

Executive Committee Region 4 Behavioral Health Board July 5, 2018 9:00-10:30am Central District Health Department, Huckleberry Room 707 N Armstrong Place, Boise

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M.

**In attendance:** Christina Smith, Co-Chair; Jen Burlage, Treasurer; Chris Christopher, Member-at-Large; Crystal Campbell; Alexis Pickering; Julie Nease; Brandi Hissong, Vice Chair

**Contract Review**: Crystal Campbell discussed the renewal of the Region 4 Behavioral Health Board contract with the Executive Committee. Alexis Pickering and Julie Nease stepped out of the room during the discussion. The Executive Committee supports the renewing the contract with CDHD for the 2019-2023 period.

Attendance Review: The attendance for the FY 2018 meetings was reviewed.

## **BHB State Call:**

There was no update on the ODP Partnership for Success grant application. In the regional updates, other Boards discussed how they were going to be involved with the Medicaid Expansion ballot initiative. The EC was interested in having the campaign director present at one of the meetings and talk about how the Board can support the initiative. Alexis will make the connection. Other Boards have been visiting rural parts of their regions and dispersing mini-grants.

There have been two changes to the Idaho Open Meeting Law requiring the Regional Boards to post minutes and agendas on their websites if they have website presence. The R4BHB already is in the practice of posting agendas and minutes on their webpage. The second change is requiring that agenda items that require a vote must now be identified as an "Action Item". Justification for adding action items to an agenda during a meeting will need to be included in the minutes.

Project Echo, out of New Mexico, is a program that in Idaho provides educational and consult support to medical professionals specific to opiates. The panel includes family physicians, psychiatrists, pharmacists and many others. Rural areas greatly benefit from this support tool. Funding options are being pursued to keep it ongoing. The EC was supportive of having Lachelle Smith present to the Board on the program.

On the call Alexis asked about Commissioner Representation, specifically about the language in HP 337, denying County Commissioner to send designees in their stead to regional BHB meetings. According to DBH, that language came from the Idaho Association of Counties (IAC). However, many commissioners are unable to attend monthly meetings due to other commitments. Elmore County Commissioners have already expressed that they cannot participate due to limited time. Alexis will draft and send a letter to

regional rural (Boise, Elmore, and Valley) county commissioners inviting them to join the Board and will point out that telephone call-in is available. Chris will encourage Elmore County Commissioners to join the R4BHB.

# FY18 Budget Review & FY19 Budget Update

Alexis reviewed the FY2018 budget. Actual expenses left a balance of \$1,656 to carry over into FY2019. CDHD Finance Department stated that the Board needs to obligate the FY18 carry over funds. The Executive Committee decided to allocate the FY18 carry over funds to three of the following committees: \$500 each to the Youth, Recovery & Wellness, and Marketing Committees. The suggestion was made to allocate funds for bus passes to assist Elmore County mental health patients with transportation to and from Boise as needed. The FY 2019 budget proposal was reviewed and approved.

### New Board Member Orientation Update

Alexis has been conducting new member orientations and has the last member scheduled in July. New member applications will be reviewed to see which committee interests were expressed.

### **Public Health Conference**

Alexis requested \$500 to go toward travel and expenses for her to attend the Public Health Law Conference in Phoenix. The balance of expenses will be shared by other programs that Alexis works under. At the conference, Alexis will attend sessions on public health law and other related health topics including behavioral health and opioids. She will provide a report to the Board when she gets back from the conference.

#### **Marketing Committee**

Christina shared that the Marketing Committee needs members since Drake is no longer on the Committee. The Executive Committee will ask Jen will send out a call to her staff to recruit new membership. The next Meet and Greet will be conducted in the same manner as in the last event, however, obtaining sponsors will be the greatest challenge. Alexis and Julie can provide support. The Executive Committee will approach the Board to obtain volunteers and will discuss the time commitment involved.

## **R4BHB Meeting Agenda Reviews**

The July and August agendas were reviewed.

### **Action Item**

Alexis to find out who is the campaign director for Medicaid expansion

Meeting adjourned 10:18 A.M.