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**STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON MENTAL HEALTH**  
*and Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health*

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August 4, 2022 – 10am-1pm

Attendees:

**Alliant:** Facilitator Lea, Notetaker Tory

**Committee Members:** David Nathan, Michele Maruska, Andrea B Abel (DHS), Alison Wolbeck, Amanda Calmbacher, Amber Maki, Angie Schmitz, Anna Lynn, Brittany Wright, Cecilia Hughes, Claire Courtney, Claudette Larson, Claudia Daml, Corey H, Cynthia Christensen, Dan Porter, Danna Trebesch, Dave Johnson, Dave Lee, Donna Lekander, Elliot Butay, Erin Marrone, Holly Hanson, Jennifer Bertram, Jennifer Springer, Kaley Kobbervig, Kristin Lofgren, Lisa Hoogheem, Liz Harri, Maleenia Mohabir, Melissa Dau, Michael Gallagher, Michael Trangle, Pastor Rozenia Hood Fuller, Rod Peterson, Shanna Langston, Steven L Wilson, Sue Spanhake, Svea McNally, Tom Delaney

## Joint Meeting Agenda

- Welcome, Introduction, and Housekeeping – Alliant Consulting Facilitator, 10:00-10:22am
  - There was no July meeting
  - Standing agenda items to invite members to update the group
  - Agenda (Aug 4) Mary Kjolsing moves, Dave Lee seconds and agenda is approved
    - Welcome, grounding and housekeeping – Alliant Consulting Facilitator, 10:00-10:15am
    - Respectful meeting guidelines
    - Approve today's agenda and June's meeting minutes`
    - Land Acknowledgement – Volunteer
    - Member updates – Members, 10:15-10:30am
    - State Agency Updates – DOC, DHS, MDE, MDH, DEED, others, 10:30-10:50am
    - Fairview/Acadia update: 10:50 – 11:05am
    - Mental Health Legislative Network Updates – Shannah Mulvihill, 11:05-11:15am
    - RFP discussion and updates – Kris Lofgren and Jeff Hunsberger, 11:15 – 12:15am
    - 2022 Governor & Legislature Report Planning 12:15 – 12:30pm
    - Children's Summit Action Plan updates – Ceci Hughes/Lisa Hoogheem, 12:30 – 12:35pm
    - Vote for (SAC) Chair/Vice Chair – AC members only, 12:35-12:40pm
    - Membership Updates – Mikki Maruska, 12:40-12:50pm
    - Other announcements, next steps and closing – Alliant Consulting Facilitator, 12:50-1:00pm
  - Respectful Meeting Guidelines
    - Verbal interruptions during the meeting are not allowed. Please utilize the chat function and "raise hand" feature to engage in the discussion. Appointed members of the Council and Subcommittee will be acknowledged to speak. Open and respectful dialogue is highly encouraged. Fighting words, obscene speech, and true threats are absolutely prohibited. Persons who engage in such prohibited conduct will be given a warning; if the conduct continues, the chat feature will be disabled and/or the person will be removed from the meeting. By remaining in the meeting by WebEx or phone, you are agreeing to follow these guidelines.

- If you want to ask a question:
      - Type your question into the chat box or raise your hand
      - Be sure to say your name before speaking so everyone knows who is talking
    - This meeting is being recorded for notetaking purposes
  - June Notes moved for approval by Michael Trangel and seconded by David Nathan then approved
- Commitment/Land Acknowledgement – Volunteer, 10:23-10:25
  - Read by Claudia Daml
  - We, the members of the State Advisory Council on Mental Health and Subcommittee on Children’s Mental Health, acknowledge that the wealth of this country was built on stolen land and with enslaved and underpaid labor of African American, Native American, and Immigrant people. We acknowledge that the recent global uprising, which was sparked by the murder of George Floyd here in Minnesota, paired with the COVID-19 pandemic, makes for a time of profound uncertainty, shame, fear, and distrust. We also recognize that despite those feelings, we all must actively challenge the impact of our own implicit biases and how they may influence our decisions as individuals and leaders.
  - Furthermore, we recognize that racism also expresses itself in policies and practices that either target or erase BIPOC communities and erect barriers to their prosperity. Therefore, we pledge to be vigilant in monitoring the formulation of policies and practices that produce harm to vulnerable populations. We also commit to being open to other people’s truths as we acknowledge the resilience, creativity and generosity of the human spirit and we hold firmly to a persistence of Hope.
  - With these issues in mind, we commit to dismantling systemic and structural racism by initiating and supporting policies, practices, and the allocation of resources that promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and shared power.
- Member updates – inviting members, 10:25-10:35am
  - Dave Lee: The State Fair
    - State Advisory and Subcommittee for Children’s mental health partner with NAMI
    - Dan Patch Park and Stage takeover August 29<sup>th</sup> -- 10 hours of stage time 10am-6pm
    - Nearly 50 organizations will be present
    - Opening the stage time with the Stonebridge Drum Group from Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
    - Closing the stage time with the Midnight Express Singers and Drummers – many of which are affiliated with the White Earth Nation
    - Dr. Trangle and Al Levin will help emcee the stage
    - Volunteers needed for the booth
      - Alison Wolbeck and Kim Stokes at the table in the morning
      - Angie Schmitz and Beth Pruitt volunteered
      - Afternoon volunteers needed
    - T-shirt design and vender have been chosen but they may not have enough time
      - If NAMI Shirt to be bought on August 29 at the fair
      - \$15 per shirt paid to NAMI
    - (Chat) Alison Wolbeck: The leaders of the state fair group have done an amazing job pulling this all together with the other members. Thanks
    - (Chat) Anna Lynn: Yes I have heard about this on Facebook.
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  - David Nathan: Provider searches are now coming up with ads
    - New organizations called “Caredash” and “Betterhelp” based in Massachusetts

- Have created two websites that are ad-based
    - Website says that a provider does not have an available appointment unless the provider pays to register their profile
    - They do not remove providers from their database even if the provider requests it
  - Maleenia Mohabir
    - Pacer Center Event
    - Symposium on Children’s Mental and Learning Disabilities
      - Keynote speakers in the morning
      - Breakout sessions in the afternoon
      - <https://www.pacer.org/help/symposium/>
  - Elliot Butay with NAMI Minnesota covering for Sue
    - NAMI has a survey open to hear about peoples’ experience in the mental health system
    - This helps NAMI form their legislative goals
    - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DJ3HL5R>
- State Agency Updates – State Agency Representatives, 10:35-10:53am
  - DOC – Shanna Langston (Director of Behavioral Health for DOC)
    - Looking through substance abuse disorder language to work for compliance
    - Update with electronic health records
    - DHS – Amanda Calmbacher (speaking for Jennifer Yang) Behavioral Health Division
      - Used to be part of the community supports division
      - Are now part of the Housing, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Behavioral Health Division
    - Jennifer Yang was interim commissioner and will be going back to her permanent position
    - Currently onboarding Eric Grundl as the new assistant commissioner
    - Neerja Singh was interim division director, returning to permanent position
    - Christine Preston is the new division director
      - This is a temporary assignment
      - She currently oversees program in financial fraud and abuse investigations
      - coming from Office of Inspector General
      - working for the division for up to 6 months
      - has a background at Wilder as well
    - (Chat) Claudia Daml: Thanks for the update -- with all the changes can we make sure this is outlined in the minutes so we can keep track of who is who?
    - Amanda will remain working on the Council mainly working with Mikki Maruska as they work to backfill Abbie’s position
    - Amanda will help coordinate State Fair day
    - Steven Wilson, Andrea Abel, Sue Spanhake, Alliant Consulting (thru November), and Mikki Maruska are supporting this joint committee
    - Abbie’s position is being posted as 1 FTE
    - Kaley Kobbervig will be supporting the council/committee on a temporary basis
      - Helping hire the new person working with the Council
      - She will help support the Council in addition to the support from Mikki Maruska
  - MDE – Tom Delaney
    - Commencing training of the 18<sup>th</sup> Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports training (PBIS) at schools
      - 43% of Minnesota students attend schools that practice PBIS

