

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL

	Date: January 18, 2019	Called to Order: 10:09 Adjourned: 12:34

Members Present:	John Baird; Lisa St. George; Jane Kallal; Kathy Bashor; Alida Montiel; Brenda Vittatoo; Vicki Johnson; Stacy Paul; Susan Junck; Justin Ashley; Tamaria Gammage
	On the phone: Dan Haley; Dave Delawder
Members Absent:	Amy Hodgson; Alicia Ruiz; Akia Compton; Leon Canty; Mary Page; Leon Canty
Non-Members Present:	Tony Smith; Kristina Sabetta;
Guests:	Alex Demyan; Michelle Skurka; Chaz Longwell; Judith Walker; Evelyn Kelley; Yisel Sanchez;
Next Meeting:	2/15/19

Agenda Item	Notes	Follow-up/Next Steps
I. Call to order and Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kathy called the meeting to order at 10:09 am 	-
II. Minute Approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Committee reviews minutes - Vicki asks that language change in section V. Financial Report Presentation. First bullet point includes language that states “thinks”, will change to state “request”. - Council agrees to utilize the request form for formal requests moving forward 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Vicki makes a motion to accept meeting minutes with revisions -Jane seconds motion, all members vote in favor.
III. Voting of new members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council has two members that are up for approval today <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Justin Ashley 2) Tamaria Gammage - Kathy shares additional nominations submitted. - Andrew Real recommended as a representative from DOH. Has not attended any meetings, Alex will follow-up on status and or another representative. - Chair shares other members who are on the council but have not attended for months and should be removed. - Kathy asks that a motion be made to remove Leon Canty - Kathy will contact others on the current roster and provide update at February meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Vicki makes a motion to accept Justin Ashley and Tamaria Gammage as member of the council. -Lisa St. George seconds the motion. -Committee members all vote in favor -Alex will reach out to Andrew Real -Vicki makes motion to remove Leon Canty from the committee. -Lisa St. George sends the motion -All vote in favor
IV. Legislative Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kristina Sabetta provide legislative update - Shared MHA's legislative priority list. - Priorities for MHA 	-Alex to send out any additional resources along with meeting minutes.

1). SUICIDE PREVENTION AND MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING IN SCHOOLS

Schools are a key setting for suicide prevention. Teachers, mental health providers, and all other school personnel who interact with students can play an important role in keeping them safe. MHA AZ is advocating for teachers, counselors and other school staff who work with children in grades 6-12 receive evidence-based training in suicide.

- Prevention, warning signs and intervention and referral techniques.
- Shared link [Here](#) to the form to register for RTS - this will allow folks to get registered if they can't make it to the capitol to do so.
- Shared a few helpful videos that are great in learning how to have a voice as well as use Arizona's legislative system.

2) SUICIDE INTERVENTION

2-1-1 information line transforms lives by linking individuals and families to vital community resources throughout Arizona, yet it currently receives zero dollars in state funding. We are asking for state appropriated funding for 2-1-1 which will provide a 24/7 safety net for Arizonans, reducing the need for high cost ER, housing and crisis services across the state.

3) RESTORATION OF THE STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND

The Arizona Housing Trust Fund was enacted in 1988, and created a funding source to assist in meeting the housing needs of low-income families. This dedicated source of funding included 35% of revenues received from the sale of unclaimed property, which increased to 55% in 1998 with additional resources dedicated to rural Arizona. Due to the 2009 recession, state budgetary cuts forced the State Housing Trust Fund, which should have received almost \$40 million, to be capped at \$2.5 million in 2010; with the balance then being appropriated to the state's general fund. We ask the legislature to lift the \$2.5 million cap on revenue from unclaimed property sales and restore those funds back to the State Housing Trust Fund to support unmet housing needs.

