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2012 Mental Health Meeting Schedule

MONTH	MHB	PAC	ERC	SRC (NOT A PUBLIC MEETING)	JIST
JANUARY	1-09-2012	1-05-2012	1-18-2012	1-25-2012	1-25-2012
FEBRUARY	2-27-2012		2-15-2012	2-22-2012	
MARCH	3-12-2012		3-21-2012	3-28-2012	
APRIL	4-09-2012	4-05-2012	4-18-2012	4-25-2012	4-25-2012
MAY	5-14-2012		5-16-2012	5-23-2012	
JUNE	6-11-2012		6-20-2012	6-27-2012	
JULY	7-09-2012	7-05-2012	7-18-2012	7-25-2012	7-25-2012
AUGUST	NO MEETING	NO MEETING	NO MEETING	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
SEPTEMBER	9-10-2012		9-19-2012	9-26-2012	
OCTOBER	10-15-2012	10-04-2012	10-17-2012	10-24-2012	10-24-2012
NOVEMBER	11-19-2012		11-21-2012	11-28-2012	
DECEMBER	NO MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2012				

MHB, PAC & ERC meetings take place in the DHS Conference Room, 1027 Hooper Ave. Bldg. 2 – 3rd Floor.

MHB.- Mental Health Board meets 2nd Monday of each month at 5:00 PM Location: Varies and will be announced

PAC.- Professional Advisory Committee meets quarterly, 1st Thursday, at 9:30 AM

ERC- Emergency Response Committee meets 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:30 AM.

SRC. – Systems Review Committee meets 4th Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM, (Not a public Meeting)

JIST- Justice Involved Services Task Force meets quarterly, 4th Wednesday at 2:00PM, Location Varies and will be announced.

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To: Mental Health Board Meeting Guests
From: Tracy Maksel, Assistant Director
Date: May 2012
Subject: MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The next **Mental Health Board Meeting** will be held on:

~Monday~
May 14, 2012
5:00 pm

Ocean County Dept. of Human Services
1027 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, N.J.

Please contact our office (ssemevolos@co.ocean.nj.us) or 732-506-5374 to confirm your attendance. Thank you and we look forward to your attendance.

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Approval of Mental Health Board Minutes – April 09, 2012
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New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services	~ Josphine Morland
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Local Advisory Council, Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	~ Kimberly Reilly

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***Ocean County Mental Health Board
Meeting Minutes of April 09, 2012***

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

DSG Denis Campbell, on behalf of Pastor Peter Hartney, called the Mental Health Board meeting to order at 5:00pm. Roll call was taken and introductions were made.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Having been published in all local newspapers, this meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE

MHB Members PRESENT

DSG Denis Campbell
Dennis Fleishman
Rev. Patricia Greeley
Jeannie Greene
Loretta DiTocco
Donald Seckler
Gail Seckler

MHB Member NOT PRESENT

Karen Lederle-Foglia
Sherri Forker
Pastor Peter Hartney

STAFF PRESENT

Tracy Maksel
Jamie Busch
Suellen Semevolos

GUEST PRESENT

Joann Jason
Josephine Moreland
Karen White
Dave Helfund
Julie Vanore

Jim Cooney
Kathleen DeLorne
Michael Roche
Bill Sette

CORRECTION TO MINUTES

Jamie Busch wanted to clarify the timeline in the CIACC report for service integration. Technically residential services for youth will transition in July 2012. Then in January 2013 the Family Support Services will transition and then Addiction will transition in July 2013.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Dennis Fleishman and seconded by Loretta DiTocco to approve the Mental Health Board minutes of April 09, 2012 with the above clarification corrections in the CIACC report. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Mental Health Board Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Pastor Peter Hartney

No report was given

By-Law Report – DSG Denis Campbell

Denis Campbell reported the By-Laws are in County Council review.

Nominating /Membership Committee – Rev. Patricia Greeley

Rev. Patricia Greeley reported the Committee is recommending that the Board retain the existing slate of officers for the up-coming year. Nominations from the floor will be accepted. An email will be sent out to the members who wish to provide anonymous nominations via e-survey. The slate of officers will be presented at the May 14, 2012 meeting and voted on at the June 11, 2012 meeting. Denis Campbell asked for any nominations at this time. No nominations were made.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Dennis Fleishman

No new business to report.

Professional Advocacy Committee – Tracy Maksel

The PAC Project Team has met and revised their timeline for the 2013 Plan Update. We will launch the County-Wide Mental Health Needs Assessment survey on May 09, 2012. The assessment will be in hard copy as well as electronically. The survey was piloted with NAMI families, who provided great feedback. The PAC planning meetings will take place in July, August, and September of 2012.

Emergency Response Committee – Rev. Patricia Greeley

Rev. Patricia Greeley reported the first New Jersey Disaster Response Crisis Counselor Conference will be held in New Brunswick. All certified DRCC individuals should have received an invitation to this conference.

Justice Involved Services Task Force – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the Task Force is working with the Prosecutor's Office to host a law enforcement training for police departments in Ocean County.

SAMHSA released an opportunity to receive trauma informed training. The Task Force submitted their application and hopes to hear something by the end of April 2012.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2012 at 2:00PM and will focus on the specific elements of the training which is scheduled in June.

Tracy announced the Equal Justice Conference is scheduled for April 19, 2012 which is hosted by Steve Deluca and the ARC.

Systems Review Committee – Joseph Cuffari

Joann Jason reported a case concerning a 26 year old male who was involved in a RIST program. This consumer caused damage to the PESS unit and was hospitalized. He also served 500 days in jail for an assault charge. While in jail, this consumer was confined to the medical unit and/or a secluded area due to his behavior and for the safety of himself and others. A meeting took place with Judge Daniels regarding this individual. This consumer was screened immediately before being released with time served, and was

referred to Ancora, by Joe Cuffari, who received an admission time through Centralized Admissions. The Ocean County Corrections Officers were preparing to transport the individual to Ancora, as a courtesy as he was a civilian with no legal charges or retainer at that point. Immediately prior to the Jail arranging for the transport, this consumers admission status was revoked, with Centralized Admissions suggesting Ancora was concerned about dangerousness. Because the consumer had served his time and the jail couldn't keep him any longer, he was transported to Kimball Medical Center's Crisis Unit. Eventually he was transferred to Ancora for treatment the following day.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDAES

NJ Division of Mental Health & Addiction Services – Dave Helfand

Dave Helfand reported Hagedorn Hospital is still on schedule for a June closure. There are approximately 115 individuals remaining at the hospital, 54 of whom will be transferred to Greystone Hospital, 20 individuals to Ancora and 1 to Trenton Hospital. The remaining 41 individuals will be discharged into different community settings.

Dave also gave an update on the RFP for Supportive Housing for individuals discharged from Hagedorn Hospital. The award went to Catholic Charities of Trenton, Easter Seals and Declarations.

The EISS award was expanded to UVHC in Mercer County, Family Connections in Essex County and Monmouth Medical Center in Monmouth County.

Involuntary out Patient Commitment was due and the preliminary award was April 04, 2012. No word has been received but Dave advised the Board it wasn't anyone in the southern region.

The addiction recovery centers were due to be awarded on April 23, 2012 and Supportive Housing for individuals with forensic histories is due to be awarded on April 27, 2012. Dave advised the Board there was a small response to this.

An RFP came out today 4-09-12 for Individuals in the State Hospital that have Developmental Disabilities and Mental Health diagnoses. There's one RFP out for 16 beds, \$1.6 million in total and there is also a bidder's conference scheduled for April 16, 2012.

Also reported was a meeting scheduled in the Southern Region March 29, 2012. A regional strategic planning committee will meet to focus upon services within integrated addiction and mental health milieus. Copies of a power point were distributed with pertinent information.

Contract renewals are soon due for the up-coming fiscal year.

CIACC System of Care – Jamie Busch

Jamie Busch reported many changes are on the horizon in the Children’s Behavioral Health realm, all which was discussed at the last meeting. There was no additional information to add.

Mental Health Awareness month is coming up in May. There will be a kick-off celebration “Celebrating Wellness” scheduled for May 02, 2012 at the Toms River Library, Mancini Hall.

Legislative Advocacy Committee – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the Committee met earlier in the month and discussed five areas of concern: budget, unattended consequences, telepsychiatry in screening regs, Welfare Reform, and how funding should follow the consumer.

LACADA Committee – Kimberly Reilly/Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported on behalf of Kim Reilly. The Mental Health Administrators and the NJ Alcohol Substance Abuse Directors Associations are working collaboratively to advocate toward the future role of MHBs, MHAs, LACADAs and D&A Coordinators in the changing business model.

NEW BUSINESS

Tracy reported she was in receipt of the Telepsychiatry Waiver notice from the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services. Joe Cuffari was notified that he needed to submit clarifying points to DMHAS. Once Joe provides the clarifying points to DMHAS and resubmits his documentation, a 30 day comment period will commence. At the May Mental Health Board meeting we will open the public comment period for the waiver. The request will close in June and at the June Mental Health Board meeting a vote will take place either to support or not support the waiver. After this is done all supporting documentation will be forwarded to the Division.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Julie Vanore announced that Preferred Behavioral Health was awarded the Outstanding Provider Award.

Michael Roche announced the NAMI Walk is scheduled for May 12, 2012 at the Seaside Park boardwalk. Also, the NAMI Provider Fair is scheduled for May 09, 2012. If anyone is interested in the NAMI Walk should contact Michael for more information.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting at 6:30PM. All Board members were in favor of the motion.



