

## Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2019 1:00 P.M. O'Brien County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

The Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board met with the following members present: Bill Leupold, Dickinson County Representative (NWIACC Chair); Sherri Bootsma, O'Brien County Representative; Barry Anderson, Clay County Representative (NWIACC Vice Chair); Jayson Vande Hoef, Osceola County Representative (NWIACC Secretary); Mark Behrens, Lyon County Representative; and Craig Merrill, Palo Alto County Representative. Those also in attendance were: Barb Rohwer, Regional Fiscal Agent; Kim Wilson, NWIACC CEO; Abby Wallin, Mental Health Advocate; Kim Rhode, Spencer Hospital, Shante Whalen, Seasons Center ACT; Emily Rohlk, Seasons Center Crisis; and Scott Witte, Hope Haven Inc.

Bill Leopold called the meeting to order 1:05 P.M.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to approve the agenda, with the amendment of discussion about the April meeting date, motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2019 meeting. Motion carried by all ayes.

Correspondence to/from the region was reviewed and discussed. The region is currently in the midst of an annual audit. There will be an audit entrance conference completed with the auditors in the very near future.

Kim provided the board with legislative updates. Kim reported to the board that Governor Kim Reynolds released a Children's Mental Health Bill this morning.

Moved by Sherri Bootsma, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve the following claims. Motion carried by all ayes.

CEDAR VALLEY RANCH	SERV	1,571.39
CLAY CO AUDITOR	VEHICLE EXP	977.90
CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	157.72
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	1,293.91
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	EXP	39.77
DUHN, SUE	MLGE	30.00
GREER LAW OFFICE	SERV	75.00
HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	17,237.33
ISAC	EXP	190.00
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	6,413.28
NW IA YES CENTER	SERV	501.40
O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	556.00
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE EXP	24.20
PALO ALTO CO HOSPITAL	SERV	750.00
PLAINS AREA MENTAL HLTH CENTER	SERV	960.00

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY	SERV	3,176.93
ROCKHILL, LISA	EXP	55.00
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	165.37
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	53,255.21
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	37,946.59
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE EXP	82.52
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	2,665.21
WALLIN, ABBY	MLGE	58.00
WILSON, KIM	MLGE	72.80

The Region fund balance after today's claims is \$2,234,796.40

Other fiscal reporting included discussion about the mental health advocate position extended services to Sioux and Plymouth Counties beginning July 1, 2019. Current billing procedures and 28E agreement were discussed with board members.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the Palo Alto County Hospital Contract at \$750 per visit. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef, to approve the Turning Pointe Crisis Stabilization contract at \$400 per day. Motion carried by all ayes.

Kim provided the board with an exception to policy for rent as a point of reference and information. The request for rent was in regards to an individual transitioning from regional funded residential care (residential care facility) to Medicaid funded residential care (habilitation home). Kim reported to the board that the executive board reviewed the urgent request, took action and approved this request for \$111.

Kim provided the board with a request for transportation as a point of reference and information. The request for transportation funding regarded an individual who required transportation as part of a transition from region funded residential care (residential care facility) to Medicaid funded residential care (habilitation home). Action was taken by the executive board, who reviewed the urgent request, and approved the request for \$355.04 in projected transportation costs.

The board discussed advisory board membership. Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Barry Anderson to invite all contracted providers to advisory board meetings and each county in the region will be represented by one consumer family membership. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Sherri Bootsma to approve the CCBHC agreement with Seasons Center. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve marketing expenses of \$402 for regional crisis postcards. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the emergent/urgent housing and basic needs funding policy with the following changes: application fee is limited to three times per fiscal year, and clients are not subject to collections or cost recovery. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the revised 28E agreement reflective of Lyon County exiting the region. Motion carried by all ayes.

The board discussed the April meeting date. The next meeting will be April 30, 2019 at 1:00 P.M. in the O'Brien County Courthouse Assembly Room.

Updates from the following programs were presented to the board:

Assertive Community Treatment – The ACT program has a full staff, who are currently participating in a variety of trainings. The ACT program is enrolling at good rate and are currently serving eight individuals. They are waiting on two authorizations, if approved, they will then be serving ten individuals.

Mobile Crisis – Hiring for the 24/7 in the western counties continues. The eastern counties are up and running smoothly with 24/7 coverage.

Peer Support – Hope Haven continues to get referrals for peer support at a steady pace. Most individuals who have been referred to the program on regional funding have been transitioned to T19 for funding.

Jail Services – Individuals in the county jails within the NWIACC region continue to be seen for assessment and medication management.

Jail Release Care Coordination – Referrals for this program are slow. People are being met with in the jails, but the service duration is somewhat short-term.

Transitional Living Network – The transitional living network continues to work on their central intake form, and the concepts of no wrong door and warm handoffs.

C3 De-escalation – Trainers continue to train in the region.

IPS Employment – The IPS program has increased referrals, caseloads, and job placement.

Zero Suicide – Zero suicide had a meeting in Osceola County.

Spencer Hospital – Spencer Hospital is still in the process of hiring staff for the outpatient clinic. The goal is to start having outpatient coverage beginning April 1, 2019.

There was no public comment.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Barry Anderson to adjourn at 2:42 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abby Wallin – NWIACC Recording Secretary