4) PROTECT KIDS CARE

AHCCCS offers health insurance through KidsCare for eligible children (under age 19) who are not eligible for other AHCCCS health insurance. MHA AZ advocates to protect the key provisions of the Affordable Care Act that effect access to mental

	<p>health services, which includes measures that prevent an automatic freeze on KidsCare when federal funding dips below 100%. MHA AZ proposes that a supplemental funding source be allocated to prevent this automatic freeze of health insurance for thousands of Arizona’s children.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • View archived webinar, "How to Become an Empowered Advocate for Public Policy" provided by Empowerment Systems in partnership with the Arizona Rural Health Association • View this youtube video showing you how to register in the AZ legislative system and how to find bills. We strongly encourage anyone unfamiliar with the system to watch this video and register. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council can sign up for our action alerts here. - Shared link here for an action alert for SB 1011. 	
<p>V. Review of Bylaws</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on how the bylaws need to be updated annually. - Council was shown language in bylaws that specifies the above. - Council recounted that the bylaws worked on in April, 2018, were completed, but not voted on due to lack of quorum. - Council decided to utilize this draft version, to add new language they would like included. - Discussion on option to draft changes, and approve a final version during Feb. meeting. - Decision made finalize edits, vote on bylaws during this meeting. - Council revisited historical context of T/RBHA representation/participation on the council - Discussion about the potential conflicts of having RBHA employees as voting members - Council still wants RBHAs to attend meetings as members of the public - Discussion about utilizing the inter-tribal council to gather the best way for tribal input to the council - New language includes Article IV: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The State OIFA Advisory Council shall annually nominate a person to represent the AHCCCS Contracted health plan community. This nominee shall become a voting member of the BHPC, with 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vicki motioned to approve bylaws - John 2nd Vicki’s motion - Council voted 12-1 in favor of approving Bylaws - Alex to send the council bylaws

	<p>all included responsibilities and requirements. Any person representing the OIFA Advisory Council may serve in this role for a maximum of 2 consecutive years.</p> <p>2) Due to the oversight responsibilities of the BHPC and potential conflict of interest, no person who is an employee of an AHCCCS Contracted health plan may be permitted as a voting member of the BHPC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed language includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Directors of an urban and rural Regional Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA) in the state shall propose a representative from their service area who is knowledgeable about behavioral health services in the geographic area they represent. One member from each RBHA shall be proposed. 2) The Director of one Tribal Regional Behavioral Health Authority (TRBHA) shall be appointed. 3) Where more than one urban or rural RBHA or TRBHA wish to be represented on the Council, representation will be rotated among the RBHAs or TRBHA to ensure that one representative is available to the Council on a continual basis. - Kathy requested a motion to approve bylaws with identified changes 	
<p>VI. Establish 2019 Calendar</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council needs to establish a BHPC calendar for 2019 - Every other month BHPC will meet with AHCCCS at AHCCCS - Alternating months will be community-based meetings - Council decided that members should not be penalized for not attending community meetings - Certain months the BHPC will need to be in Phoenix at AHCCCS to fulfill council requirements (i.e. review Block Grant Application & reports) - Reserve August meeting to review BG application - Reserve November meeting to review the BG report - Council would like to reserve one month specific for a meeting in a tribal community. - Feb meeting will be at AHCCCS for planning the remainder of the year & other council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council to finalize and vote on the 2019 calendar during the February meeting - Council would tentatively like leadership to present in May - Alex to explore quarterly AzSH update feasibility - Council to discuss language to go out on the OIFA Newsletter - Alex will organize DFSM presentation once 2019 calendar is set.

	<p>business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “Community Meetings” do not require AHCCCS presence outside of the voting state Medicaid rep, and clerical - Council would like to establish discussions from AHCCCS leadership once or twice per year. - Possible DFSM presentation on block grants - Council would like to explore bringing back AzSH updates as a standing agenda item. - Kathy requested that verbiage go out about the council on the OIFA newsletter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion began about re-starting the committees. - Council agreed to discuss this further at Feb meeting, as it was not an agenda item - Since membership is currently a pressing issue, Lisa, John, Vicki, and Kathy to look over new applications and make recommendations on how to proceed at Feb. meeting. 	
VII. AHCCCS Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dana gave a presentation on the new AHCCCS organizational changes & other post-ACC initiatives - Presented on the waiver approval. - Alex to send out Dana’s presentation and other resources. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alex to send out resources.
VIII. OIFA Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Susan presented on peer and family run organizations and AHCCCS’ involvement - Susan presented on OIFA’s DRAFT one-pager on SABG funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alex to send out OIFA presentation - Alex to send out one pager upon OIFA publishing final draft.
IX. Call for public comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kathy makes a call to the public. - No response 	
X. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kathy asks for a motion to adjourn at 12:34 pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dan makes motion to adjourn meeting. -John Baird seconds motion. -All vote in favor.