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To: Mental Health Board Meeting Guests
From: Tracy Maksel, Assistant Director
Date: April 5, 2012
Subject: MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING NOTICE

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Approval of Mental Health Board Minutes – March 12, 2012

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***Ocean County Mental Health Board
Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2012***

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Pastor Peter Hartney called the Mental Health Board meeting to order at 5:05pm. Roll call was taken and introductions were made.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

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ATTENDANCE

<i>Board Members Present</i>	<i>Mental Health Board Members Not Present:</i>
DSC Denis Campbell	Dennis Fleishman
Karen Lederle Foglia	Sherri Forker
Jeannie Greene	Rev. Patricia Greeley
Pastor Peter Hartney	<i>Staff Members</i>
Loretta DiTocco	Jamie Busch
Donald Seckler	Tracy Maksel
Gail Seckler	Suellen Semevolos
<i>Guest Attendance</i>	<i>Guest Attendance</i>
Michael Blatt	Sarah Orvath
Anthony Zazzarino	Michele Green Ferramte
Josephine Moreland	Lenore Velez Rigney
Ely Weinschneider	Joe Cuffari
Jim Cooney	Julie Vanore

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Karen Foglia and seconded by Don Seckler to approve the Mental Health Board minutes of March 12, 2012. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee –Reverend Peter Hartney

Tracy Maksel gave an update regarding her involvement with the DMHAS ASO/MBHO Steering Committee. As part of her responsibilities to the Steering Committee, Tracy chairs an Access Workgroup. The purpose of the Steering Committee and its workgroups is to provide input into the development of an ASO/MBHO. At the last MHB meeting, Tracy provided handouts that have been used to highlight elements of the ASO/MBHO development process, including a rather aggressive timeline. Tracy reported that the access, clinical, fiscal and outcomes workgroup meetings have concluded, and now each chairperson is working with their DHS liaison to develop a workgroup report to be presented to the Steering Committee. The next Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 16, 2012. Tracy thanked the Mental Health Board and its sub-committees for their input in the e-survey, which was used during the access workgroups activities. Over 40 survey responses were received.

By-Laws Committee – DSG Denis Campbell

Denis Campbell reported the status of the By-Laws has not changed since our last meeting.. The By-Laws have been updated and are being edited for style and formatting and will be sent to County Counsel for review.

Nominating/Membership Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Tracy Maksel reported on behalf of Pat Greeley that the Committee will meet at 4:00pm prior to the Mental Health Board meeting on April 09, 2012 to develop recommendations for the 2012-2013 slate of officers. The slate of officers must be presented at the April meeting. The Committee will launch an E-Survey for nominations from the floor once the slate is presented. By the next meeting the Committee will also update their task plan for the Board's review.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Dennis Fleishman

There was no report given

Professional Advisory Committee - Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported the next PAC meeting is scheduled for April 05, 2012 at 9:30am. There will be a Project Team meeting prior to the PAC meeting. The County-Wide Needs Assessment will be launched most likely in May 2012.

Emergency Response Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Pastor Hartney reported the next ERC meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2012 at 9:30am.

Justice Involved Services Task Force – Michael Roche

Tracy Maksel reported a meeting was scheduled with Sherri Saldida and Renee White from the Prosecutors office to discuss a mental health and law enforcement training. The Prosecutors office will organize a training, based upon recommendation made from the Task Force specific to developing a hybrid CIT curriculum for Ocean County. This training is 8 hours and will be held in the Summer of 2012. This recent push for training relates to a recent Attorney General mandate for all law enforcement to have CIT or CIT type training.

Systems Review Committee – Joseph Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported nothing has changed since the last MHB update.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services – Lenore Velez-Rigney/Josephine Moreland

Lenore Velez-Rigney provided an update regarding the DMHAS proposed budget and RFPs.

An RFP for the development of addiction recovery centers in seven counties was released with a deadline of March 14, 2012.

Regarding the Governor's proposal FY2013 budget the following updated were reported:

- \$2.1 million for drug court expansion
- A reinvestment of \$5.6 million from the closure to support
 - 100 rent subsidies
 - 133 supportive housing beds
 - Expansion of psychiatric services
 - Reinstatement of supportive employment capacity

- Expansion of early intervention support services
- \$5 million in new funding for 245 new CEPP beds
- \$2.3 million for services to homeless veterans with mental illness
- \$24.7 million for DDD
- Funds to develop community placement for 130 individuals on a community waiting list
- \$4.6 million for 600 placements that were developed in Fiscal Year 2012
- \$9.7 million for the Olmstead program to annualize FY2012 placements and for FY2013 placements

Lenore introduced Josephine Moreland as the new program analyst for Ocean County.

CIACC/System of Care - Jamie Busch

Jamie Hart thanked the everyone for their support while she was on leave. Jamie reported the integration of adolescent addiction services with Children Behavioral Health services has begun. Also recently announced by DCF was the integration of DD. D These changes will become effective in January 2013. Children with developmental disabilities will be transferred in July 2013. There will be an Adolescent Addictions stakeholder workgroup similar to the DMHAS ASO/MBHO workgroups to include community input. All these changes will be discussed at the next CIACC meeting on March 22, 2012.

Jamie provided an updated schedule for the CIACC Education Sessions. There are only two remaining sessions this year. The next session is scheduled for April 27, 2012 focusing on Trends in Adolescent Substance Abuse and Treatment Services. This session will be held at the Lacey High School lecture hall. Dr Ross Greene will be present for the June 01, 2012 session. This session is open to parents with registration required. This session will be at the Neptune High School Performing Arts Center, Neptune, NJ. If anyone is interested in attending this session they should contact Jamie Busch for more information.

Jamie reported that May is Mental Health Awareness month. The Awareness Committee is looking for nominations for community advocates and/or programs. These individuals will be honored at the Celebrating Wellness kick off scheduled for May 02, 2012 at the Toms River Library, Mancini Hall.

Legislative Advocacy Committee (LAC) – Michael Roche

Pastor Hartney reported the Ocean County Legislative Breakfast is scheduled for March 30, 2012 at the Holiday Inn.

LACADA – Kimberly Reilly

Tracy Maksel reported on behalf of Kim Reilly that the LACADA is continuing to work on the County Comprehensive Plan with the next meeting scheduled for March 30, 2012. The sub-committees will continue to look at issues and trends in Ocean County for target populations. The older adult meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2012 and the COSA meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

Lenore Velez-Rigney reported Ocean County will be the first county to roll out the older adult's consultation services known as S-COPE. Central Admissions is using this program now.

At the end of March the southern regional planning meeting will be held.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no new announcements made.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting at 6:30pm. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

Karen Lederle Foglia, Secretary, OCMHB

Date



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Pastor Peter Hartney called the Mental Health Board meeting to order at 5:05 PM. Roll Call was taken and introductions were made.

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ATTENDANCE

<i>Board Members Present</i>	<i>Mental Health Board Members Not Present:</i>
Dennis Fleishman	Det Sgt. Denis Campbell
Karen L. Foglia	Jeannie Greene
Sheri Forker	
Rev. Patricia Greeley	<i>Staff Members</i>
Rev. Peter Hartney	Tracy Maksel
Loretta DiTocco	Suellen Semevolos
Donald Seckler	
Gail Seckler	
<i>Guest Attendance</i>	<i>Guest Attendance</i>
Michael Blatt	Rick DeGironimo
Michael Roche	Lenore Velez-Regney
Stacy Olsen	Michele Green Ferrante
Kimberly Reilly	Joseph Cuffari
Julie Vanore	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Karen Foglia and seconded by Don Seckler to approve the Mental Health Board minutes of February 27, 2012. All Board members were in favor of the motion made.

OLD BUSINESS

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee –Reverend Peter Hartney

Pastor Hartney advised the Board of his attendance at the January System Review Committee meeting which raised questions regarding the Hampton diversion beds for Ocean County. Before the Board takes any action, Pastor Hartney suggested that more data and information be collected over the next few months to truly conceptualize the issue and scope.

Tracy Maksel announced that the State Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services has convened a State Steering Committee which is charged with providing input into the development of the Administrative Services Organization (ASO) and subsequent Managed Behavioral Health Organization (MBHO) for publicly funded behavioral health services. This model replaces capacity contracts and deficit funding models with a fee for service model managed by a third party entity (ASO/MBHO). As part of the input process, four Steering Committee Workgroups have been developed to focus on access, clinical, fiscal, and outcomes considerations for the ASO/MBHO design

and implementation. Tracy provided a power point, in the form of handouts, to the Board highlighting the timeframes and tasks assigned to the Workgroups and Steering Committee. Tracy advised that she is serving as the chairperson to the Access Workgroup, which is staffed by Roxanne Kennedy from the State Medicaid Office. Roxanne had once served as Ocean's Program Analyst for DMHAS. Certain slides within the power point provided target categories of input developed thus far through the Access Workgroups tasks. This whole undertaking relates back to the State's Medicaid Waiver which was submitted in 2011. The Waiver has not yet been approved; however the DMHAS has continued their planning process to launch an ASO in 2013. DMHAS expects the ASO will start off as no-risk, and then the ASO will move toward an MHBO model, ultimately transitioning to at-risk.

Tracy encouraged all Board members to participate in the ASO/MBHO survey that was launched earlier in the month, which serves as a mechanism to gather input from community stakeholders specific to the introduction of an ASO/MBHO model in NJ.

By-Laws Committee – DSG Denis Campbell

Pastor Harney reported the By-Laws have been updated. At this point the By-Laws are being edited for style and formatting. The By-Laws will be forwarded to County Counsel once they are print ready.

Nominating/Membership Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Rev. Pat Greeley reported the Membership Committee met prior to the Board meeting to develop their task plan further by identifying timeframes. Rev. Greeley provided an overview as to the specific updates made to the Plan, noting that a revised copy would be handed out at the next Board meeting for review. Specific highlights include: the development of a Board specific brochure; visiting the Self Help Centers for consumer input; reviewing member profiles quarterly; asking members to bring two colleagues/friends to the meeting to encourage them to become members of the Board; developing questions for interviews with prospective members; process membership paperwork; orientation; and Board specific development activities (team building in August) along with broader team building (December).

Rev. Greeley also reported that the Membership Committee will meet again in March to develop the recommended slate of officers, to be presented to the Board in April. In May an anonymous e-survey will be sent to all Board members asking for nominations from the floor. Voting will take place in June.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Dennis Fleishman

No report given.

Professional Advisory Committee - Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported the PAC will postpone the kickoff for the Mental Health Plan Update process. The assessment survey has been updated and will be launched in April or May of 2012.

Emergency Response Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Rev. Pat Greeley reported the ERC did not meet in February due to a state DRCC Training. The next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2012 at 9:30am

Justice Involved Services Committee – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the Task Force met on January 25, 2012, which was the 41st meeting. The total number of individuals served through the Justice Involved Services program has been 224 since 2008. The next meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2012 at 2:00PM.

Michael Blatt reported JIS served more consumers in 2011 than in previous years. Steve DeLuca from DDD has asked the Taskforce to do a presentation on the collaborative at the Equal Justice Conference in April 2012.

