding the sliding fee scale, despite that the first 16 mental
health agencies transitioned to FFS as of January 1. Mike stated that the Committee may request additional help with this issue from the Legislative Districts.

**LACADA Committee – Kimberly Reilly**
Kim Reilly announced that the new funding cycle began January 1, 2017. Core Health was added as a residential provider in South Amboy. The State now allows young adults 18, 19, and 20 years of age to access treatment through PerformCare.
Kim announced that the Ocean County Health Department (lead), the DEA for NJ & NY, the Ocean County Prosecutors Office, and the Medical Examiner are forming an Overdose Fatality Team (similar to the Maryland model). This team will collaboratively review the history of each person who dies by overdose, to help answer questions such as: where are the gaps in the system of care, what were the missed opportunities to intervene in the person’s life, why so many overdoses in Ocean County, etc. Ocean County will be the model for the State. Kick-off is scheduled for March or April.

**First Episode Psychosis Program**
James Castorina from Oak Integrated Care announced that the program has made 650 outreaches to date to schools, clergy, NAMI. They have seven clients in program and twenty referrals, of which two or three are from Ocean County.

**NEW BUSINESS**
Mike Jones referred to a news article that reported that Ancora is not allowing patients’ families to bring in clothes or personal affects, not allowing outside food into the facility, and rumors that patients will have to wear uniforms instead of civilian clothes. Discussion ensued. It was reported that no official policy has changed, perhaps this is a change in policy enforcement. Karen Wapner offered to seek clarification from DMHAS.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**
Jim Cooney announced that Ocean Mental Health, in partnership with Hope Sheds Light, will be holding the Spring Educational Workshop on March 24, 2017. Register on the Ocean Mental Health website.
Jim also announced the Art and Soul Brunch fundraiser on February 19, 2017, 11am-2pm at the Grunin Center. Register on the Ocean Mental Health website.

Mike Roche announced the annual NAMI NJ Walk will be held on May 13, 2017.

**ADJOURNMENT**
Michael Jones and Mike Roche moved to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting at 5:52 pm. All were in favor.

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Lisa Detlefs                        Date
Secretary, OCMHB

Prepared by Maria Roussos/jb