

## **MENTAL HEALTH RECOVERY SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL**

April 12, 2012

Administrative Center, Room 3220

10:00 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sharon Hampson, Jeanne Stevermer, Vickie Crews, Kyara Tollan, Amy Atchison, Gary Kleinertz, Pam Bendel, Sue Anderson, Mary Dahlby, Jane Latshaw, Kristine Buehler, Shelly Skau, Donna Christianson, Jen Timm, Paul Brown

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Nicole Mooney, Monica Kruse, Dawn Jorstad, Alicia Oliver, Chris Neumeister, Jean Sterling

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Matthew Strittmater, Gail Elland

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jeanne Stevermer called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

### **APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion by Bendel/Anderson to approve the minutes of 03/08/12. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Sue Anderson said how impressed she was last month when she found out that new patients are seen within seven days.

### **WELCOME - INTRODUCTIONS**

Members introduced themselves to the new member.

### **CCS**

Shelly Skau reported she would have the updated Dual Relationships Policy/Practice ready soon and posted on the website.

### **MHRS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING FREQUENCY/AGENDA**

Matt Strittmater reported we are required by statute to meet on at least a quarterly basis. He asked members if they would like to continue meeting monthly or change to bimonthly or quarterly. Everyone agreed the meetings should continue on a monthly basis and to keep the agenda style as is. This will be reviewed after the committee has been meeting for a year.

### **SCENIC BLUFFS COLLABORATION**

Matt Strittmater introduced the collaboration MHRS is doing with Scenic Bluffs in Cashton. There has been both a national and state push to integrate physical health and mental health. This collaboration will work towards this. Jen Timm described how the process would work. This collaboration will allow people to have their physical, mental, and dental needs all met through one system.

### **INTER-COUNTY AGREEMENTS**

Matt Strittmater explained Wisconsin Statute 51.42, which specifies liability for mental health services shall be based on the county of residence, except for emergency services. The county where the emergency occurred is liable for the first 72 hours in emergency situations. More counties are now asking for inter-county agreements be signed, which would put the financial responsibility back on the county of residency. The agreement is on a client-specific need. La Crosse County tries to limit the amount of agreements that are entered into.

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**ITEMS FOR FUTUREAGENDAS**

Next month's topic will include a discussion on the various staff roles that are a part of the initial interview process through the Triage Clinic.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, **MOTION** by Kleinertz/Tollan to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 a.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 10, 2012.

*Approved, 05/10/12, Gail Elland, recorder*