



Commission on Mental Health and Substance Abuse Business Operations Subcommittee

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Agenda

January 18, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

9:00 A.M. – Call to Order and Welcome

Commissioner Reynolds for Commissioner Hunschofsky, Chair

Roll Call – Quorum established

Attendance Summary

Sherriff William Prummell	Commissioner Kelly Gray-Eurom
Commissioner Wes Evans	Commissioner Ann Berner
Melissa Vergeson	Natalie Kelly
Christine Cauffield	Paul Bebee
Melanie Brown-Woofter	Commissioner Clara Reynolds

1. Review and approve the subcommittee meeting minutes from 9/21/22
Approved by: Commissioner Berner Seconded By: Commissioner Gray-Eurom
2. Remarks from Subcommittee Chair
3. Outstanding citations needed for the interim report
4. Review subcommittee report recommendations. For each recommendation, define the following:
 - i. How does this recommendation impact the behavioral health system of care and improve access to behavioral health services?
 - o Reduce duplication of services, prevent individuals from falling through the cracks, improve outcomes by coordinating care, increase capacity, better serve individual in the right system at the right time, reduce recidivism.
 - ii. What are the key steps in the implementation process?
 - o Form workgroup to recommend statutory language
 - o Survey of landscape to determine what efforts are already underway
 - o Demographic information tracked
 - o Funding sources
 - o Database structure/language
 - o HIPAA requirements and statutes
 - o Leverage Baker Act automation reporting process
 - iii. What are the associated costs with implementing this recommendation?
 - o Statewide coordinator, agency cost to implement, server maintenance, ongoing database maintenance



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- *Check with USF, Wellness center in Pinellas, Baker Act reporting, FASAMS vendor for assistance in gauging estimated costs
 - iv. What organization or other authority is responsible for implementation?
 - Statewide coordinator
 - Utilizing DCF as authority but open to other potential state agencies
 - Possibly create state agency
 - v. What is the timeline for implementation?
 - vi. Does this require Federal, State or other authority to implement?
 - Funding dependent on utilization of index
5. Next Steps/Action Items – Upcoming meeting dates and deadlines
- Workgroups to be formed for each recommendation to go through bullet points
 - Data Transparency: Develop a pilot Master Client Index
 - Data Transparency: Develop a workgroup to establish a statewide core set of metrics that will provide a comprehensive, standardized, and transparent approach to assessing and evaluating quality of care and health outcomes (Berner)
 - Access to Care: In partnership with AHCA, conduct an exploratory study to assess the potential impact of adjusting the Medicaid income eligibility criteria for young adults ages 18-21 coverage gap whose parents are not insured (Evans)
 - Access to Care: Implement a 3-year pilot in which one agency level entity manages all public, behavioral health funding in a geographic area (Reynolds)
 - Access to Care: Create a coordinated community behavioral health approach for public school students utilizing a single organization and amend section 1006.05, F.S. (Berner)
6. Public Comment – Jack Wood and Christine Cauffield volunteer for 3-year pilot workgroup
7. Closing Remarks – There were none and the meeting was adjourned.