- Framework of evidence-based practices to be implemented with fidelity and with ongoing evaluation of the effectiveness of PBIS in schools
    - PBISMN.org
  - School Mental Health Conference is planned
    - November 2-4, 2022
    - <https://mn.gov/dhs/slmh/>
- Governor's Children's Cabinet - Brittany Wright
  - Hospital decompression
    - Children are currently boarding in ERs while waiting for care
    - They are working with all people involved in the process to relieve this problem
    - Working on licensing and insurance coverage
      - Young people are facing barriers of coverage and cannot get care because services are not affordable and/or accessible
    - Children's Cabinet is looking for a program coordinator and experiencing transition until that position is filled and the person is onboarded
      - Children's Cabinet Job Opening  
[https://careers.mn.gov/psc/mnjob/MNCAREERS/HRCR/c/HRS\\_HRAM\\_FL.HRS.CG.SEARCH\\_FL.GBL?Page=HRS\\_APP\\_JBPST\\_FL&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1001&JobOpeningId=57427&PostingSeq=1&languageCd=ENG&PortalActualURL=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2fMNCAREERS%2fHRCR%2fc%2fHRS\\_HRAM\\_FL.HRS.CG.SEARCH\\_FL.GBL%3fPage%3dHRS\\_APP\\_JBPST\\_FL%26FOCUS%3dApplicant%26SiteId%3d1001%26JobOpeningId%3d57427%26PostingSeq%3d1%26languageCd%3dENG&PortalRegistryName=MNCAREERS&PortalServletURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalHostNode=HRMS&NoCrumbs=yes&PortalKeyStruct=yes](https://careers.mn.gov/psc/mnjob/MNCAREERS/HRCR/c/HRS_HRAM_FL.HRS.CG.SEARCH_FL.GBL?Page=HRS_APP_JBPST_FL&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1001&JobOpeningId=57427&PostingSeq=1&languageCd=ENG&PortalActualURL=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2fMNCAREERS%2fHRCR%2fc%2fHRS_HRAM_FL.HRS.CG.SEARCH_FL.GBL%3fPage%3dHRS_APP_JBPST_FL%26FOCUS%3dApplicant%26SiteId%3d1001%26JobOpeningId%3d57427%26PostingSeq%3d1%26languageCd%3dENG&PortalRegistryName=MNCAREERS&PortalServletURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalHostNode=HRMS&NoCrumbs=yes&PortalKeyStruct=yes)
- MDH – (Anna Lynn Mental Health Promotion Coordinator)
  - Applied for a grant from the Office of Minority of Health in June
    - To support black youth mental health in Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center
    - To support in a community-based way
      - What policies could positively impact youth mental health?
    - They find out in September if they got the grant
  - MNTHRIVES database
    - Shows initiatives and community-based work occurring throughout the state
    - To help each region learn from each other about what may work
    - <https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/mentalhealth/mnthrives.html>
- DEED – Claire Courtney (Vocational Rehabilitation Services)
  - Summer of Jobs campaign
    - Helping to meet the workforce shortage by introducing companies to people with disabilities
  - Governor's Council on Economic Expansion has presented their final report
    - This group was made up of multiple commissioners throughout the state of Minnesota
    - Minnesota's Moment: A Roadmap for Equitable Economic Expansion
  - DEED Blog link: <https://mn.gov/deed/newscenter/social-media/deed-developments/?id=535828>