Systems Review Committee – Joseph Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported SRC has had two meetings since the last Mental Health Board. Pastor Hartney was a guest along with other individuals who normally are not in attendance. The Hampton Diversion Beds have remained a focus for the SRC.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services –Lanore Velez-Regney

Lanore Velez-Regney gave an update regarding RFPs. An RFP for the development of addictions Recovery Centers in seven counties was released, with a deadline of March 14, 2012. An RFP for the development of Involuntary Outpatient Commitment programs in seven counties was released with a due date of February 28, 2012. Proposals were already received for the development of 25 RIST beds in Atlantic County, with final awards to be announced on March 7, 2012. They have proposals for individuals with legal issues and are due back by March 19, 2012. DMHAS has also released an RFP for the development of 25 forensic/justice involved beds in the community for individuals discharged from State Psychiatric Hospitals. The RFPs for screening in three counties will be announced shortly. Tracy Maksel stated that when Roger Borichewski visited the January Board meeting, the Board had volunteered for Ocean to serve as one of the upcoming counties in which screening would be RFPd. Lanore stated she was aware of Ocean's willingness to volunteer. However, at this time, the three counties have not yet been announced.

Lanore also reported Josphine Morland, from the Olmstead Team, has been appointed to the position of Program Analyst for Ocean County.

CIACC/System of Care - Jamie Hart/Tracy Makel

Tracy Maksel reported the Education Sessions have been well attended with mostly positive feedback. The next session is scheduled for March 02, 2012 and will focus on "Cyber Bulling, Sextexting and Internet Safety". The April Session will focus on substance abuse treatment and prevention services.

Legislative Advocacy Committee (LAC) – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the LAC met this morning. Most of the meeting was focused on the Legislative Breakfast, which is scheduled for March 30, 2012 at the Holiday Inn. The State of NJ Luteniant Governor will be guest speaker at the event. Michael also reported all Mayors of Ocean County townships have been invited to attend.

LACADA – Kimberly Reilly

Kimberly Reilly reported the PACADA has begun their Comprehensive Plan update process. Kim stated that in gathering data and research in preparation for the Plan, the information shows that in 2011, Ocean County has the highest suicide rate between the ages of 50 to 59, which equates to approximately 25% of the older population.

NEW BUSINESS

Tracy Maksel reported that the Department of Human Services staff would be using Constant Contact more often for emails and notifications. Tracy asked that all Board members and guests ensure their email settings allow for Constant Contact emails to be delivered, as many servers interpret these emails as Spam.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No new announcements were made.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Rev. Pat Greeley and seconded by Dennis Fleishman to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting at 6:20pm. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

Karen Lederle Foglia, Secretary, OCMHB

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To: Mental Health Board Meeting Guests
From: Tracy Maksel, Assistant Director
Date: February , 2012
Subject: MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The next **Mental Health Board Meeting** will be held on:

~Monday~
February 27, 2012
5:00 pm
Ocean County Dept. of Human Services
1027 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, N.J.

Please contact our office (ssemevolos@co.ocean.nj.us) or 732-506-5374 to confirm your attendance. Thank you and we look forward to your attendance.

AGENDA

Call To Order/Sign In/Compliance Statement

Approval of Mental Health Board Minutes – January 09, 2012

Old Business

Mental Health Board Committee Reports

Executive Committee

~ Rev. Peter Hartney

By-Laws Committee

~ DSG. Denis Campbell

Nominating/Membership Committee

~ Rev. Patricia Greeley

Budget and Program Review Committee

~ Dennis Fleishman

Professional Advisory Committee

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Community Reports and Updates

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services

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New Business

Announcements

Adjournment



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***Ocean County Mental Health Board
Meeting Minutes of January 09, 2012***

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Pastor Peter Hartney called the Mental Health Board meeting to order at 5:10pm. Attendance was taken by roll call and sign in sheet. Introductions were made.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Having been published in all local newspapers, this meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present ***Mental Health Board Members Not Present:***

DSG Denis Campbell
Dennis Fleishman
Karen Lederle-Foglia
Sherri Forker
Rev. Peter Hartney
Rev. Patricia Greeley
Jeannie Greene
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Michael Blatt
Michael Roche
Jim Bodnar
Chris Belluardo
Joy Reinhart
Michele Green Ferrante
Ramona DeFonza
Julie Vanore
Anthony Zazzarino

Guest Attendance

Kerri Ann Stanford
Joe Cuffari
Kimberly Reilly
Ely Weinschneider
Julie Barnett
Jim Cooney
Carmella Bodnar
Bill Sette

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Sherri Forker and seconded by Dennis Fleishman to approve the Mental Health Board meeting minutes of January 09, 2012. All Board members were in favor of the motion with one abstention.

OLD BUSINESS

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee –Reverend Peter Hartney

Pastor Peter Hartney thanked all who attended the December Appreciation meeting. No report given for the Executive Committee

By-Laws Committee – DSG Denis Campbell

Denis Campbell reported that Tracy Maksel emailed the current draft of the revised Mental Health Board By-Laws to be reviewed by all Mental Health Board members. Denis Campbell made a motion to accept the By-Laws as revised with Dennis Fleishman seconding the motion. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

Nominating/Membership Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Rev. Pat Greeley reported a draft Membership Committee Task Plan was developed based on information shared at the November Committee meeting. The draft Plan is in the packets for review. The Committee will be meeting again prior to the February meeting to continue their work on the Plan.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Dennis Fleishman

Dennis Fleishman reported a letter to DMHAS regarding the Committee's decision to recommend Resource for Human Development for supportive housing for individuals at risk is in the packets for review. It was reported that RHD has provided an outstanding supportive housing model, and as such the Committee feels strongly that RHD would provide excellent supportive housing for individuals at risk. Dennis Fleishman made a motion to ratify the Committee's supportive housing RFP recommendations as they appear in the DMHAS letter. Rev. Pat Greeley seconded the motion and all Board members were in favor.

Also, it was reported the Freeholder Board has approved the Board's RFQ recommendations for County funded Mental Health Services pending the approval of the 2012 County budget.

Professional Advisory Committee - Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported the PAC met on January 5, 2012 and discussed tackling a Mental Health Plan Update this year. A few volunteers from the PAC have agreed to serve on a PAC Planning Team (PPT). A timeline is under development, and will be discussed by the PPT at their first meeting. Ideally, the PPT will work on altering the planning model to fit the Plan Update process, which will be less comprehensive than past years due anticipated systems changes. The PPT will look to launch a countywide Mental Health Needs Assessment to begin collecting community input regarding Ocean County's perceived priority needs.

Emergency Response Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Rev Pat Greeley reported January 18, 2012 has been canceled due to a DRCC Training scheduled for January 25, 2012.

Justice Involved Services Committee – Michael Roche

Michael Blatt reported on behalf of Michael Roche that the program is going well. JIS finished the calendar year of 2011 with 30% more cases than previous years. Michael Blatt advised the group that he would have the exact year-end numbers at the next meeting.

Joe Cuffari reported two police trainings were held at the Academy in December. JIS was highlighted as a service in the community.

Michael Roche advised the next Justice Involved Services meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2012 at 2:00pm.

Tracy Maksel reported a Universal Release of Information form would be launched as a pilot at the January 25, 2012 meeting.

Systems Review – Joseph Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported the Mental Health SRC will merge with the Addictions SRC as a pilot initiative. SRC continues to discuss the status and use, including access to, diversionary beds which are now provided through Hampton Behavioral Health. The exclusionary criterion for Hampton is much different than Carrier Clinic, who had provided the diversionary beds to Ocean prior to the RFP and subsequent award to Hampton. SRC will continue to monitor the flow to (admissions) and from (discharges) to seek areas for improvement.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services – Roger Borichewski

Roger Borichewski reported the Division of Mental Health and Addictions Services, now a merged DAS and DHS Division, are looking to secure a location for shared staff space. A table of organization has been developed in December 2011. This organizational table is available online. Tracy Maksel recommended to Roger that the table of organization include some descriptions of what each unit is responsible for, as most individuals accessing this information may not understand the civil service title functions as they relate to actual tasks. Roger explained briefly some details of the new table of organization.

Roger stated that until a permanent replacement is found for the position of Program Analyst, Lenore Velez-Rigney will represent Ocean County.

Michael Roche asked Roger about the status of Involuntary Outpatient Commitment. Roger explained there is currently \$2 million appropriated for the first seven IOC counties/programs. An Advisory Committee has been meeting to solicit input from community stakeholders as to how IOC should indeed be designed implemented. An RFP has been developed, and will be posted on January 13, 2012 to solicit responses from potential IOC providers for the first seven counties.

Roger also reported 17 coalitions were funded for prevention services. More information will be available shortly. In addition, there is \$470,000 available for two cultural training centers, one in the Northern region and one in the Southern region. Preliminary awards will be made on January 19, 2012 with final awards on February 02, 2012. Regarding the PACT and RIST expansions, there was \$519,000 made available for 20 slots for the fiscal year of 2012. RFP's for screening centers will continue to be released. Tracy Maksel asked if Ocean could volunteer to be included in the upcoming round of screening RFPs. Roger made note of the request. There is also an RFP pending for individuals who are dully diagnosed with developmental disabilities and DMHAS is looking to fund 20 slots, a total of \$ 2.1million. Lastly, an RFP for services to 25 individuals with legal issues will be released shortly.

Roger updated the Board regarding Early Intervention and Support Services programs, which currently operate in five counties, including Ocean. For 2012, DMHAS will look to add three additional EISS programs, but the counties have not been decided. Jim Cooney of Ocean Mental Health Services reported the Ocean Crest (EISS) program had to temporarily suspend admissions due to the volume of clients. Their referrals average about 110 per month. They realized they were not funded for that many clients per month. Jim stated of all the lessons learned through EISS thus far, the lack of prescribers is critical.

CIACC/System of Care - Jamie Hart/Tracy Makel

Tracy Maksel reported the main focus in Jamie's absence has been sustaining the Education Partnership initiative. Another next session will focus on the Juvenile Justice System. Also, Tracy provided an update regarding the recent release of the DCF RFP for Unified Case Management Organizations in three counties, not Ocean. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding UCM models and the structure of the actual RFP, with particular focus on the lack of CIACC involvement in the RFP review process as well as the lack of mention of CIACCs in the RFP as a community partner for UCMs to collaborate with.

Legislative Advocacy Committee (LAC) – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the LAC is planning their second Legislative Breakfast, which was originally scheduled for January but cancelled and now rescheduled for March 30, 2012. As information becomes available it will be shared. The next LAC meeting is scheduled for January 30, 2012 at 8:30am.

LACADA – Kimberly Reilly

Kimberly Reilly reported the LACADA Committee has not met since last December although there is a meeting schedule for January 2012. The County funding has been reinstated as of January 01, 2012. Ocean County residents who live in the County for six months are eligible for funding. There is a screening/assessment process for eligibility. There is also funding for detox.

