

## MINUTES

### LARIMER COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY COUNCIL

**Date:** July 12, 2021  
**Time:** 8:00-10:00am  
**Location:** Zoom Webinar  
**Contact:** Laurie Stolen, Behavioral Health Services Director  
Ryan Barstow, Behavioral Health Business Operations Coordinator

Participants:

Nick Christensen, Susan Gutowsky, Will Karspeck, Lisa Kurth, Mary Maldonado, Chad Morris, Steve Olson, Barry Wilson

Grantee Virtual Site Visits:

Kristen Cochran-Ward, Tim McLemore, Jessica Shannon, Deborah Waldo

Attendees:

Beth Sowder, Laura Walker

BHS Staff:

Ryan Barstow, Kim Priddy, Laurie Stolen, Jennifer Wolfe-Kimbell

Absent:

Marianne Dungan, Wendy Koenig, Lisa Laake, Clark McCoy, Troy Hamman, Jody Shaddock-McNally

CALL TO ORDER – 8:05 a.m. (Quorum was not yet met but members agreed to proceed with the meeting)

### STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Grantee Virtual Tours:
  - a. Jessica Shannon and Kristen Cochran-Ward from the Health District of Northern Larimer County presented a virtual site visit by presenting an overview of their

agency's work, [available here](#). Kristen then answered Council member's questions.

- b. Tim McLemore and Deborah Waldo from Elderhaus Adult Day Program presented a virtual site visit by presenting an overview of their agency's work, [available here](#). Tim then answered Council member's questions.
2. After the virtual tours, a quorum was met and Barry Wilson asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 7, 2021 meeting. Steve Olson made the motion, seconded by Susan Gutowsky, the motion was approved unanimously.
3. Kim Priddy didn't have an update on the BHS Dashboard for the month to discuss but did share her next steps. These include continuing to refresh the current BH data from the state as it becomes available and adding new data sets to the dashboard (including youth and Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System [BRFSS] data) once the state is able to accommodate Kim's requests.
4. Laurie Stolen didn't have an update to share regarding the BHS Facility and said the project is still on target for groundbreaking in Sept./Oct. of this year and a scheduled opening for May 2023.

#### DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

1. Laurie had an update on a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) training opportunity for the BHS advisory groups which was requested at a previous BHPC meeting. She spoke to Alma Vigo-Morales who runs a local consulting and training group that offers a multi-day DEI training but can re-configure it for a half-day or full-day training. The course can be paid for by BHS and offered to BHPC, TAC, and CAC members. Several BHPC members expressed interest in participating in a half-day version of the course and Laurie asked for a motion to take the next step and set up the training. Steve Olson made the motion, seconded by Susan Gutowsky, the motion was approved unanimously. Based on member feedback, an October timeframe would be a good time to hold the training so Laurie will follow up with Alma and report back, at which point a Doodle Poll will be sent out to everyone to determine the best date to schedule it.
2. Laurie gave a quick update on BHPC member turnover including Kevin Lemasters who moved out of Johnstown and whose replacement, assigned by the Johnstown board, is pending. She also mentioned the upcoming rotation of at-large council member seats, of which Nick Christensen and Clark McCoy's terms will end 11/30/2021 and their seats will become available, unless they seek reappointment.
3. Ryan Barstow gave a brief overview of the 2021 Grant Open House Workshop. He shared that 2 sessions of the workshop were offered via webinar and a total of 51 potential applicants were able to attend. One of the sessions was recorded and posted to the BHS website on the [2021 Grant Funding page](#) along with the slides from the workshop as a resource for applicants.
4. Laurie received a request to discuss the standing time for BHPC meetings and asked members for input on whether or not they'd like to have the time/day for meetings

moved. Several members in attendance said the current time works best so it will not be changed at this time, however, Laurie said we can always keep it in mind moving forward and change it if necessary.

5. With things opening back up Laurie discussed the possibility of moving Grantee Tours from virtual, back to in-person (with a hybrid option), or some combination of the two and asked members for feedback. Members shared that they see benefit to both in-person and virtual options but a majority of those in attendance would like to see in-person site visits resume. Also, in addition to BHS hosting meetings at Larimer County facilities, members expressed interest in having different Larimer County municipalities host meetings on a quarterly basis, and work in a site visit while doing so. Laurie said BHS will start planning to do so for 2022 starting in Estes Park with a site visit to the Estes Park High School Coffee Cart. Laurie briefly discussed the 9/13/21 BHPC meeting which will be in-person in Hearing Room 155 at the Larimer County Courthouse Office building located at 200 W. Oak St. Fort Collins, CO 80521. Laurie also mentioned that she will be out of town during the next BHPC meeting on 8/2/21 and as a result of that, and a shorter agenda, the August meeting will be an abbreviated one.
6. Barry Wilson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Olson made the motion, seconded by Susan Gutowsky, the motion was approved unanimously.

1. NEXT MEETING:

- a) BHPC MEETING - August 2, 2021 via Zoom

ADJOURN – 9:15 a.m.