- Economic Expansion Report link: [https://mn.gov/deed/assets/governors-council-economic-expansion-roadmap-acc\\_tcm1045-535818.pdf](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/governors-council-economic-expansion-roadmap-acc_tcm1045-535818.pdf)
  - **(Chat) Claire Courtney she/hers MN VRS:** VRS: In late July DEED hosted the third visit in our "Summer of Jobs" campaign in Eagan to highlight hiring People with Disabilities. We also visited the MVTA, to visit a program to help youth with disabilities get paid internships. Dee Torgerson, VRS director, spoke to the opportunities in hiring people with disabilities, and there was broad press coverage of the event. Learn more about the visit on DEED's blog!  
DEED: In July, the Governor's Council on Economic Expansion (GCEE) presented a final report, entitled "Minnesota's Moment: A Roadmap for Equitable Economic Expansion" to Gov. Walz and Lt. Gov. Flanagan. It's an expansive and exciting report – touching many aspects of state government and the Minnesota economy. It calls the state to action at this key inflection point in our economy, setting a bold vision for the state we must become.
- Update/discussion of Fairview/U of M/Acadia proposed mental health hospital in St. Paul: Mary Kjolsing (10:54-11:11am)
  - 144 bed adult and geriatric in St. Paul on the site of the of Bethesda Hospital in St. Paul
    - Proposal has been submitted
    - Commissioner Jan Malcolm for the Department of Health will grant or deny this proposal
    - Public meeting in July about this proposal
  - Mary's four main concerns
    - The facility would not be eligible for Medicaid MA Reimbursement
      - Fairview and Acadia are adamant that this will not affect accessibility
      - In order to be Medicare eligible, must be evaluated by psychiatrist within 48 hours
    - Accessibility could be challenging with Acadia being a for-profit company
      - Acadia would own 85% of the partnership and they are a for-profit company
      - M Health Fairview would own 15% of the partnership
    - The staffing make-up of the facility would be mid-level practitioners
      - They are advertising it as top caregivers
    - No 24-hour emergency room
      - Patients would be transferred to this hospital
      - Transferring patients is quite a challenge; creating a facility that would make this worse is not the answer
  - Letter to Jan Malcolm voicing concerns shared with group (see below) (edit by member Rod) – not directly pointed at that specific Acadia/M Health Fairview Project
    - Lack of beds and funding are two main concerns of Rod

The Minnesota State Advisory Council on Mental Health acknowledges the exigency for better access to inpatient beds across the state. We strongly encourage and support all endeavors to improve this situation. Such improvement include; the establishment of new programs and/or facilities, the expansion of existing programs and the activation of beds not currently in use. Our plea is for services which meet the needs of the people who require them most. Accordingly, the wisdom of the advisory council makes the following recommendations;

- The conducive physical environment is very important for effective therapy including areas for privacy, natural lighting, safe and accessible outdoor spaces, and areas for a variety of therapies.
- Beds are needed for clients who are publicly funded. Over 50% of psychiatric care is paid for by Medicare/MA/Mn Care etc. Patients with mental illness are the most ill and many times have the least resources. Therefore long-term funding is needed to ensure ample numbers beds are available to fit the needs of the day.
- The program staffing should reflect the diversity of the populations served as well as meet the community standard for the mix of professionals such as Psychiatrists, Physicians, Psychologists, Mid-level Practitioners, Nurses, Therapists, etc to meet the needs of the patients. Many patients with mental illness have complex medical problems that need to be addressed.
- Access to care needs to be efficient and streamlined. The goal should be to have as many services as possible available at one location. One of the weaknesses in our current system is the need to transfer patients between facilities to secure a bed or provide medical care when needed. A 24 hour entry point (Emergency Room) is necessary to provide patient access.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

- Council are working to get a one-on-one meeting with Commissioner Jan Malcolm
- In the State of Minnesota to get a claim paid by MA the patient must have been admitted by a physician
  - There are ways around this
  - There are many acute care clients that are staffed with Nurse Practitioners (NP)
  - Have a primary care physician be the admitting physician but have the care provided by a mid-level practitioner
  - Every person admitted needs to be evaluated by a psychiatrist within 48 hours
  - 50-60% of patients are state-funded patients
- There is a faction of people that say there are enough beds operating due to staff shortages
- Need more beds where people live rather than 4 hours from their houses
- Mainly worried about not enough beds and not enough funding
- Dave moved to bring this letter to a meeting with Jan Malcolm up to a vote
  - Cici seconded
  - 15 votes in support
  - No one opposed the motion
  - The letter did not pass a simple majority vote
- (Chat) Claudia Daml: Thank you for looking into this Mary.
- (Chat) Mary Kjolsing: [mfizz5084@gmail.com](mailto:mfizz5084@gmail.com)
- (Chat) Anna Lynn: MN Thrives database- please check it out! :)  
<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/mentalhealth/mnthrives.html>
- (Chat) Claudia Daml: Yes, so basically this may exclude individuals who do not have financial resources, not equitable.
- (Chat) Alison Wolbeck: How do we find out exactly how many beds are sitting empty because of staffing or other issues?

- (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: GOOD IDEA
- RFP discussion and updates – Kris Lofgren and Jeff Hunsberger, 11:11- 11:23am
  - In 2021 there were revisions to the substance use services as a part of school-linked Behavioral Health
  - Reviewed a block grant for substance use services in schools
  - RFP going out to eligible responders
    - Licensed providers of substance use disorder treatments will respond to this RFP
    - Possible responses from new types of providers
    - Providers respond with a school district
  - Informational webinar was done in April
    - What is this design?
    - What are the rules and regulations?
  - Sober schools could not apply without a suitable provider linked to their proposal
  - Next steps:
    - RFP will be issued soon
    - There will be time for questions/comments related to the RFP
    - David Lee asks that future RFPs involving mental health come to this Council during development for input
  - <https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/grants-rfps/open-rfps/>
  - (Chat) Lisa Hoogheem she/her: Are these joint applications with schools? Answered: yes
  - (Chat) Kristin Lofgren: <https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/grants-rfps/open-rfps/>
  - (Chat) Jennifer Bertram: Separately, some of us participated in a proposal review for a project management contract that resulted in a decision to revise the RFP and reissue it to seek a new round of applicants. The team will bring the revised RFP before our group before publication.
- Mental Health Legislative Network Updates – Elliot Butay/NAMI rep, 11:24-11:28am
  - Retreat planned next week on Tuesday for 2023 legislative session
    - 51 retirements announced last session so the group of people will be different
    - Working to develop bills for the legislature that have an organized structure to help the group reach their goals
- 2022 Governor & Legislature Report Planning, 11:29-11:52am
  - Timeline:
    - January-March/April 2022: Workgroups draft recommendations
    - 6/2/2022 Council and Subcommittee members approve draft recommendations
    - June 2022 survey all members for approval of recommendations
    - June 2022 wordsmith recommendations, make it “pretty” and usable – Eren Sutherland **to write executive summary and edit final document**
    - July 2022 plan action steps and responsibilities for championing recommendations
    - August 2022 report to the printer
    - Report due to Governor 10/15/2022
    - Report due to chairs of legislative policy committees 11/15/2022
  - Discussion of recommendations pending
    - None mentioned
  - Overview of all recommendations previously approved
    - Reviewed document and list of recommendations
  - DEIJ Audit – Dr. B – need to check these edits with full council
    - Two workgroups are still waiting on DEIJ edit suggestions (Mental Health in Schools and
  - Review LAC section for final edits

- Including Dr. B DEIJ edits
- “... at least \$1,000 of funding for each county for an adult LAC and for a children’s LAC” to be included in draft
- Michael points out one main update of this recommendation is to expand beyond state hospitals to include a wider variety of facilities
- (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: I STRONGLY AGREE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS THANKS ALLISON
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- Recommendations to be included, voted on and approved by a simple majority
- Content to be sent out for review and each work group can respond with their edits by a certain date
- (Chat) Michael Trangle: Use this email address for communications regarding report: MN\_DHS\_MHAdvisory Council <mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us>
- Lea asks for updates from each workgroup on attendees, regularity of meetings and comfort with final legislative recommendations
  - Family Systems workgroup – Anna Lynn Chair reports out
    - Membership is variable
    - Could use a membership boost
    - Had one small DEI edit and hopes that has been incorporated
  - Integrated Care and Access workgroup – Michael Trangle Chair reporting
    - Have sent their recommendations in
    - Have 58 members that meet on a regular basis (monthly)
    - All recommendations have been approved by full Council
    - All DEI edits were sent to Mikki for updating
    - Michael gives thanks to Dr B for all her work and input
    - (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: THANKS DR B. EXCELLENT WORK ALWAYS RELEVANT AND TIMELY
  - LAC (Local Advisory Council) workgroup – Alison Wolbeck gave update
    - Only one consistent attendee in workgroup
    - Chair only just returning to meetings
    - Need more members to develop and review recommendations
    - Dave Johnson signed up for LAC workgroup
  - Mental Health and Juvenile Justice – Cici Hughes Chair
    - Meeting regularly with 6 people that attend frequently
    - There have been some retirees this year so more members would be helpful
    - Have completed edits for the DEI recommendations
  - Mental Health in Schools – Lisa Hoogheem Chair
    - Last meeting was cancelled
    - Consistently 4 or 5 people that attend
    - Want to incorporate DEI recommendations from Dr. B – still waiting on recommendations
  - Outreach and Cultural Diversity workgroup
    - No members present to report out
  - Recovery Supports workgroup – Angie Schmitz reports out
    - Making sure they have everything in their draft recommendations they want
    - Waiting to incorporate DEI recommendations in their draft



- Meeting once a month with five or six attendees
    - Typically only two or three members that are not DHS people
  - Consistently meeting has been a challenge
  - More members welcome
- (Chat) Claudia Daml: I would like to advocate to get moving on our publication process and also trust committee leads to have added the recommended DEI edits..
- (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: I SECOND THAT MOTION
- Workgroup chairs please compare information in current report with what they sent to Abbie
  
- (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: I AM GOING TO TRUST THE COMMITTEE LEADS ON ALL RECOMMENDED EDITS
  
- Children’s Summit Action Plan updates – Cici Hughes/Lisa Hoogheem, 11:53-11:54am
  - Explored gaps in Minnesota’s current continuum of care
  - Identified new approaches to build the road to health and resiliency for children
  - Created immediate, actionable solutions for the urgent problems facing the behavioral health system of care for Minnesota’s young people
  - Found solutions that will help assure all children have access to behavioral health care at a level of care appropriate for their needs
  - <https://mn.gov/dhs/general-public/about-dhs/public-participation/childrens-summit.jsp>
  - Lisa and Cici are waiting to be invited to action meetings by Neerja
- Vote for (SAC) Chair/Vice Chair – Alliant Consulting Facilitator, 11:55am-12pm (only AC members vote)
  - Lea called for additional nominations and reviewed responsibilities of Chair and Vice Chair
  - Alison Wolbeck moved that both nominees be accepted in one vote; Rod Peterson seconds
  - Michael Trangle and Claudia Daml voted in with simple majority as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively
  - (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: GREAT CHOICES
  - (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: DAVE LEE IS THE BOMB
  - (Chat) Claudia Daml: agreed:)
  - (Chat) Jennifer Bertram: Thank you for your willingness to lead this group. I trust that you will both provide us with effective leadership and will listen and carefully consider input from members of the committee and subcommittee.
- Membership Updates: – Mikki Maruska, 12-12:05pm
  - Membership renewals are about to take place
  - All members are required to sit on one workgroup
  - Governor’s Office is currently finalizing appointments for the following Council seats:
    - Family Physician
    - American Indian Mental Health Advisory Council
    - (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: PLEASE CLARIFY NATIVE AMERICAN POSITION ON COUNCIL
  - Applicants for the Subcommittee vacancies have been reviewed and recommended:
    - County Social Service Rep
    - Local Corrections Department
    - People who know the needs of Minorities and Cultures
    - Former Consumer of Child/Adolescent Mental Health Services
  - If your term expires in January 2023, you received an email from [mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us](mailto:mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us) with instructions on how to reapply

- Do not worry if it says that seat does not have a current opening, the system will accept your application
    - Be sure to complete the supplemental questionnaire and the online application on the [Boards & Commissions website](#)
  - (Chat) Claudia Daml: I have really enjoyed being a part of this group and truly believe that our voices and action can make a significant difference for those within the mental health community.
- September meeting topics (Lea, Facilitator)
  - Member discussion in regard to ABA therapy 12:06-12:14pm
    - X notes not wanting this Council to sanction or promote ABA; has negative experience with ABA
    - (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: ABA?
    - (Chat) Jennifer Bertram: Applied Behavioral Analysis that is used in working with children with Autism
    - X from DHS notes some attributes of ABA
    - Lea mentions the group previous wanted speakers “on both sides” of ABA
    - Michael reminds group this is to inform group of this mental health topic, not to take sides or sanction
    - (Chat) Jennifer Bertram: I did not bring this topic up originally. There was an offer from someone at DHS to speak about ABA at a previous meeting, and I asked that if that was going to be offered, I wanted a member of the community to share information about why there is a growing community that rejects it. I do think this topic is very applicable to this group, and it affects many people whose diagnosis includes autism but also anxiety, depression, PTSD, and other diagnoses.
    - (Chat) Jennifer Bertram: The same person who developed conversion therapy also developed ABA
    - (Chat) Amber Maki: To the Applied Behavior Analysis discussion. I don't think this is the place for a platform for defending an established field of science and one that - to my knowledge - has no affiliation with conversion therapy. I believe the practices used in conversion therapy were applied by other social science professionals.
    - (Chat) from Alison Wolbeck to everyone: 11:15 AM Just to play devils advocate. Wasn't bleeding considered an established field of science at one time?
    - (Chat) Jennifer Bertram: <https://nsadvocate.org/2018/07/11/treating-autism-as-a-problem-the-connection-between-gay-conversion-therapy-and-aba/>
  - Legislative report final recommendation review/approval in time to go to printer
  - Future topic consideration: Rural MH Conference representatives speaking to group
  - Alliant submit transition plan before leaving end of November
  - (Chat) Donna Lekander: have DHS discuss DHS Bulletin #22-68-07
  - (Chat) Dave Lee: MDH has a point person for 988.
    - (Chat) Melissa Dau:
    - Emily Yang Lindeman (she/her/hers)  
Suicide Prevention Coordinator | IVPS | MDH  
Office: 651-201-4249  
Emily.Yang@state.mn.us
    - (Chat) Melissa Dau: Contact for 988 update
    - (Chat) Maleenia Mohabir: Is there information available about qualifications those answering 988calls?

- (Chat) Melissa Dau:  
<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/suicide/mnresponse/988.html>
- (Chat) PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER: CAN WE HAVE STATE FAIR UPDATE FOR SEPT MEETING
  - (Chat) Dave Lee: Yes! We will have a Mental Awareness at the Minnesota State Fair event update for the September meeting!

Other announcements, next steps and closing – Alliant Consulting Facilitator, 12:15-12:21pm

- Feel free to email [mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us](mailto:mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us) with any comments, questions, or concerns
- Submit workgroup meeting notes to [mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us](mailto:mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us) by end of day 8/19/2022
- Submit meeting invoices to [mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us](mailto:mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us) as soon as possible; remember you can submit invoices for workgroup meetings
  - If unable to sign invoice, include the following in body of email:
  - I hereby certify that the services and/or expenses listed on my invoice have been rendered or incurred, are correct and just and that payment has not already been received.
  - Please reach out if you have questions about invoices
  - All invoices must be submitted electronically – cannot process invoices mailed/faxed to the office

## Next Meeting:

Date: September 1, 2022  
 Time: 10:00am-1:00pm  
 Location: WebEx

## Next Steps:

- Members: contact David Lee to volunteer for State Fair booth (especially needed in afternoon)
- Members: Submit written updates from your Agency/Organization/Community about current mental health activities by 9am on the day of Council and Subcommittee meetings. These written updates will be included in meeting minutes.
- Dave Johnson: volunteered to attend LAC workgroup and needs to be included in meeting invites (notify Andrea Able)
- Dr. Bravada: send DEIJ recommendations to Mental Health in the Schools and Recovery Supports workgroups
- All workgroup Chairs: compare information in current report with what they originally sent to Abbie and send changes to Mikki ASAP to keep to timeline for report printing and submission
- Members: please consider which workgroup you are participating in; all members are required to participate in one workgroup
- Members renewing in January: Be sure to complete the supplemental questionnaire and the online application on the [Boards & Commissions website by November](#)
- DHS RFP contacts: provide community output on RFPs, instructions on how to complete (including direction for those involving MH issues to come to this group in development for input), and resources for community members to complete RFPs successfully
- Alliant: provide transition plan prior to end of contract in November
- Workgroup chairs: Submit workgroup meeting notes to [mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us](mailto:mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us) by end of day 8/19/2022

- All members: Submit meeting invoices to [mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us](mailto:mhadvisory.council.dhs@state.mn.us) as soon as possible; remember you can submit invoices for workgroup meetings

Events/Links to note:

- Pacer Center Event: <https://www.pacer.org/help/symposium/>
- NAMI survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DJ3HL5R>
- School Mental Health Conference Nov 2-4: <https://mn.gov/dhs/slmh/>
- Children's Cabinet Program Coordinator:  
[https://careers.mn.gov/psc/mnjob/MNCAREERS/HRCR/c/HRS\\_HRAM\\_FL.HRS\\_CG\\_SEARCH\\_FL.GBL?Page=HRS\\_APP\\_JBPST\\_FL&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1001&JobOpeningId=57427&PostingSeq=1&languageCd=ENG&PortalActualURL=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2fMNCAREERS%2fHRCR%2fc%2fHRS\\_HRAM\\_FL.HRS\\_CG\\_SEARCH\\_FL.GBL%3fPage%3dHRS\\_APP\\_JBPST\\_FL%26FOCUS%3dApplicant%26SiteId%3d1001%26JobOpeningId%3d57427%26PostingSeq%3d1%26languageCd%3dENG&PortalRegistryName=MNCAREERS&PortalServletURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalHostNode=HRMS&NoCrumbs=yes&PortalKeyStructure=yes](https://careers.mn.gov/psc/mnjob/MNCAREERS/HRCR/c/HRS_HRAM_FL.HRS_CG_SEARCH_FL.GBL?Page=HRS_APP_JBPST_FL&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1001&JobOpeningId=57427&PostingSeq=1&languageCd=ENG&PortalActualURL=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2fMNCAREERS%2fHRCR%2fc%2fHRS_HRAM_FL.HRS_CG_SEARCH_FL.GBL%3fPage%3dHRS_APP_JBPST_FL%26FOCUS%3dApplicant%26SiteId%3d1001%26JobOpeningId%3d57427%26PostingSeq%3d1%26languageCd%3dENG&PortalRegistryName=MNCAREERS&PortalServletURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalURI=https%3a%2f%2fcareers.mn.gov%2fpsc%2fmnjob%2f&PortalHostNode=HRMS&NoCrumbs=yes&PortalKeyStructure=yes)
- DEED Blog link: <https://mn.gov/deed/newscenter/social-media/deed-developments/?id=535828>
- Economic Expansion Report link: [https://mn.gov/deed/assets/governors-council-economic-expansion-roadmap-acc\\_tcm1045-535818.pdf](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/governors-council-economic-expansion-roadmap-acc_tcm1045-535818.pdf)

## Chat

**PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER:** DR TRIANGLE PLEASE ADD MY NAME FOR THE RETREAT

PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER MDIV, LEAD PASTOR GEORGE FLOYD SQUARE MEMORIAL. THANKS.

SENT YOU EMAIL PLEASE RESPOND TO THE EMAIL THANKS. PEACE AND BLESSINGS

**PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER:** NEED HELP WITH THAT

**PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER:** DAVE LEA PLEASE EMAIL STATE FAIR INFO TO ME TODAY PLEASE THANKS. PLEASE INCLUDE ME ON YOUR EMAIL . FOR THIS EVENT. PEACE AND BLESSINGS

**Jennifer Bertram:** I think that would be helpful.

**Elliot Butay they/them:** Eren uses they/them pronouns fyi!

**PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER:** SHANNAH I AM INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE RETREAT

rozeniafullergoodnews@gmail.com

**Maleenia Mohabir:** Thanks!

**Shannah Mulvihill:** I have a 12:30 meeting, so I'm jumping off the call. Look forward to seeing you at the fair!!

**PASTOR ROZENIA HOOD FULLER:** CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS. WONDERFUL AND BLESSINGS

**Michele Maruska:** Thank you Lea! You are fabulous.