NEW BUSINESS

Tracy Maksel reported a document entitled "The Roll of the Mental Health Administrators and Mental Health Boards in the New System Quality Improvement Model" was available in the packets for review. There was a discussion at the PAC meeting regarding the future of the Mental Health Boards with the new system of care, a result of the Medicaid waiver. Tracy encouraged the Board to read the document as it truly makes a case for the future of Mental Health Boards.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mental Health Awareness Stigma will have their annual Wellness Kick Office Celebration on May 02, 2012. Requests will go out regarding the individuals who should be honored at the event. Also there will be a Poetry Writing Contest and a Calendar contest. Location for this event will be the Toms River Library.

The NAMI Providers Fair is scheduled for May 09, 2012. Addiction services will be part of the fair this year.

ADJOURNMENT

Dennis Fleishman made a motion to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting at 7:15pm. All board members were in favor of the motion.

Karen Lederle Foglia, Secretary, OCMHB

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Date: January 4, 2012
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Approval of Mental Health Board Minutes – November 14, 2011

Old Business

Mental Health Board Committee Reports

Executive Committee

~ Rev. Peter Hartney

By-Laws Committee

~ DSG. Denis Campbell

- Approval of proposed bylaws revisions

Nominating/Membership Committee

~ Rev. Patricia Greeley

Budget and Program Review Committee

~ Dennis Fleishman

- Ratify Supportive Housing RFP Recommendations

Professional Advisory Committee

~ Tracy Maksel

Emergency Response Committee

~ Rev. Pat Greeley/Tracy Maksel

Justice Involved Services

~ Michael Roche

Systems Review Committee

~ Joe Cuffari/Joann Jason

Community Reports and Updates

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services

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CIACC/Children's System of Care

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Legislative Advocacy Committee

Local Advisory Council, Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

~ Kimberly Reilly

New Business

- Conflict of Interest Forms

Public Issues and Concerns

Announcements

Adjournment



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***Ocean County Mental Health Board
Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2011***

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Pastor Peter Hartney called the Mental Health Board meeting to order at 5:10PM. Attendance was taken by roll call and sign in sheets. Introductions were also made.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Having been published in all local newspapers, this meeting was held in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE

<i>Board Members Present</i>	<i>Mental Health Board Members Not Present:</i>
Det. Sgt. Denis Campbell	Karen Lederle Foglia
Dennis Fleishman	Sheri Forker
Rev. Patricia Greeley	Chris Lill
Jeannie Greene	<i>Staff Members</i>
Pastor Peter Hartney	Tracy Maksel
Donald Seckler	Suellen Semevolos
Gail Seckler	
 <i>Guest Attendance</i>	 <i>Guest Attendance</i>
Joy Reinhart	Lisa Schmidt
Michael Blatt	Chris Belluardo
Joe Cuffari	Loretta DiTocco
Michele Green Ferrante	Michael Roche
Marie Elna Sodeikes	Julie Barnett

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Denis Campbell and seconded by Dennis Fleishman to approve the Mental Health Board minutes of November 14, 2011. All Board members were in favor of the motion and the minutes were accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – Reverend Peter Hartney

Pastor Hartney reported the Executive Committee met prior to the Mental Health Board meeting. The Membership Committee report will be part of the Executive Committee report.

By-Laws Committee – DSG Denis Campbell

Denis Campbell reported an email was sent out with an attachment of the By-Laws with the proposed changes. The proposed changes were highlighted. There is a 30-day review period. Since there is no regular Mental Health Board meeting in December, the Board will vote on the changes at the January 09, 2012 meeting. The proposed changes were open for discussion with no comments.

Nominating/Membership Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Rev. Pat Greeley reported the Membership Committee met prior to the Mental Health Board meeting. The Committee reviewed a copy of the National Rotary Club's membership and recruitment policies

which focused a great deal on how they manage their membership and subsequent membership committee activities. It was determined by the Committee that portions of the Rotary's style and policies would easily apply to the Mental Health Board. For example, details specific to community outreach and education will serve as a stepping off point for the Committee to develop this activity further. In identifying members of the Community to potentially participate on the Board, the Committee would like to formalize a recruitment process along with a mentorship arrangement to assist in training new members as they are appointed. The Committee also expects that providers will assist in the process of identifying and even mentoring potential members. Specifically the Community Mental Health Centers and Self Help Centers can be strong partners in this endeavor. A bring a colleague/friend meeting will be held at least annually to introduce individuals to the Board and its function. The next phase, if an individual is interested in membership, is to require a three meeting engagement and a meeting with the Membership Committee to answer any questions. Tracy Maksiel reported a work plan will be presented to the Mental Health Board in January 2012.

Pat also reported the Board is in receipt of a letter from Christine Lill resigning from her position as a member of the Mental Health Board. Pat made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Christine Lill. Pastor Hartney seconded the motion and all Board members were in favor. Tracy reported that Loretta DiTocco submitted her letter of interest in becoming a member of the Mental Health Board. Loretta will fill the unexpired term of Chris Lill, effective December 2011. This matter has already been voted upon.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Dennis Fleishman

Dennis Fleishman reported on the November 04, 2011 review of the contract renewal packets for PESS and MHA NJ. It was agreed by the Committee to recommend renewal of these contracts. Comparison charts were provided to all Board members detailing contract elements across the proposed, and two prior fiscal years. Dennis made a motion for the Mental Health Board to approve the contract renewals as presented. The motion was seconded and all Board members were in favor of the motion.

Dennis reported On October 20, 2011 three (3) RFQs for County Mental Health Services for CY '2012' were posted on the County Bid Portal. The three RFQs were for:

- 1) A Full Continuum of Care/Services for Residents in Northern Ocean County, and;
- 2) A Full Continuum of Care/Services for Residents in Southern Ocean County, and;
- 3) For the Provision of Psychiatric Emergency Screening and Crisis Intervention Services for Residents in Ocean County with Acute and Chronic Mental Illness.

Three (3) responses were received on November 3, 2011 in the County Administrator's Office as required by the RFQ:

- 1) Preferred Behavioral Health of NJ for the Full Continuum of Care/Services for Residents in Northern Ocean County, and;
- 2) Ocean Mental Health Services for the Full Continuum of Care/Services for Residents in Southern Ocean County, and;
- 3) Kimball Medical Center's Psychiatric Emergency Screening Center for the Psychiatric Emergency Screening and Crisis Intervention Services for Residents in Ocean County with Acute and Chronic Mental Illness, and;

The Committee evaluated all three (3) RFQs on November 4, 2011. All three respondents have met the criteria set forth by the respective RFQs, including credentialing and licensing standards. Therefore,

the Committee's recommendation is to accept all three (3) RFQ responses. Furthermore, the Committee proposes that the recommended providers (listed below) receive funding for services outlined in the RFQ to which they responded. The details of the recommendations for each RFQ are as follows:

Recommendation 1

Agency		<i>Preferred Behavioral Health of NJ</i>	
RFQ 1	<p align="center">Continuum of Mental Health Care/Services for Residents of Northern Ocean County</p> <p align="center"><i>(Lakewood, Lakehurst, Jackson, Manchester, Plumsted, Brick, Pt. Pleasant, Pt. Pleasant Beach, Mantoloking, Bay Head)</i></p>		
Service	Funding	Service	Funding
Interact Partial Care Program Staff Person	\$34,659	Psychiatric Clinical Nurse Specialist	\$13,045
MICA Partial Care Program Van Driver	\$10,330	Senior Guidance Program Expansion, Southern County	\$47,590
Outpatient Services	\$257,495	Non-Personnel, Support Services	\$87,296
Adult Psychiatric Time	\$120,115		
Child Psychiatric Time	\$38,056		
Total Recommended Funding for Services			\$608,586

Recommendation 2

Agency		<i>Ocean Mental Health Services, Inc.</i>	
RFQ 2	<p align="center">Continuum of Mental Health Care/Services for Residents of Southern Ocean County</p> <p align="center"><i>(Barnegat, Barnegat Light, Beach Haven, Beachwood, Berkeley, Dover (Toms River), Eagleswood, Harvey Cedars, Island Heights, Lacey, Lavallette, Little Egg Harbor, Long Beach, Ocean Gate, Pine Beach, Seaside Heights, Seaside Park, Ship Bottom, South Toms River, Stafford, Tuckerton, Ocean)</i></p>		
Service	Funding	Service	Funding
Adolescent Day Treatment	\$24,236	Adult Psychiatric Time	\$94,646
Outpatient Services	\$335,649	Child Psychiatric Time	\$49,567
Non-Personnel, Support Services	\$83,251	Psychiatric Licensed Practical Nurse	\$36,330
Total Recommended Funding for Services			\$623,679

Recommendation 3

Agency		<i>Kimball Medical Center's Psychiatric Emergency Screening Service</i>	
RFQ 3	<p align="center">Psychiatric Emergency Screening and Crisis Intervention services for Residents in Ocean County with Acute and Chronic Mental Illness</p>		
Service	Funding	Service	Funding
Community Crisis Services	\$51,920	Off Site Psychiatric Services	\$28,244
Screening Services Including Two (2) Child-Family Clinicians and One (1) Geriatric Screener	\$204,034	Supervisory Retention Incentives	\$10,920
		On-Call Services for Off Site Screenings	\$56,144
		County CY 2007 Increase	\$16,583
Total Recommended Funding for Services			\$367,845

Dennis made a motion that the Board approve the Committee's RFQ recommendations as presented. The motion was seconded by Don Seckler and all Board member were in favor.

Lastly, Dennis reported the Committee will need to reviewed proposals submitted for Supportive Housing for Mental Health Consumers At Risk of Hospitalization and Homelessness, available as noted in the NJDMHAS Request For Proposal notification dated September 26, 2011. Unfortunately the due date of November 3, 2011 left little time for the Committee to review the responses and make informed recommendations prior to this meeting. Therefore, the Committee requests permission from the Board to engage in the RFP review and provide recommendations to DMHAS by November 23, 2011 with all recommendations to be ratified at the January Board meeting. A motion was made and seconded, all members were in favor.

Professional Advisory Committee - Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel the PACADA/PAC Conference is scheduled for Friday, November 18, 2011 at the Holiday Inn. The conference will focus on Prescription Medications. The next regular PAC meeting is scheduled for January 05, 2012 at 9:30am.

Emergency Response Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Pat Greeley reported the ERC Committee did not meet in October due to a DRCC Training. Prior to our regular meeting in November, the Team Leaders will convene to discuss volunteer participation.

Justice Involved Services Committee – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported there was a meeting on October 26, 2011 which was chaired by Michael Blatt. Michael Blatt recapped the highlights of the meeting reporting the caseload remains stable and a difficult case involving parole was reviewed. Joe Cuffari reported a meeting with Judge Daniels is scheduled on November 29, 2011 at 1:30pm regarding a particular case that was considered, but not enrolled in JIS. The team is doing well and hopefully after the meeting with Judge Daniels we will know more on how we can partner. Joe Cuffari reported in December he had two police academy trainings in which he highlighted how JIS program works. The next JIST meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2011 at 2:00pm.

Systems Review – Joseph Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported the hospitalization rate at PESS is still around 40%. St. Barnabas Behavioral has put together a PESS Treatment Team Committee to discuss the treatment plans at their three different centers. When more information is available it will be shared.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services – Joy Reinhart

Joy Reinhart reported the two RFPs for Supportive Housing, as reported by Dennis Fleishman, have been received in Ocean County. No new information has been received regarding any other RFPs.

CIACC/System of Care - Jamie Hart/Tracy Makel

Tracy Maksel reported on behalf of Jamie Hart that the CIACC would be meeting on Thursday, November 17, 2011 due to the holiday schedule. The Educational Sessions are well attended with positive feedback. The next session is scheduled for December 09, 2011 with a focus on Truancy Prevention.

Legislative Advocacy Committee (LAC) – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the LAC met on October 31, 2011. They discussed their second annual legislative breakfast, which is scheduled for either January 20, or 22, 2012. The next LAC meeting is scheduled for November 28, 2011 at 8:30am.

LACADA – Kimberly Reilly

No report given

NEW BUSINESS

No new business has been reported.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tracy Maksel announced that the Mental Health Board Appreciation is scheduled for December 12, 2011 at 5:00pm.

The Annual NAMI Holiday Party is scheduled for December 01, 2011 at 6:30am.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting. All members were in favor of the motion.

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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Rev. Peter Hartney called the Mental Health Board meeting to order at 5:10PM. Attendance was taken by roll call and sign in sheet. Introductions were also made at this time.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

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ATTENDANCE

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Det Sgt. Denis Campbell	Karen Lederle Foglia
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Denis Campbell and seconded by Dennis Fleishman to approve the Mental Health Board meeting minutes of September 12, 2011. All Board members were in favor of the motion and minutes were accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – Reverend Peter Hartney

Rev. Peter Hartney asked that all Board members confirm their intent to, or not to, attend meetings so that food orders are accurate.

Rev. Hartney announced that traditionally there is no Mental Health Board meeting in December due to the Human Services Joint Holiday Breakfast. This year, however, on December 12, 2011 there will be a Mental Health Board Appreciation Meeting at 5:00PM. The Freeholder will be in attendance. Also, this would be an opportunity for the agencies to report on what they have done throughout 2011.

By-Laws Committee – DSG Denis Campbell

Denis Campbell reported the Committee had met prior to this meeting and have proposed some changes to the bylaws. A draft will be prepared and forwarded to the Board for review at the next meeting. There will be a 30-day review and comment period prior to the Mental Health Board making

a final decision in January 2012. After the Board finalizes the changes, the bylaws will be forwarded to County Counsel for review.

Nominating Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Pat Greeley reported the Nominating Committee would be meeting at 3:30PM on November 14, 2011 prior to the Mental Health Board meeting.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Dennis Fleishman

Dennis Fleishman reported on a letter to Lynn Kovich, Assistant Commissioner recommending Lakewood Community Services' funding be renewed.

The Review Committee will meet on November 4, 2011 to review the RFQs along with DMHAS calendar year contracts. Recommendations will be presented to the Mental Health Board on November 14, 2011. Tracy Maksel advised the Board that the 2012 RFQs will be posted to the County Portal on October 20, 2011 with a return date of November 03, 2011.

Professional Advisory Committee - Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported that on October 06, 2011 a PAC information session on Megan's Law took place. The session was well attended and very informative. The Ocean County Prosecutor's Office went into great detail regarding the law and varying circumstances faced when implementing the law. Many things were learned and many myths were clarified. Tracy mentioned a follow up session regarding Megan's Law may be beneficial in 2012 for individuals who could not attend on October 6th. Michael Blatt reported that there are 700 registered Megan's Law offenders in Ocean County.

Tracy reported a meeting was held on October 14, 2011 with SRC, MHB, PAC and Ancora representatives to discuss problematic discharges. Every bullet point highlighted in the PAC correspondence provided to Lynn Kovich regarding the matter was discussed. There are a few follow up items, but importantly the meeting was productive. Tracy will arrange for the SRC, MHB and PAC to become more familiar with the SSPRC/CARP process. Ancora's medical director was in attendance and discussed medical issues and concerns with the providers present. The Medical Director asked that all medical concerns be forwarded to him directly. Consumers who are discharged without an ID were discussed, as this particular issue has been haunting our system for years. Michael Roche asked of monthly Ancora data was being submitted for SRC. Tracy did report that data has been received the last few months, but consistency will be monitored. A new Ancora representative will attend SRC meetings. Also, it was recommended at the October 14th meeting that Bill Scharfenberg from the Ocean County Prosecutors Office attend an upcoming SRC meeting to discuss how parole and the Prosecutor's Office may be of assistance in ensuring signed released of information are obtained for consumers with legal involvement, as this was identified as a barrier to service delivery and community oversight.

Emergency Response Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Pat Greeley reported there were no incidents. The October ERC meeting had been canceled due to a DRCC training, which was also canceled due to lack of attendance. Also, Pat reported the Team Leaders would be meeting November 16th prior to the ERC monthly meeting. This meeting is to strategize around volunteer sustainability.

Justice Involved Services Committee – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported that the next Justice Involved Services' meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2011 at 2:00PM.

Michael Blatt reported the program is doing well. There are 27 active cases. Joe Cuffari is trying to schedule a meeting with Judge Daniels.

Systems Review – Joseph Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported that discussions were had specific to individuals who return to short term care when longer term care is necessary. Joe reported if the consumer needs long term care he would advocate for that. Joe announced that Ron Dancer was a guest at the Systems Review Committee meeting. Ron Dancer discussed proposed changes to the law in which the process for commitment hearings are defined. More specifically, the timeline for notifying family and attorneys prior to the commitment hearing often conflicts with the established timeline for holding a hearing within 20 days of a commitment. Therefore, Ron is advocating for the 20 day rule to take precedence thus establishing more flexibility for notifications.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services – Joy Reinhart

Joy Reinhart reported that Hagedorn Hospital is closed to all admissions. There are stakeholder meetings scheduled for October 19, November 16 and December 21, 2011. There will be scheduling of family meeting and hospital tours thereafter for relocations.

The hospital census statewide is 1535 with 36% of that number on CEPP status. There were 143 vacancies statewide. In fiscal year 2011 there were 171 supportive housing beds available. For this fiscal year there will be 110 supportive housing beds statewide, fifty supportive housing beds for individuals at risk for hospitalization.

Joy also reported DMHAS has awarded the geriatric statewide consultation services to Trinitas, who was the only applicant. An RFP will be put out for Monmouth, Mercer and Essex counties will be released for EISS.

New letterhead has been developed and they are moving forward with the DMHAS merger. A draft table of organization is under development.

The RFP for Involuntary Outpatient Commitment is being drafted and issued soon with an award in early 2012. RFPs for the next three county screening centers will be released shortly.

CMS approved the State Plan Amendment on October 01, 2011. Crisis services will be reimbursable.

There have been no reductions to the contracts and there will be some changes as to how the contracts are administered.

CIACC/System of Care - Jamie Hart

Tracy Maksel reported on behalf of Jamie Hart who is on maternity leave. Tracy called the Boards attention to the CIACC's Behavioral Health Child Protective Services and Education Systems Partnership schedule. The most recent training took place on Friday, October 14, 2011 at Lacey High School. This training was a huge success with 91 individuals in attendance and feedback was excellent.

Tracy highlighted the Education Partnership Progress Summary for 2011, which highlights the pre and post test results for individuals engaged in the Partnership sessions. Overall, based on the measurable outcomes, the program is having a positive impact upon knowledge development in the school community.

Tracy informed that Board that the Ocean County CIACC FY2012 Work Plan has been submitted by Jamie for Board approval. Every year a work plan for the up-coming year is presented, which shows their mission, objective, their action description and their target completion date. This Work Plan was approved by the CIACC on September 22, 2011. Since the CIACC falls under the Mental Health Board, the Board must formally approve the Work Plan. A motion was made by Pat Greeley and seconded by Denis Campbell to approve the CIACC FY2012 Work Plan. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

It was also reported that there was speculation on how the Medicaid Waiver will impact the Aging Out population. One of the recommendations from the CIACC System Review was to hold a joint CIACC and Mental Health Board meeting with DCF and DMHAS to review any plans for the Aging Out population and DD/MI needs.

Legislative Advocacy Committee (LAC) – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the LAC met on September 26, 2011. The next meeting is scheduled for October 31, 2011. Michael advised the Board that their first Legislative Breakfast was held in January 2011 and they are intending to schedule their second breakfast for January 2012.

LACADA – Kimberly Reilly

Kimberly Reilly reported site reviews were being held and that to date several facilities including short term have been completed. The PAC/PACADA Conference is scheduled for November 18, 2011 at the Holiday Inn, Route 37, Toms River. The topic of the conference is “Out of the medicine cabinet into the Streets” Prescription Drugs. The keynote speaker is Ronald DiLigny from the Prosecutor’s Office. The brochure should be available by end of the week and will be shared with all. Kimberly also reported that discussions are taking place to merge the mental health and drug and alcohol SRCs. More information regarding this merger will be shared as soon as it becomes available.

NEW BUSINESS

Rev. Hartney highlighted the 2012 Mental Health Resource Directory, which is ready for distribution. There have been some significant changes to the directory.

Rev. Hartney commended NAMI for their successful annual picnic, which was well attended.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NAMI’s Annual Holiday Party is scheduled for December 01, 2011 at 6:30PM.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mental Health Board was adjourned at 6:30PM. All Board members were in favor of the adjournment.



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To: Mental Health Board Meeting Guests
From: Tracy Maksel, Assistant Director
Date: October 13, 2011
Subject: MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The next **Mental Health Board Meeting** will be held on:

~Monday~
October 17, 2011, 5:00 pm
Ocean County Dept. of Human Services
1027 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, N.J.

Please contact our office (tbattaglio@co.ocean.nj.us) or 732-506-5374 to confirm your attendance. Thank you and we look forward to your attendance.

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COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

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ATTENDANCE

<i>Board Members Present</i>	<i>Mental Health Board Members Not Present:</i>
DSG. Denis Campbell	Karen Lederle Foglia
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Sheri Forker	
Rev. Patricia Greeley	<i>Staff Members</i>
Jeannie Greene, RN	Tracy Maksel
Rev. Peter Hartney	Terri Battaglio
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Gail Seckler	
<i>Guest Attendance</i>	
Chris Belluardo	Joy Reinhart
Michael Blatt	Michael Roche
Jim Cooney	Lisa M. Schmidt
Joe Cuffari	Bill Sette
Kathy Delornae	Julie Vanore
Loretta M. DiTocco	Ely Weinschneider
Michele Green-Ferrante	Anthony Zazzarino
Jamie Hart	
Michael Jones	
Kimberly Reilly	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Rev. Patricia Greeley and seconded by Dennis Fleishman to approve the July 11, 2011 Mental Health Board minutes. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – Reverend Peter Hartney

Reverend Peter Hartney reported the Executive Committee met prior to the general Mental Health Board meeting tonight and discussed sub-committee work and turned the floor over to each committee report.

By-Laws Committee – DSG Denis Campbell

DSG Denis Campbell, By-Laws Committee Chair, reported that the By-Laws committee consisting of Rev. Peter Hartney, Donald Seckler, Karen Lederle Foglia and Sheri Forker will meet on Monday, October 17, 2011, at 3:30 PM at 1027 Hooper Avenue, 3rd floor conference room.

Nominating Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Reverend Patricia Greeley reported that the next meeting has a tentative date of Monday, November 14, 2011, at 3:30 PM at 1027 Hooper Avenue, 3rd floor conference room. The committee will begin to process Goals and Objectives. Part of the G&O process will be engaging with the community and making the Mental Health Board known. Another will be concentrating on a mentoring relationship with Mental Health Board members. Any suggestions are welcome. Rev. Greeley reported that Loretta DiTocca's letter of interest is in the membership process.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Dennis Fleishman

Dennis Fleishman reported that on Tuesday, August 30, 2011 the Budget and Program Review committee met to discuss the annual contract renewal of Lakewood Community Services Corporation in the amount of \$95,000. The committee is in agreement to renew the contract. Dennis made a motion to accept the findings of the committee in this regard. Denis Campbell seconded the motion. All agreed. Reverend Hartney asked that the Board send a letter to LCSC regarding the continued funding. All agreed.

Professional Advisory Committee - Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported that PAC met on Thursday, September 1, 2011. The committee discussed the level of preparedness for Hurricane Irene. The discussion was about gathering information from our providers, especially the community health centers and residential providers as to actions taken prior to the hurricane in the preparation stages. The question posed was where can the Department of Human Services, the Mental Health Board and the Emergency Response Committees assist in future preparedness efforts. Tracy reported that during a Human Services Directors conference call on Monday, August 29, 2011, Commissioner Jennifer Velez was requesting identified areas of need during Hurricane Irene. Commissioner Velez was inquiring about the statewide flow of communication and possible disconnects between providers, emergency response personnel, federal government groups especially those providing shelter. Tracy also questioned what the emergency plan looks like for residential health care facilities in the area. The idea is to understand what boarding homes and residential healthcare facilities emergency plans are and a statewide recognition of the fact that the community does not know what those plans look like. The plans exist and there are requirements, but there is little insight as to how those plans are implemented. Another point made was the stigma attached to mental health consumers arriving in shelters. Much of this will be addressed at the FEMA debriefing.

Tracy reported that the packets contain a copy of the letter to Lynn Kovich, Assistant Director, DMHAS regarding Ancora Psychiatric Hospital specific to discharges and the discharge planning process. The letter captures investigative work that the SRC and PAC had done. The letter summarizes trends and issues through the fiscal year. The letter was sent on July 25, 2011, which the Assistant Commissioner promptly replied that she will collaborate with the county to resolve issues. Tracy received a call from Cynthia Vetrano, APH, requesting a meeting with the stakeholders involved in the compilation of the letter. Tracy is currently working to schedule that meeting.

On October 6, 2011 PAC will hold an information session with the OC Prosecutor's office regarding Megan's Law offenders and their integration into the mental health service delivery system at 1027 Hooper Avenue, 3rd floor conference room, 9:30-11:30 AM. This training is open to all Mental Health Providers. Tracy urged everyone to register early because seating is limited.

Emergency Response Committee – Reverend Patricia Greeley

Reverend Patricia Greeley reported there was no ERC August meeting. Michael Blatt reported that he was among the Ocean DRCCs who responded to the Liberty State Park 9-11 Ceremony in which family members of the 746 New Jersey residents who were killed in the September 11, 2001 attack were invited to the unveiling of the Empty Sky Memorial.

Justice Involved Services Committee – Michael Blatt

Michael Blatt reported that the committee met on July 27, 2011. A majority of the meeting was spend reviewing a particularly challenging case in which a Judge was referring. Michael Roche reported that the next meeting will be Wednesday, October 26, 2011.

Systems Review – Joseph Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported that there was no meeting in August.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services – Joy Reinhart

Joy Reinhart reported that the merger continues. On the DMHAS calendar is a meeting at the end of the month and a regional consortium in Little Egg Harbor. DAS will be moving to central office, no specifics yet. DMHAS is working to develop a cost associated with certain services in terms of a fee for service model. Someone has been hired to work on that. The drafting of an RFP for an ASO has been completed. A RFP is coming out from DMHAS for legally involved individuals involved with Megan's Law.

CIACC/System of Care - Jamie Hart

Jamie Hart reported that there are no follow-ups concerning statewide issues at this time. The Education Sub-Committee has been meeting over the summer developing a schedule for cross training with schools for the upcoming school year. The schedule is in the packet. The first part of the 3-day training series is Friday, October 14, 2011, a primer on childhood mental health diagnosis and medications, introduction to self-mutilation and children's behavioral health resources in Ocean County. Jamie reported that in August, OPC, Ocean Partnership for Children, Community Resource Development Fund has \$25,000 available focused on the expansion on outpatient services for youth. Submissions are due by the end of the month. More information can be found on the OPC website. The 2011-2012 school year calendar, filled with students' art, produced by the Mental Health Awareness Committee is in the packets. Anyone needing more quantities please contact Jamie. A first annual essay contest will be held for the Mental Health Awareness Month kickoff in May. The winner will read their essay or poem at the event. Jamie announced this is her last MHB meeting before her maternity leave.

Legislative Advocacy Committee (LAC) – Michael Roche

Michael Roche reported the LAC committee did not meet in August. Last January the committee held a legislative breakfast. A topic for the next meeting is whether to have the breakfast again. The next meeting is Wednesday, October 26, 2011, 8:30 AM at 1027 Hooper Avenue, 3rd floor conference room.

LACADA – Kimberly Reilly

Kimberly Reilly announced that she started her position as OCHD Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services Coordinator on August 11, 2011. The last LACADA meeting focused upon how providers are expending their 2011 funds. Short term residential is expended quickly. Benzodiazepine and Xanax

continue to be the drug of choice in Ocean. In addition, youth are using prescriptions found in the home. LACADA is looking at methods to educate staff and the community regarding the abuse of prescription drugs, therefore, the topic for the PAC/PACADA conference is “Out of the Medicine Cabinet and Into the Street: Prescription Drugs”. At this time, PACADA is looking to confirm a venue for the conference. At the next LACADA meeting the 2012 funds and their assignments will be discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Ocean Crest – Jim Cooney

Ocean Community Resource for Emergency Stabilization and Treatment (CREST) opened on August 1, 2011. The location is 1376 Route 9, Toms River. The DMHAS contract calls for 700 individuals per year. The first month 118 of 131 referrals were accepted into the program. The percentage of individuals that come from the screening program is 35%, 27% come from OMHS and PBH. The focus now is on referral and linkage to move consumers quickly to resources available in the community. The fast track system, north (PBH) and south (OMHS) is set up through this contract. The Mental Health Association is also a partner of this program. The goal is to get individuals out of the CREST Program and into ongoing support quickly. Data will be shared at SRC regularly.

PUBLIC ISSUES AND CONCERNS

Tracy Maksel reported that FEMA has set up Disaster Response Centers (DRCs) in all twenty-one counties due to the state of emergency that was issued during and after Hurricane Irene. Ocean County’s DRC will be opened to the public tomorrow at noon at 270 Cedarbridge Avenue in Bricktown. The Department of Human Services staff will be there to provide information, referrals and local resources.

Tracy reported that the location of tonight’s meeting was changed due to technology upgrades currently underway for the Telepsychiatry service. The visit to screening is postponed until upgrades are completed.

Tracy announced that provider agencies are welcomed to host future MHB meetings. Presentations or tours are held at the hosting agency from 4-5 PM in lieu of the Executive committee meeting. The general meeting starts at 5 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michael Jones announced the NAMI picnic is Wednesday, September 28, 2011. The picnic will take place from 12-2 PM at Veterans Park, Berkeley Township.

Reverend Hartney announced that the next MHB meeting is Monday, October 17, 2011 due to the Columbus Day holiday on October 10, 2011.

The Mental Health Association and the Department of Labor are collaborating on Tools for Success, a six-week program for individuals who could possibly lose their benefits. The MHA has filed for a grant to continue the program for another year. The MHA committee plans to partner with the Journey to Health Wellness Center in order to link services. The plan is for the program to run continuously.

Anthony Zazzarino announced that Triple C Housing has expanded their supportive housing program by receiving the “Supportive Housing Services for Persons Discharged from State Hospitals” award. Triple C Housing will increase capacity by two individuals by the end of October.

Lisa Schmidt, Collaborative Support Programs NJ, announced their expansion and hope for connecting with individuals from Jackson.

Michael Jones, NAMI announced he will not be able to attend meetings for the following year due to work scheduling.

Chris Belluardo announced that Saint Barnabas Behavioral Health Center has undergone a name change and will now be known as Barnabas Health System.

ADJOURNMENT

Denis Campbell made a motion, which was seconded by Jeannie Greene, to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting of September 12, 2011. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

Karen Lederle Foglia, Secretary, OCMHB

Date



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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Dennis Fleishman and seconded by DSgt. Denis Campbell to approve the June 13, 2011 Mental Health Board minutes. All Board members were in favor of the motion. There was one abstention, Karen Lederle Foglia.

OLD BUSINESS

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – Reverend Peter Hartney

Reverend Peter Hartney stated that this being the first Board meeting of the fiscal year, the purpose of said meeting is to review and reorganize committee leadership and the appointment of committee chairpersons. Denis Campbell will chair the Bylaws committee. The Budget and Program Review committee Chairperson position was offered to Dennis Fleishman. Dennis accepts the position. The Nominating committee Chairperson position was offered to Reverend Patricia Greeley who accepted. The Justice Involved Services committee is being asked to appoint their own chair from amongst Commission members. A consultant committee, as an ad-hoc to the Budget and Program Review committee will be formed. Rev. Hartney asked Michael Jones to serve on this committee with Michael Roche and himself.

By-Laws Committee – DSG Denis Campbell

Denis reported that members would be needed for the Bylaws committee because its members have cycled off the Board. Denis invited Karen Foglia, Sheri Forker, and Don Seckler to be part of the committee. All accepted. Sheri Forker will be asked at a later date. A meeting will be convened once a date is chosen to make changes and update the language in the Bylaws.

Nominating Committee – Reverend Peter Hartney

Rev. Hartney welcomed Jeannie Greene as a Mental Health Board Commissioner as of July 6, 2011. Peter stated that conflict of interest forms and committee assignment forms are in the packet. The responsibilities associated with each committee are included in the form. Members are asked to pick at least one committee to engage with. The second Monday in August will be the orientation for the new Board members. Meeting details will be announced. Tracy Maksel added that the Executive Committee is asking the Nominating Committee, lead by Rev. Pat Greeley to take on additional functions. One is to develop a protocol for accepting memberships and mentoring Board members in a more formal format. Tracy added that the Mentally Ill/Chemically Addicted (MICA) Task Force meetings have been conjoined with Ocean County Health Department PACADA. By August, Mental Health Board member handbooks will be updated.

Budget and Program Review Committee – Reverend Peter Hartney

Rev. Hartney reported that the PESS waiver was granted for the telepsychiatry. Rev. Hartney called for a motion to ratify the Team's recommendation regarding Triple C Housing for the CEPP RFP. Dennis Fleishman made a motion to ratify the Team's recommendation of TCH for the CEPP RFP. Denis Campbell seconded the motion. All Board members were in favor of the motion. Dennis Fleishman made a motion to support Ocean Mental Health for the PACT expansion. Karen Lederle Foglia seconded the motion. All Board members were in favor. Karen Lederle Foglia made a motion to support RHD for the RIST expansion. Dennis Fleishman seconded the motion. All Board members were in favor. James Cooney, Ocean Mental Health thanked all for their recommendations.

Professional Advisory Committee - Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel announced that the PAC/PACADA joint meeting will be held tomorrow July 12, 2011 at the Agricultural building on the second floor. The second County Forum will be held from 9- 11:30 AM. Light refreshments will be served courtesy of the OC Health Department. Fifty people have registered to date. Vicki Fresolone, Service Director, NJDMHAS will do a presentation on the NJ Division of Mental Health and Addictions merger.

On October 6, 2011 PAC will hold a cross training with the OC Prosecutor's office regarding Megan's Law offenders and their integration into the mental health service delivery system here at DHS 9:30-11:30 AM. This training is open to Mental Health Providers.

The next PAC meeting is September 1, 2011.

Emergency Response Committee – Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported the ERC participated in a Red Cross Shelter Exercise held in June. In addition, A DRCC Skill Building Session, facilitated by Steve Crimando, was held on June 25, 2011. The DRCC members broke into four scenarios using role-playing. Tracy announced that clipboards with notebooks will be distributed at the next ERC meeting. Michael Blatt stated that the OC training was mentioned by Steve Crimando at the State DRCC Advisory Board meeting. On Monday, July 25,

2011 there will be a DRCC 9-11 Anniversary Training lead by Megan Sullivan from 12-3 PM here at DHS. Suellen Semevolos will forward additional information regarding the training electronically.

Justice Involved Services Committee – Michael Blatt

Michael Blatt reported the Taskforce meets quarterly and the next meeting is scheduled for July 27, 2011 at 2:00 PM. Michael stated that the program has just finished their third fiscal year. The program serviced more people than the fiscal year before. There is a meeting tomorrow between providers and Judge Daniels at 11 AM. Brochures are nearly done. The committee finished the year with a caseload of 34.

Systems Review – Joseph Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported that there is much frustration with State hospitals when consumers are released with incomplete paperwork. They do not provide information that is required upon release. The hospitalization rate in the crisis unit is 60%. Joe Cuffari stated he believes the high hospitalization rate in Ocean is the result of a conservative approach as PESS, along with a lack of homeless shelter and detox beds in the County. Tracy Maksel stated that while the County government in Ocean does not own and operate a homeless shelter, there are indeed shelters in Ocean County. Rev. Hartney articulated that Ocean does in fact shelter individuals who are homeless, and there are many forms of “shelter” other than the traditional homeless shelter approach. Tracy asked Joe what the hospitalization rates are in Counties that have an established homeless shelter, as the sentiment that high psychiatric hospitalization rates per county is correlated to the lack of “homeless shelters” needs to be supported through data. Furthermore, Tracy stated that Ocean County funds the Atlantic City Rescue Mission to place Ocean’s homeless as an alternative. However, it is the consumers choice to pursue the options made available. A lengthy discussion took place regarding consumer choice, lack of permanent affordable housing, and alternatives to PESS. Questions were asked as to how PESS engages with PATH and BOSS to link individuals presenting as homeless. There was mention of inviting PATH members to the next SRC meeting.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND UPDATES

New Jersey Division of Mental Health Services – Joy Reinhart

Joy Reinhart reported on personnel changes at the Division of Mental Health & Addiction Services. There are five additional retirees from the central office. Alan Carmey, head of the Licensing Division has also retired and Gene DeVito will fill his position. Licensing will merge with the Division of Addiction Services. Lynn Kovich has been appointed the Assistant Commissioner of DMHAS and Raquel Jeffers will fill the Deputy Director position. The new position of Assistant Director of the Office of Care Management is still open. The Stigma Council is working on a tagline from what the new merged division should be. Incident reporting will be centralized. Addiction Services Complaint Unit has moved to Licensing. Addiction Services will move to where the Division office is at a later point. State hospitals have been accredited. Treatment malls exist at all four state hospitals. Centralized Admissions is fully implemented. In the past four years, the census statewide at state hospitals went from 2255 to 1753 by the end of May. The admissions from June 2007 went from 3312 to 2135, a decrease of 1777. Discharges were down as well. Thirty-two Peer Wellness coaches have been trained and that program has been completed. The Division is waiting to see how it will be implemented. There is a Federal Grant to expand wellness initiatives. There is a Global Waiver that is pending. The Community Support Services, part of the State Plan Amendment has been approved. This will affect supportive housing. The ASO is anticipated in January 2013. There will be a RFP prior to that. There will be a RFP out in September for involuntary outpatient commitments.

Medicaid individuals have been rolled into HMO's. This week's agenda will include going over statewide proposals for scoring reconciliations so they can be awarded.

CIACC/System of Care

Tracy Maksel reported that Jamie Hart will be going on maternity leave approximately around the time the Board meets again in September.

Legislative Advocacy Committee (LAC) – Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel attended the last LAC meeting. The LAC has completed their meetings with the legislative districts. The LAC is narrowing their focus from privatization of all the state hospitals to Hagedorn.

LACADA – Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported that Dr. Bonnie Fenyar has resigned as the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinator at the OCHD creating a vacant position.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was reported.

PUBLIC ISSUES AND CONCERNS

Michael Jones reported that Hoboken has declared themselves a stigma free zone. A possible idea for Ocean County.

Michael Jones announced that NAMI is considering an Ocean County location for their statewide walk. One locale mentioned is Veterans Park. The projected date for the walk is May 2012. Approximately 150 volunteers will be needed to staff this event.

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Michael Jones announced the NAMI picnic will take place September 21, 2011. The location will most probably be Veterans Park, Berkeley Township.

James Cooney announced that Ocean Mental Health is hoping to get the Early Intervention Program going by August 1, 2011. One obstacle is obtaining a Medicaid license. An application has been made.

Joy Reinhart announced that there is a RFP on the NJDMHAS website for a Geriatric Intervention Case Management Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Karen Lederle Foglia made a motion, which was seconded by Denis Fleishman, to adjourn the Mental Health Board meeting of July 11, 2011. All Board members were in favor of the motion.

Denis Campbell, Vice-Chair, OCMHB

Date

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MEMORANDUM

To: Emergency Response Committee (ERC)
From: Tracy Maksel, Assistant Director
Date: November 2011
Subject: ERC MEETING NOTICE/AGENDA/MINUTES

The next **Emergency Response Committee Meeting** will be held on:

~Wednesday~
March 21, 2012
9:30 am

Please contact our office (SSemevolos@co.ocean.nj.us or 732-506-5374, Extension 3977) to confirm your attendance. Thank you for you're continued cooperation and we look forward to your attendance.

AGENDA

Call To Order/Sign In/Compliance Statement

Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2011

Old Business

Mental Health Board - *Tracy Maksel*

Preparedness Reports

Training Report - Tracy Maksel

Presentation Report – Tracy Maksel

NJDRCC Update - Michael Blatt

Incident Debriefing/Updates

Northern Team- Michael Blatt /Lisa Chiara

Southern Team- Karen Kenney

Psychiatric Emergency Screening Services (PESS) – Joseph Cuffari

Alpha Team- Dan Schafer

Traumatic Loss Coalition- Karen Bright

American Red Cross – Leo Pratt

Public Health Emergency Preparedness & Response Advisory Committee

New Business

Announcements

Adjournment

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*Ocean County Mental Health Board – Emergency Response Committee
Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2011*

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Rev. Pat Greeley called the Emergency Response Committee meeting to order at 9:40am. Attendance was taken by sign-in sheet and introductions were made.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Having been published in all local newspapers, this meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE

Ryan Reilly – OC Dept of Human Services	Leo Pratte – American Red Cross
Lee Ellis – SOMC	Karen Kenney – Pineland Regional Schools
Pastor Peter Hartney – Mental Health Board	Lisa Chiara – Preferred Behavioral Health
Tracy Maksel – OC Dept. of Human Services	Rev. Pat Greeley – Church of Grace and Peace
Michael Blatt – Preferred Behavioral Health	Chap Barbara Miles – Community Medical Center
Karen Bright – Kimball Med. Center – PESS/TLC	Joseph Cuffari = Kimball Medical Center – PESS
Kimberly Reilly – OC Dept of Health – Alcohol/Drug	Michele Green Farrante – Mental Health Association
Joy Reinhart – Div of Mental Health & Addiction Serv.	Suellen Semevolos - OC Dept of Human Services

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Leon Ellis and seconded by Pastor Hartney to approve the meeting minutes of November 16, 2011. All members were in favor of the motion and the minutes have been approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Mental Health Board – Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported the Board is reviewing calendar year NJDMHAS contracts. In addition, the proposal Board is in the process of reviewing the RFP responses for Supportive Housing for Consumers at Risk. The recommendations will be forwarded to DMHAS by November 21, 2011.

Training Report – Tracy Maksel

Tracy Maksel reported a DRCC training was scheduled last month but canceled due to only 4 individuals registering. This training will be rescheduled, no date has been set.

The Team Leaders met to discuss issues specific to working with the DRCC Advisory Team and DMHAS. Issues discussed included building volunteer sustainability and community specific training.

Presentation Report – Tracy Maksel

A presentation was scheduled in November at the Leisure Village Adult Community, which was canceled. No additional requests have been received for a presentation. We did receive positive feedback from the presentation that was done at the Office for Emergency Management office.

NJDRCC Update – Michael Blatt

Michael Blatt reported the Advisory Board meeting had been canceled.

Incident/Debriefing/Updates

- *Northern Team – Michael Blatt/Lisa Chiara*
Michael reported the Northern Team has not been deployed.

- *Southern Team – Karen Kenney*
Karen reported the Team has nothing new to reported.

- *ALPHA Team – Dan Schafer*
No report was given.

- *Traumatic Loss Coalition – Karen Bright*
Karen Bright reported TLC was involved in an incident in Manchester where a 14 year old died after a gym class. Karen also conducted a presentation at the Barnegat Schools regarding crisis plans, suicides and grief. Basically all topics were covered in the presentation.

- *American Red Cross – Leo Pratt*
Leo Pratte reported that during the course of Hurricane Irene there were 18,000 evacuations with 14,000 reported in Southern New Jersey. Leo reported the American Red Cross had 66 shelters open throughout the State of New Jersey. The state was not prepared for this hurricane especially in the Atlantic City area. The biggest surprise was that 20% were special needs individuals. There were not enough resources to handle these individuals.

- *Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response*
No report.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business has been reported

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tracy Maksel announced the Mental Health Board's Appreciation Event is scheduled for December 12, 2011 at 5:00PM. All sub-committee members of the Mental Health Board will receive and invitation via email to this event.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Lee Ellis and seconded by Peter Hartney to adjourn the Emergency Response Committee meeting at 11:05AM. All were in favor of the motion.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Professional Advisory Committee
From: Tracy Maksel, Assistant Director
Date: March , 2012
PAC MEETING NOTICE

The next **PAC Meeting** will be held on:

~Thursday~
April 05 2012
9:30 AM

Ocean County Department of Human Services
1027 Hooper Avenue, Bldg. 2, 3rd Floor, Conference Room, Toms River

Please contact our office (ssemevolos@co.ocean.nj.us) or 732-506-5374 to confirm your attendance. Thank you and we look forward to your attendance.

AGENDA

Call To Order/Sign In/Compliance Statement

Approval of Minutes – January 05, 2012

Old Business

Project Team Report

Agency Updates

New Business

SRC Updates

Public Issues and Concerns

Announcements

Adjournment



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***Ocean County
Professional Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
January 05, 2012***

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Michael Blatt called the Professional Advisory Committee meeting to order on behalf of Cliff VanNest at 9:30am. Attendance was taken by sign in sheet and introductions were made.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Having been published in all local newspapers, this meeting was held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE

Julie Barnett – RHD/RIST
Dennis Fleishman – Mental Health Board
John Tritto – OC Board of Social Services
Michael Roche – Mental Health Board/NAMI
Tracy Maksel – OC Dept of Human Services
Ramona DeFonza – CHLP.
Julie Vanore – Preferred Behavioral Health
Jim Cooney – Ocean Mental Health Services
Jana Bova – CSPNJ
Suellen Semevolos – OC Dept. of Human Services

Rick DeGironimo – Ocean Partnership for Children
Kimberly Reilly – OCHD
Anthony Zazzarino – Triple C Housing
Michael Blatt – Preferred Behavioral Health
Joe Cuffari – Kimball Med. Center – PESS Unit
Laura Williams – The ARC, Ocean County
Bill Sette – Preferred Behavioral Health
Michele Green Ferrante – MHA NJ.
Joseph Meany – CSPNJ

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Bill Sette and seconded by Michael Roche to approve the minutes of the Professional Advisory Committee meeting held on September 01, 2011. All were in favor of the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

Project Team Report

Tracy Maksel reported the last PAC cross training was held on October 06, 2011, which focused on Megan’s Law and Megan’s Law Offenders. The Ocean County Prosecutors office conducted this session, which was met with excellent attendance and positive feedback. SinHopefully, 2012 will bring additional recommended topics for the ongoing cross training initiative.

Tracy Maksel reported the last Project Team meeting was held in September 2011. During the last PAC meeting Michael Roche suggested we revisit our Mental Health Plan Update which was conducted in 2009. More specifically, it was suggested that a “light” version of the planning process be considered. Tracy mentioned that many of the original Project Team members are no longer serving on the PAC due to changes in the system. Therefore, Tracy asked for volunteers to serve on the Project Team. The following individuals volunteered to participate: Kimberly Reilly, Michele Green Ferrante, Julie Vanore, Julie Barnett, Rick DeGironimo, Michael Blatt, and Michael Roche. In assessing initial consideration for a planning process, concerns were raised

regarding changes that will be realized in the near future due to the NJDMHAS Medicaid Waiver and the merger of mental health and addictions at the State level. The planning process needs to embrace all the changes.

Ocean County typically engaged in a plan update process every three years. Over the last three years since the 2009 plan, the PAC has developed a number of documents regarding concerns identified specific to the service delivery system. For example, the PAC and SRC worked to develop a 50-page report with cover letter submitted to Lynn Kovich, DMHAS Assistant Commissioner, highlighting detailed concerns (with supporting documentation) specific to Ancora discharges, discharge planning, data sharing, and other related issues. It was recommended that much of the information within these documents be used for the plan update, as the PAC has dedicated a great deal of time and effort in tackling these issues which truly attest to the ongoing commitment in Ocean to enhance service delivery. Tracy suggested the Project Team look at the existing PAC documents to determine what may emerge as existing priority themes. It was mentioned that a community survey was conducted during the last planning cycle. The Project Team may wish to consider if another survey should be included in this planning cycle. Tracy advised the group that the PAC Planning proves should also consider the Children's Behavioral Health Needs Assessment, a recent assessment conducted by the CIACC and HSAC, the Drug and Alcohol Units Comprehensive Plan, and the Office for Individuals with Disabilities recent community needs survey.

Michael Roche suggested a representative from the State should be part of the team or at least be invited to the meetings.

Tracy reported during the planning process a service delivery matrix would be developed. Providers will be solicited to either develop or update their matrix information, which is categorized by Early Intervention, Treatment and Support Services.

Also, Tracy advised the group the Justice Involved Services would be piloting a Universal Release of Information Form. The length of the pilot will be approximately 6 months, at which time an assessment regarding the use of the form would be conducted.

AGENCY UPDATES

Ocean MHS

Jim Cooney from Ocean Mental Health Services reported the Ocean CREST Program has been in operation for 5 1/2 months, with a contracted level of service for 60 consumers per month. CREST has experienced a level of service exceeding the contract, approximately 75 consumers per month. There were 140 CREST referrals in December of 2011. CREST current has 128 active cases. A majority of CREST consumers are seeking medication. The main priority of the program is to access services.

Community Health Law Project – Ramona DeFonza

Ramona DeFonza reported there have been concerns regarding access to residential health care facilities to assist consumers. The Law Project does have a boarding home outreach program, which is funded through a state grant. Ramona reported CHLP

outreached the Lexington and Dover Woods RHCs regarding CHLP visiting the facility to discuss issues with consumers. Ramona advised the group that she would draft a letter to both providers asking their permission to come and visit the facility.

Psychiatric Emergency Screening – Joe Cuffari

Joe Cuffari reported two PESS staff, which are County funded to serve Southern Ocean County, will be moving from their space at Meridian (SOCH Medical Center) to Stafford Police Department. When asked about the move, Joe reported there were safety issues at SOCH that could not be resolved. The arrangement with Stafford Police Department may serve to enhance the partnership between the mental health system and law enforcement, and if the situation works well, Joe may seek additional opportunities in other townships.

PESS will replicate their Kimball unit design at Community Medical Center. Joe Cuffari will supervise the Community Medical Center unit in the same fashion as Kimball.

It was also reported that Systems Review will look to capture data regarding the number of individuals presenting at screening with primary substance abuse issues.

RHD/RIST – Julie Barnett

Julie Barnett reported the RHD central office in Philadelphia is highlighting the Ocean RIST peer specialist by publishing an article in the RHD newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

Tracy Maksel called attention to a document entitled “The Role of County Mental Health Administrators and Boards in New System Quality Improvement. This document, which was provided in the handouts, details the NJ Association of County Mental Health Administrators ideologies specific to the transforming system of care and the role county MHAs and MHBs may have in quality improvement. Tracy encouraged all PAC members to review the document as many changes to the system are anticipated.

PUBLIC ISSUES AND CONCERNS

No public issues and concerns have been reported.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kimberly Reilly reported that she and Tracy Maksel met in December 2011 to discuss strategies for the PAC and PACADA to partner in 2012. Kim reported a discussion took place regarding expanding the NAMI Provider Fair, which is scheduled for May 2012, to include substance abuse. This would be a good source of networking to collect information that is out there.

Rick DeGironimo reported Ocean Resource Net has been disabled. Information will be shared once it is received regarding the Ocean Resource Net website.

Bill Sette from Preferred Behavioral Health reported he was concerned over the utilization of stigmatizing and inappropriate terms during a CBS news report related to a firebombing. The CBS reporter involved made a comment that the police were trying to figure out if the suspect was a criminal or just a “nut case”. A few years back a letter was sent to CBS regarding another inappropriate language. Tracy Maksel stated she would revisit the original correspondence and look into the matter further so the PAC could respond.

ADJOURNMENT

Bill Sette made a motion to adjourn the Professional Advisory Committee at 11:00am. All were in favor of the motion.

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