

# Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2018 1:00 p.m. O'Brien County Courthouse

The Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board met with the following members present: Bill Leupold, Dickinson County Representative (NWIACC Chair); Tom Farnsworth O'Brien County Representative (NWIACC Vice Chair); Mark Behrens; Lyon County Representative, (NWIACC Secretary); Jayson Vande Hoef, Osceola County Representative; and Craig Merrill, Palo Alto County Representative. Barry Anderson Clay County Representative was absent. Those also in attendance were: Barb Rohwer, Regional Fiscal Agent, Kim Wilson NWIACC CEO; Abby Wallin, Mental Health Advocate; Barry Whitsell, Village NW/NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative; Deb Brodersen, Spencer Hospital, Pam Moldovan, DHS Targeted Case Management; Peter Hart, Palo Alto County Attorney; Nolan McGowan, Osceola County Attorney; Spencer Hospital; Jason Wagner of Amerigroup, Robert Aiken, Seasons Center (by phone).

Bill Leupold called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the agenda with an amendment to include an exception to policy for a client for Supported Community Living Services. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve the minutes of September 25, 2018 with the correction of the meeting date and the October 12, 2018 minutes. Motion carried by all ayes.

Correspondence – the letter from Sioux County with the responses to the questions asked by the region for consideration to join NW IA Care Connections was received. The Osceola County resolution regarding Plymouth County's entrance into the NW IA Care Connections region was not approved. Dickinson County's resolution regarding Plymouth County's entrance into the NW IA Care Connections region was received as approved. Dona Nielson, the DSC for Kossuth County, notified Kim that Kossuth County is drafting a letter regarding recent developments with County Social Services. We understand that Hancock County has withdrawn their request to join the NW IA Care Connections region for Fiscal 2020.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to approve the following claims. Motion carried by all ayes.

ACTIVE MINDS, INC.	SERV	6,500.00
ADVANCED SYSTEMS INC	EQUIP	164.42
BAUM-HARMON MERCY HOSPITAL	SERV	1,596.34
CEDAR VALLEY RANCH	SERV	1,540.80
CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	115.00
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	1,555.64

DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	OFFICE EXP	158.24
DUHN, SUE	MLGE	609.74
GREER LAW OFFICE	SERV	90.00
HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	23,377.44
HORIZONS UNLIMITED	SERV	1,157.64
ISAC	REG FEE	30.00
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	6,206.40
MARCO INC	EQUIP	344.10
NORTHWEST PRINTING	SUPP	186.72
NW IA YES CENTER	SERV	356.00
O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	617.50
O'BRIEN COUNTY AUDITOR	ADM SERV	1,458.60
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE	25.84
PALO ALTO CO SHERIFFS OFFICE	SERV	639.42
REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY	SERV	3,055.24
RENSINK, PLUM, VOGEL & HUYSER	SERV	219.30
ROCKHILL, LISA	MLGE	91.00
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	404.50
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	53,474.81
SMITH GRIGG SHEA & KLINKER PC	SERV	240.00
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	34,398.90
VERIZON WIRELESS	SERV	40.01
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	3,361.45
WALLIN, ABBY	MLGE	100.00
WILL, BETH	MLGE	336.44
WINGERT LAW OFFICE	SERV	79.50
YELLOW CAB INC	SERV	155.00

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve a contract with Avera McKennan to provide psychiatric inpatient hospitalization and mental health civil commitment beds and services. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to approve a contract with Sioux Rivers Region for Crisis Stabilization Center services in Sioux City. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve an exception to policy for up to 15 hours of supported community living services within the first 30 days as two clients transition to another mental health region. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve a contract with B & D Services Inc. of Independence, IA for supported community living services for November, 2018. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve a memorandum of understanding with Champions in Mind for service. Motion carried by all eyes.

Workforce Shortage Team Development – group will begin a sequence of 3 meetings regarding the issue to explore strategies to improve workforce availability.

Updates:

Transitional Living Network – working on a central intake system comprehensive resource directory, warm hand-off criteria, and a link with housing projects region wide.

IPS Employment –Maintaining the pilot project development

Jail Release Care Coordination – has been a break in service due to some staff issues. Services are resuming

C3 De-escalation – Instructors continue training; First round of train the trainer program is being offered the first week in November.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth and seconded by Mark Behrens to adjourn at 2:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary